

NATIONAL AUSTRALIA GROUP EUROPE INVESTMENTS LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NATIONAL AUSTRALIA GROUP EUROPE INVESTMENTS LIMITED
Year ended 30 September 2013

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NATIONAL AUSTRALIA GROUP EUROPE INVESTMENTS LIMITED

Year ended 30 September 2013

Officers and Professional Advisers

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Secretary

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NATIONAL AUSTRALIA GROUP EUROPE INVESTMENTS LIMITED

Year ended 30 September 2013

Strategic report

The directors of National Australia Group Europe Investments Limited (the "Company") present their Strategic Report for the year ended 30 September 2013.

Principal activities

The Company operates as an investment holding company. The Company also leases information technology premises from Clydesdale Bank PLC at Clydesdale Business Bank and sub-leases these premises to National Australia Group Europe Services Limited, a fellow subsidiary of National Australia Group Europe Limited.

Business review

The Company continues to act as an investment company with holdings in controlled entities.

NAGEO B.V. made a £151,225,000 distribution from its ordinary share premium account reserve to the Company on 30 April 2013.

National Australia Group Europe Finance B.V. made a £89,774,955 distribution from its ordinary share premium account reserve and a £250,000,000 distribution from its preference share premium account reserve to the Company on 30 April 2013.

On 17 September 2013 a share capital reduction of £3,179,661,720 for the Company was approved, in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, by way of a special resolution passed by its immediate parent National Australia Group Europe Limited. The reduction of capital, supported by directors' solvency statement, was repaid to the immediate parent on 20 September 2013 and subsequently registered with Companies House on 23 September 2013.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The principal risk and uncertainties to the Company are outlined below. The Company does not expect any significant changes in the future. Further detail on the Company's approach to the management of risk can be found in the risk overview note 14.

Operational risk and compliance

Operational risk is the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed processes, people or systems, or from external events. This includes risk relating to the management of ongoing activities, as well as to organisational changes such as project and change initiatives.

The NAB Group is committed to sound risk management and compliance and continues to improve its capabilities in these areas.

Credit risk

Credit risk is the potential that a borrower or a counterparty will fail to meet its obligations in accordance with agreed terms. NAB places limits around the amount of risk accepted to one borrower, which are monitored on a frequent basis.

Given the majority of balances are with related entities the credit risk is deemed to be minimal.


Interest rate risk

The Company exposure to interest rate risk is in relation to the reset of interest receivable on assets.

Key Performance Indicators

The directors do not rely on any key performance indicators (KPI's) at the Company level to monitor performance. The nature of the business means it is more relevant to undertake a review of the KPI's at the National Australia Bank Limited "NAB" Group level.

The Strategic Report was approved by the board of directors on 8 May 2014 and was signed on its behalf by:



D. Rawson
Director

NATIONAL AUSTRALIA GROUP EUROPE INVESTMENTS LIMITED

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Report of the Directors

The directors of National Australia Group Europe Investments Limited (the "Company") submit their report and Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2013. The Company is registered in Scotland with registration number SC80960.

Profits and appropriations

The profit attributable to the shareholders for the year ended 30 September 2013 amounted to £14,440,000 (2012: £21,374,000). Interim dividends totalling £18,349,000 (2012: £31,806,000) were paid during the year. The directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend in respect of this financial year (2012: £nil)

Going Concern

The directors consider the going concern basis of preparation of the Financial Statements to be appropriate. The Company has generated satisfactory profits and has an adequate capital base for the Company to continue in operation for at least the next 12 months from the date of approval of the Financial Statements. There are no events or conditions that exist that cast any doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Directors and directors' interests

The names of the current directors are listed on page 2.

There have been the following changes of directorships during the year and up to the date of signing of the Financial Statements:

J. Duffy (resigned 10 April 2014)

Directors' interests

As the Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of NAB, which is incorporated in Australia, any interest which the directors may have in NAB does not need to be notified to the Company so is not disclosed in this report. No director had any interest in the shares or debentures of the Company.

Directors' liabilities

During the year the NAB Group paid a premium for a contract insuring the directors and officers of NAB, its subsidiaries and controlled entities against personal liabilities which may arise in the course of the performance of their duties, as well as protecting the NAB Group itself to the extent that it is obliged to indemnify directors and officers for such liability.

Directors' remuneration

The directors of the Company are remunerated as employees of the ultimate parent company NAB, and do not receive incremental remuneration in respect of their duties as directors of the Company. As there has been no substantial new activity in the year requiring executive input, the directors believe it would be inappropriate to apportion part of their remuneration as being in respect of their duties to the Company.

Employee Involvement

The Company does not have any employees (2012: nil). All staff are provided by the ultimate parent company, NAB.

Company secretary

The current company secretary is shown on page 2.

Political donations

No political donations were made during the year (2012: £nil).

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Report of the Directors (continued)

Corporate Governance

It is the Company's policy not to include all of the disclosures in respect of voluntary Corporate Governance Codes of Practice as it is a wholly owned subsidiary of NAB. The NAB Group's Annual Financial Report details the corporate governance framework applicable to the Company. These disclosures are made after consideration of authoritative pronouncements on audit committees and associated disclosures in Australia, the USA and UK.

Events since the reporting date

On 31 October 2013 NAGEO B.V., a subsidiary of the Company was deregistered.

On 31 October 2013 National Australia Group Europe Finance B.V., a subsidiary of the Company was deregistered.

On 5 March 2014 Ariodante Limited, a subsidiary of the Company was dissolved.

On 5 May 2014 P.F.A. (UK) Limited, a subsidiary of the Company was dissolved.

On 5 May 2014 National Australia Group Europe Asset Investments Limited, a subsidiary of the Company was dissolved.

Auditors

In accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006 a resolution to reappoint Ernst and Young LLP will be proposed at the next meeting of the board of directors.

Directors' statement as to disclosure of information to auditors

The directors who were members of the board at the time of approving the directors' report are listed on page 2. Having made enquiries of fellow directors and of the Company's auditors, each of these directors confirms that:

- to the best of each director's knowledge and belief, there is no information relevant to the preparation of their report of which the Company's auditors are unaware; and
- Each director has taken all the steps a director might reasonably be expected to have taken to be aware of relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

By order of the board



B. Carr
Director

8 May 2014

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the directors' report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and those International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union (EU).

Company law requires the directors to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union (EU). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and the profit and loss of the Company for that period.

In preparing these financial statements the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies in accordance with *IAS 8: Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors* and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the Company has complied with IFRSs, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of National Australia Group Europe Investments Limited

We have audited the Financial Statements of National Australia Group Europe Investments Limited for the year ended 30 September 2013 which comprise the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows and the related notes 1 to 14. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union.

This report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page 6, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the Financial Statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the Financial Statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the Financial Statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the Financial Statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the Financial Statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Directors' report and Financial Statements of the Company to identify material inconsistencies with the audited Financial Statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on Financial Statements

In our opinion the Financial Statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 30 September 2013 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the European Union; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Strategic Report and Directors' Report for the financial year for which the Financial Statements are prepared is consistent with the Financial Statements.

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of National Australia Group Europe Investments Limited (continued)

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, by the Company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the Company's Financial Statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Ernst & Young LLP

Javier Faiz (Senior statutory auditor)
for and on behalf of Ernst & Young LLP, Statutory Auditor
London

14 MAY 2014

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Statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 30 September 2013

	Note	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Interest income	3	15,170	26,318
Interest expense	13	-	(643)
Dividend income	4	3,720	4,275
Loss on share sale	5	-	(2,607)
Other income		-	2
		<hr/> 18,890	<hr/> 27,345
Other expenses	6	(282)	(275)
Profit on ordinary activities before tax		<hr/> 18,608	<hr/> 27,070
Tax expense	7	(4,168)	(5,696)
Profit for the year		<hr/> 14,440	<hr/> 21,374
Other comprehensive income			
Revaluation reserve gain		-	3,065
Total comprehensive profit for the year		<hr/> 14,440	<hr/> 24,439

All items dealt with in arriving at the profit before tax for 2013 and 2012 relate to continuing operations.

Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 30 September 2013

	Share capital £'000	Retained earnings £'000	Other reserves £'000	Total shareholders' equity £'000
Balance at 1 October 2011	3,189,662	14,542	(3,065)	3,201,139
Total comprehensive profit	-	21,374	3,065	24,439
Dividends paid	-	(31,806)	-	(31,806)
Balance at 30 September 2012	<hr/> 3,189,662	<hr/> 4,110	<hr/> -	<hr/> 3,193,772
Capital reduction	(3,179,662)	-	-	(3,179,662)
Total comprehensive profit	-	14,440	-	14,440
Dividends paid	-	(18,349)	-	(18,349)
Balance at 30 September 2013	<hr/> 10,000	<hr/> 201	<hr/> -	<hr/> 10,201

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Statement of financial position as at 30 September 2013

	Note	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Non-current assets			
Investment in controlled entities	9	632	491,625
Deferred tax asset	10	-	669
		<u>632</u>	<u>492,294</u>
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	13	97	200
Due from related entities	13	10,590	2,705,432
Other assets		37	39
		<u>10,724</u>	<u>2,705,671</u>
Total assets		<u>11,356</u>	<u>3,197,965</u>
Current liabilities			
Due to related entities	13	676	715
Other liabilities	11	479	3,478
		<u>1,155</u>	<u>4,193</u>
Total liabilities		<u>1,155</u>	<u>4,193</u>
Net assets		<u>10,201</u>	<u>3,193,772</u>
Shareholders' equity			
Share capital	12	10,000	3,189,662
Retained earnings		201	4,110
		<u>10,201</u>	<u>3,193,772</u>
Total shareholders' equity		<u>10,201</u>	<u>3,193,772</u>

The Financial Statements were approved by the directors on 8 May 2014 and were signed on their behalf by:


B. Carr
Director

NATIONAL AUSTRALIA GROUP EUROPE INVESTMENTS LIMITED

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Statement of cash flows for the year ended 30 September 2013

	Note	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit before taxation		18,608	27,070
<i>Adjustments for non cash movements:</i>			
Interest income		609	665
Dividend income		-	259
Other expenses		5	56
Loss/(profit) on share sale		-	2,607
		<u>19,222</u>	<u>30,657</u>
Decrease/(increase) in loans to related entities		2,694,226	(42,440)
VAT received		4	-
Tax paid		<u>(6,501)</u>	<u>(1,687)</u>
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		<u>2,706,951</u>	<u>(13,470)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Repayment of investment from subsidiary undertaking		491,000	103,100
Shares sold		-	7,712
Warrants sold		-	166
Net cash provided by investing activities		<u>491,000</u>	<u>110,978</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of share capital		(3,179,662)	-
Dividends paid		(18,349)	(31,806)
Decrease in borrowings from related entities		<u>(43)</u>	<u>(65,700)</u>
Net cash used in financing activities		<u>(3,198,054)</u>	<u>(97,506)</u>
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		<u>(103)</u>	<u>2</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		200	198
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	13	<u>97</u>	<u>200</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements

1) Authorisation of Financial Statements and statement of compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards

The Financial Statements of National Australia Group Europe Investments Limited ("the Company") for the year ended 30 September 2013 were authorised for issue by the directors on 8 May 2014 and the statement of financial position was signed on their behalf by B. Carr.

The Company is incorporated in the UK and registered in Scotland.

The ultimate parent undertaking is National Australia Bank Limited ("NAB"), a company incorporated in the State of Victoria, Australia. This company also heads the largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated. The smallest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by National Australia Group Europe Limited which is incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England & Wales.

Copies of group accounts prepared in respect of National Australia Group Europe Limited may be obtained from the Company Secretary at 88 Wood Street, London, EC2V 7QQ. Copies of the group accounts prepared in respect of NAB may be obtained from National Australia Bank Limited (London Branch), 88 Wood Street, London EC2V 7QQ.

The Financial Statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union and as applied in accordance with the Companies Act 2006. The principal accounting policies adopted by the Company are set out in Note 2.

2) Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The preparation of Financial Statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities. Assumptions made at each reporting date are based on best estimates at that date. Although the Company has internal control systems in place to ensure that estimates can be reliably measured, actual amounts may differ from those estimates. It is not anticipated that such differences would be material.

The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the application of fair value measurements as required by the relevant accounting standards.

Accounting developments

(a) New and amended standards adopted by the Company

There are no IFRSs, IFRIC interpretations or any amended standards that are effective for the first time for the financial year beginning 1 October 2012 that have a material impact on the Company.

(b) Standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards that are not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Company:

- IFRS 9 (new standard) "Financial instruments" (effective from 1 January 2015) addresses the classification, measurement and recognition of financial assets and financial liabilities. IFRS 9 requires financial assets to be classified into two measurement categories: those measured at fair value and those measured at amortised cost. The classification depends on the entity's business model for managing its financial instruments and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the instrument. For financial liabilities, the standard retains most of the IAS 39 requirements. The main change is that, in cases where the fair value option is taken for financial liabilities, the part of a fair value change due to an entity's own credit risk is recorded as a component of 'other comprehensive income'.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

2) Accounting policies (continued)

Accounting developments (Continued)

- IFRS 12 (new standard) *"Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities"* (effective from 1 January 2013) includes all of the disclosures that were previously in IAS 27 related to consolidated financial statements, as well as all of the disclosures that were previously included in IAS 31 and IAS 28. These disclosures relate to an entity's interests in subsidiaries, joint arrangements, associates and structured entities. A number of new disclosures are also required.

There are no other new standards or amendments to existing standards not yet effective that are considered relevant to the Company.

Functional and presentational currency

The Financial Statements are presented in pounds sterling, which is the Company's functional and presentational currency. All amounts are expressed in pounds sterling and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand pounds unless otherwise stated.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and at bank.

Exemption from consolidation

The Company has interests in subsidiary companies but has taken advantage of the exemption from consolidation under the Companies Act 2006 section 401, because the Company is included in non-EEA group consolidated accounts of the ultimate parent NAB.

Investment in controlled entities

Investments in controlled entities are stated at original cost, and are written down to a recoverable amount where their carrying value exceeds recoverable amount. Investments in controlled entities are tested on an annual basis for impairment, and additionally whenever an indication of impairment exists. Any decrement in the carrying value is recognised as an expense in the statement of comprehensive income in the reporting period in which the impairment loss occurs.

Interest income

Interest income is reflected in the statement of comprehensive income using the effective interest method. The effective interest rate method is a method of calculating amortisation using the effective interest rate of a financial instrument. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated stream of future cash payments or receipts over the expected life of the financial instruments or, when appropriate, a shorter period to the net carrying amount of the financial instrument.

Related party transactions

The Company enters into a number of related party transactions including receiving and providing funding to other NAB Group companies accounted for as loans and receivables. Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are not classed as 'available for sale' or designated at fair value through profit and loss. Loans and receivables are recorded at amortised cost using the effective interest method, adjusted for impairment losses and unearned income. They are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flow have expired or transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

2) Accounting policies (continued)

Dividends

Dividend income is recorded in the statement of comprehensive income on an accruals basis when the Company's right to receive the dividend is established. Dividend expense is recorded when the Company has the obligation to pay the dividend.

Leases

Operating lease income and expense is recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term even if the receipts are not on such a basis unless another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which use benefit derived from the leased asset is diminished.

Current and deferred income tax

The tax expense for the year comprises current tax. Tax is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

The current tax charge is calculated on the taxable income for the year and on the basis of the tax laws enacted or substantively enacted at 30 September 2013.

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. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the taxable entity or different taxable entities where there is an intention to settle the balances on a net basis.

Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity.

3) Interest income

	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Interest income from related entities	14,907	26,055
Interest on sub-lease to fellow subsidiary	263	263
	<u>15,170</u>	<u>26,318</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

4) Dividend income

	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
<i>Related entities</i>		
National Australia Group Europe Finance B.V	1,730	2,400
NAGEO B.V	1,472	1,000
P.F.A (UK) Limited	-	875
NAGEAIL	518	-
	<u>3,720</u>	<u>4,275</u>

5) Loss on share sale

	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Loss on sale of shares	-	(2,607)
	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,607)</u>

In the prior year in November 2011 1,560,045 Phoenix shares were sold with the Company receiving net proceeds of £7,709,433 which resulted in a loss on sale for the shares of £2,607,242.

6) Other expenses

	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Rental of premises under operating lease	219	219
Sundry expenses	63	56
	<u>282</u>	<u>275</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

7) Income tax expense

a) Analysis of charge in the year

	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Current tax		
Corporation tax payable at 23.5% (2012: 25%)	(3,499)	(6,365)
- Current Year	<u>(3,499)</u>	<u>(6,365)</u>
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of temporary timing differences		
- Current year (note 10)	<u>(669)</u>	<u>669</u>
	<u>(669)</u>	<u>669</u>
Income tax expense reported in the statement of comprehensive income	<u>(4,168)</u>	<u>(5,696)</u>

b) Factors affecting tax charge for the year

	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Profit before tax	18,608	27,070
Profit multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 23.5% (2012: 25%)	<u>(4,373)</u>	<u>(6,768)</u>
Effects of:		
Amounts not subject to tax	874	1,130
Tax rate change	-	(58)
De-recognition of deferred tax on capital losses carried forward	(669)	-
Total income tax charge for the year	<u>(4,168)</u>	<u>(5,696)</u>

8) Dividends paid

	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Equity interim ordinary dividends paid £0.006 per share (2012: £0.010 per share)	<u>18,349</u>	<u>31,806</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

9) Investment in controlled entities

	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
At 30 September	632	491,625

Name of subsidiary	Activity	Country of Incorporation	Class of holding	Holding
NAGEO B.V.	Investment Holding Company	Netherlands	Ordinary	100%
National Australia Group Europe Finance B.V.	Investment Holding Company	Netherlands	Ordinary Preference	100% 100%
P.F.A. (UK) Limited	Investment Holding Company	Cayman Islands	A1 Ordinary A2 Ordinary	100% 100%
NAGEAIL	Investment Holding Company	Cayman Islands	Ordinary	100%

10) Deferred tax asset

	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Opening balance	669	-
Tax expense recognised in statement of comprehensive income (Note 7)	(669)	669
Closing balance	-	669

The Finance Bill 2013 was substantively enacted on 17 July 2013. The reduction in the standard corporation tax rate from 23% to 21% will be effective from 1 April 2014, with a subsequent 1% reduction to 20% effective from 1 April 2015.

Deferred tax balances should be calculated at the rate at which the balances are expected to be settled, based on tax rates (and laws) that have been substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. As the reductions in the corporation tax rates to 21% and 20% have been substantively enacted at 30 September 2013, the deferred tax balance has been calculated with reference to these rates.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

11) Other liabilities

	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Corporation tax payable	433	3,434
Lease receivable deferred income	44	44
VAT payable	2	-
	<hr/> 479	<hr/> 3,478

12) Share capital

	2013 £	2012 £
<i>Authorised:</i>		
4,217,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	4,217,000,000	4,217,000,000
	<hr/>	<hr/>
<i>Allotted, called up and fully paid:</i>		
10,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	10,000,000	3,189,661,721
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13) Related party transactions

The Company is a wholly owned controlled entity of National Australia Group Europe Limited. The immediate parent is National Europe Holdings Limited. The ultimate parent of the Company is NAB.

During the year there have been transactions between the Company, its ultimate parent and controlled entities of the ultimate parent.

In the normal course of business the Company maintains and conducts transactions with other members of the NAB Group. This business is conducted at prevailing market rates and terms.

The Company receives a range of services from the ultimate parent and related parties including loans and deposits and various administrative services. Fees may be charged for these services.

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	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Amounts due from related entities		
Current assets		
Amounts due from intermediate parent	10,588	2,704,821
Interest receivable from intermediate parent	2	611
Cash held at ultimate parent	97	200
Total amounts due from related entities	10,687	2,705,632
Amounts due to related entities		
Current liabilities		
Amounts due to subsidiaries	676	715
Total amounts due to related entities	676	715
Transactions during the year with related parties		
Interest income from intermediate parent	14,907	26,055
Interest on sub-lease to fellow subsidiary	263	263
Dividend income from subsidiaries	3,720	4,275
Income due from related entities	18,890	30,593
Interest expense to subsidiary undertakings	-	643

The Company's audit fees are borne by the ultimate parent company, NAB.

Transactions with directors, key management and their close family members

There are no amounts outstanding at 30 September 2013 (2012: £nil) for transactions, arrangements and agreements between the Company and its directors, key management and their close family members during the year.

Compensation of key management personnel

All compensation received by key management personnel relates to their duties on behalf of other NAB Group companies. Thus no disclosure is presented in these Financial Statements.

Directors' emoluments

The directors are employed as executives of other NAB Group companies and do not receive incremental remuneration in respect of their duties as directors of this company. As there has been no substantial new activity in the year requiring executive input, the directors believe it would be inappropriate to apportion part of their remuneration as being in respect of their duties to the Company. The aggregate emoluments of the directors of the Company were £nil (2012: £nil).

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14) Risk overview

Risk management

Effective management of risk is a key capability for a successful financial services provider, and is fundamental to NAB Group. A key component of the NAB Group's risk management strategy is the establishment by the Board of a formal 'risk appetite statement' for the NAB Group.

This places an overall limit on the total amount of risk that the NAB Group is prepared to take. That position is set with respect to the returns that the NAB Group is seeking to provide to shareholders, the credit rating that the NAB Group is seeking to maintain, and the NAB Group's capital position and desired ratios.

In line with the NAB Group Risk Charter, the NAB Group's approach to risk management is based on an overriding principle that risk management capability must be embedded within the business' front-line teams to be effective. This overriding principle embodies the following concepts:

- all business decisions proactively consider risk;
- business managers use the risk management framework, which assists in the appropriate balancing of both risk and reward components;
- all employees are responsible for risk management in their day-to-day activities; and
- risk management is a core competency for all employees.

The NAB Group manages risk within an established 'three lines of defence' framework. Control is exercised through a clearly defined delegation of authority, with clear and rapid communication and escalation channels throughout the organisation. The first line of defence comprises the business units managing the risks associated with their activities. The second line encompasses dedicated risk functions who are accountable for independent monitoring and oversight. The third line of defence relates to Internal Audit independently reviewing, monitoring, and testing business unit compliance with risk policies and procedures, and regularly assessing the overall effectiveness of the risk management framework.

Within the UK there is also a regional Risk Management Committee comprised of senior regional executives, which serves to provide a leadership focus on key risk issues from a regional perspective.

Operational risk and compliance

Operational risk is the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed processes, people or systems, or from external events. This includes risk relating to the management of ongoing activities, as well as to organisational changes such as project and change initiatives.

Compliance is the requirement to comply with external regulatory and legal obligations in addition to operating within the Group and regional policies and standards. This includes risk relating to reputational impact, incurring restrictive conditions and undertakings by regulators on how the Group does business.

Various reports are produced at regional management, Board sub-committee and Board level to assist with their oversight and monitoring obligations. This incorporates regional reporting of risk profiles, key operational risk and events, as well as consideration of external events and their relevance to the NAB Group. This process generates visibility and understanding of the NAB Group's overall operational risk profile.

The NAB Group is committed to sound risk management and compliance and continues to improve its capabilities in these areas.

Fair values

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

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14) Risk overview (continued)

Fair values (continued)

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, amounts due from and due to related entities, other assets and other liabilities are considered to approximate fair value. This is due to their short term nature.

Investments in controlled entities are unlisted and do not have a quoted market price, these are measured at cost less impairment as the fair value cannot be reliably measured.

Credit risk

Credit risk is the potential that a borrower or a counterparty will fail to meet its obligations in accordance with agreed terms. NAB places limits around the amount of risk accepted to one borrower, which are monitored on a frequent basis.

Given the majority of balances are with related entities the credit risk is deemed to be minimal.

The maximum exposures to credit risk for the components of the statement of financial position are set out below.

	2013 £'000	2012 £'000
Assets		
Investment in controlled entities	632	491,625
Cash and cash equivalents	97	200
Due from related entities	10,590	2,705,432
Other assets	37	39
Total credit risk exposure	11,356	3,197,296

The Company does not have any collateral or other credit enhancements supporting these assets. The credit quality of assets are neither past due or impaired. There are no undrawn commitments that the Company is exposed to.

Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Company has no material transactional exposures that give rise to net currency gains and losses.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities when they fall due.

The liquidity risk monitoring and maintenance is managed on a monthly basis from reviews performed on management information to ensure that all liabilities can be met when they fall due.

The directors do not believe there is a significant exposure to liquidity risk due to the related party nature of funding and liability exposures with fellow NAB Group companies.

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14) Risk overview (continued)

Liquidity risk (continued)

<i>Cash flows maturity profile for liabilities as they fall due</i>	3 months or less	No specific maturity	Total
2013			
£'000			
Due to related entities	676	-	676
Other liabilities	46	433	479
	<u>722</u>	<u>433</u>	<u>1,155</u>

<i>Cash flows maturity profile for liabilities as they fall due</i>	3 months or less	No specific maturity	Total
2012			
£'000			
Due to related entities	715	-	715
Other liabilities	44	3,434	3,478
	<u>759</u>	<u>3,434</u>	<u>4,193</u>

Interest rate risk

The Company exposure to interest rate risk is in relation to the reset of interest receivable on assets.

The table below summarises these pricing mismatches as at 30 September 2013 and 30 September 2012.

<i>Interest rate sensitivity analysis</i>	Weighted average effective interest rate %	Call	3 months or less	No specific maturity	Non interest bearing	Total
2013						
£'000						
Assets						
Investments in controlled entities:						
- Ordinary shares	-	-	-	-	629	629
- Preference shares	-	-	-	3	-	3
Deferred tax asset	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash assets	-	97	-	-	-	97
Due from related entities	0.6%	-	10,588	-	2	10,590
Other assets	-	-	-	-	37	37
		<u>97</u>	<u>10,588</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>668</u>	<u>11,356</u>
Liabilities						
Due to related entities	-	-	676	-	-	676
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	479	479
Shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	10,201	10,201
		<u>-</u>	<u>676</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,680</u>	<u>11,356</u>
		<u>97</u>	<u>9,912</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>(10,012)</u>	<u>-</u>

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14) Risk overview (continued)

Interest rate risk (continued)

Interest rate sensitivity analysis	Weighted average effective interest rate %	Call	3 months or less	No specific maturity	Non interest bearing	Total
2012						
£'000						
Assets						
Investments in controlled entities:						
- Ordinary shares	-	-	-	-	241,622	241,622
- Preference shares	-	-	-	250,003	-	250,003
Deferred tax asset	-	-	-	-	669	669
Cash assets	-	200	-	-	-	200
Due from related entities	1.0%	-	2,704,821	-	611	2,705,432
Other assets	-	-	-	-	39	39
		200	2,704,821	250,003	242,941	3,197,965
Liabilities						
Due to related entities	1.1%	-	715	-	-	715
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	3,478	3,478
Shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	3,193,772	3,193,772
		-	715	-	3,197,250	3,197,965
		200	2,704,106	250,003	(2,954,309)	-

Capital Management

The Company is governed by NAB Group's capital management policy. The objectives of the NAB Group's capital management policy are to efficiently manage the capital base to optimise shareholder returns whilst maintaining capital adequacy and satisfying key stakeholders such as regulators and ratings agencies. This is managed and monitored at a group level not at a Company level.