

First Citizens Group Financial Holdings Limited and its Subsidiary

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THREE MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

(Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars)



First Citizens

Chairman's Report

We are pleased to report a profitable first quarter for our First Citizens Group which recorded a Profit Before Tax of \$275.3 Million, a 10.8% growth when compared to the corresponding period in 2021. Profit after tax amounted to \$199.5 Million, a 9.9% increase compared to corresponding period in 2021.

Compared to 30 September 2022, there was a marginal decrease (0.1%) in the Group's Total Assets valued at \$45.4 Billion as at 31 December 2022. While investments securities decreased by \$0.9 Billion as a result of the reclassification of T-Bills totaling \$0.8 Billion maturing in less than ninety (90) days to cash and cash equivalent, loans to customers increased by \$450.8 Million or 2.4% to \$19.3 Billion. In the absence of this reclassification, the investment portfolio would have remained comparatively flat.

As a result of this performance, the Board has declared an interim dividend of \$0.43 per ordinary share which is a 7.5% increase over the corresponding period of the prior financial year. This dividend will be paid on 3 March 2023 to shareholders on record as at 15 February 2023.

These figures are reflective of the adoption of our diversification strategies, measures taken to improve our efficiency and our proven risk management policies. The Group's digital transformation remains a priority and, coupled with our other strategic initiatives, we are very confident that we are well positioned to serve our communities and maintain our competitive advantage.

I wish to acknowledge the continued loyalty and support of our employees and fellow Directors during this period and express my sincere gratitude to our customers, and other stakeholders for their invaluable contributions towards the success of the Group.

Anthony Isidore Smart
Chairman
31 January, 2023

Condensed Consolidated Interim Statement of Financial Position

	Unaudited December 2022 \$'000	Unaudited December 2021 \$'000	Audited September 2022 \$'000
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalent	6,432,606	6,327,563	6,375,452
Statutory Deposits	5,524,864	3,073,346	5,152,452
Financial Assets			
- Investments	12,258,075	17,474,118	13,203,048
- Loans and receivables less allowance for loan losses:			
Loans to customers	19,337,296	18,210,546	18,886,554
Loans Notes	--	73,700	--
Other assets	553,093	579,948	530,169
Investment in joint ventures & associates	245,146	231,702	244,114
Property, plant and equipment	688,002	575,972	694,494
Intangible asset	253,862	223,835	261,087
Defined benefit asset	94,925	144,810	91,814
TOTAL ASSETS	45,387,869	46,915,540	45,439,184
LIABILITIES			
Customers' deposits and other funding instruments	32,758,807	32,640,203	32,307,435
Due to other banks	1,330,680	2,283,501	1,304,140
Creditors and accrued expenses	714,098	915,027	734,676
Lease liabilities	175,503	90,287	184,457
Debt securities in issue	2,325,194	2,976,058	2,951,169
Notes due to related companies	58,000	58,000	58,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	37,362,284	38,963,076	37,539,877
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Share capital	458,557	458,557	458,557
Statutory reserve	1,241,412	1,241,412	1,241,412
Fair Value reserve	975,086	1,257,788	932,384
Retained earnings	5,350,532	4,994,707	5,266,954
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	8,025,587	7,952,464	7,899,307
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	45,387,869	46,915,540	45,439,184

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

On 31 January 2023, the Board of Directors of First Citizens Group Financial Holdings Limited authorised these consolidated financial statements for issue.

Director

Director

Condensed Consolidated Interim Income Statement

Note	Unaudited December 2022 \$'000	Unaudited December 2021 \$'000	Audited September 2022 \$'000
Net interest income	416,804	362,112	1,491,279
Other income	153,600	175,278	647,332
Total net revenue	570,404	537,390	2,138,611
Credit impairment losses net recoveries	8,737	5,371	25,267
Non-interest Expenses	(309,612)	(299,788)	(1,267,878)
Operating profit	269,529	242,973	896,000
Share of profit in associates and joint venture	5,796	5,404	26,720
Profit before taxation	275,325	248,377	922,720
Taxation	(75,807)	(66,826)	(189,212)
Profit after taxation	199,518	181,551	733,508
Earnings per share - Basic	0.79	0.72	2.91
Weighted Average Number of Shares - Basic	251,354	251,354	251,354

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

	Unaudited December 2022 \$'000	Unaudited December 2021 \$'000	Audited September 2022 \$'000
Profit for the period	199,518	181,551	733,508
Other comprehensive income:			
Items that will not be classified to Profit or Loss			
Remeasurement of defined benefit liability	--	--	(41,519)
Net (losses) on investments in equity instruments designated at FVOCI	(4,983)	(2,016)	(22,507)
Revaluation of property, plant and equipment net of tax	--	--	407
	(4,983)	(2,016)	(63,619)
Items that may be reclassified to Profit or Loss			
Exchange difference on translation	6,520	8,011	(5,496)
Reclassified to profit or loss on disposal	12,166	(12,804)	(43,451)
Net (losses)/gains on financial assets measured at FVOCI	28,999	(56,369)	(276,016)
	47,685	(61,162)	(324,963)
Total other comprehensive loss for the period	42,702	(63,178)	(388,582)
Total comprehensive income for the period	242,220	118,373	344,926

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

	Share Capital \$'000	Statutory Reserve \$'000	Other Reserve \$'000	Retained Earnings \$'000	Shareholders' Equity \$'000
Balance as at 1 October 2022	458,557	1,241,412	932,384	5,266,954	7,899,307
Total Comprehensive income	--	--	42,702	199,518	242,220
Dividends	--	--	--	(115,940)	(115,940)
Balance as at 31 December 2022	458,557	1,241,412	975,086	5,350,532	8,025,587
Balance as at 1 October 2021	458,557	1,241,412	1,320,966	4,924,472	7,945,407
Total Comprehensive income	--	--	(63,178)	181,551	118,373
Dividends	--	--	--	(111,316)	(111,316)
Balance as at 31 December 2021	458,557	1,241,412	1,257,788	4,994,707	7,952,464
Balance as at 1 October 2021	458,557	1,241,412	1,320,966	4,924,472	7,945,407
Total Comprehensive (loss)/ income	--	--	(388,582)	733,508	344,926
Dividends	--	--	--	(391,026)	(391,026)
Balance as at 30 September 2022	458,557	1,241,412	932,384	5,266,954	7,899,307

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flow

	Unaudited December 2022 \$'000	Unaudited December 2021 \$'000	Audited September 2022 \$'000
Cash Flow From Operating Activities			
Profit before taxation	275,325	248,377	922,720
Adjustments to reconcile profit to net cash provided by operating activities:			
(403,296)	(351,139)	(1,428,063)	
Cashflows from operating activities before changes in operating assets and liabilities	(127,971)	(102,765)	(505,343)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Net change in loans to customers	(439,939)	(120,210)	(764,512)
Net change in customers' deposits and other funding	451,372	(289,106)	(621,875)
Net change in other assets	(68,928)	(57,077)	(13,822)
Net change in statutory deposits with Central Bank	(372,412)	1,513,794	(565,313)
Net change in creditors and accrued expenses	(62,436)	(95,176)	(67,099)
Interest received	510,485	451,495	1,802,578
Interest paid	(79,376)	(87,238)	(309,295)
Net change in investments	1,011,383	(1,845,667)	2,068,263
Taxes paid	(37,333)	(79,482)	(308,099)
Net cash flow from operating activities	784,845	(711,429)	715,483
Cash Flows From Investing Activities			
Net change in loan notes	--	--	73,700
Net change in short-term investments	(1,176,990)	923,662	565,436
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	1,881	218	1,229
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(18,031)	(14,253)	(138,618)
Net cash flow from investing activities	(1,193,140)	(909,627)	501,747
Cash Flows From Financing Activities			
Repayment of debt securities	(625,975)	--	(20,802)
Repayment of Lease liabilities	(9,049)	(6,321)	(34,211)
Dividend paid	(115,940)	(111,316)	(391,026)
Net cash flow from financing activities	(750,964)	(117,637)	(446,039)
Net cash increase in cash and cash equivalents	(1,159,259)	80,561	771,191
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	4,626,277	3,864,595	3,864,595
Effect of exchange rate changes	12,894	12,097	(9,509)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	3,479,902	3,957,253	4,626,277
REPRESENTED BY:-			
Cash and cash equivalent	6,432,606	6,327,563	6,375,452
Due to other banks	(1,330,680)	(2,283,501)	(1,304,140)
Less:			
Short Term Investments (Maturity over 3 months)	(1,622,024)	(86,809)	(445,035)
Net cash and cash equivalents	3,479,902	3,957,253	4,626,277



Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements

1 General Information

First Citizens Group Financial Holdings Limited (FCGFH) and its subsidiaries (together the Group or First Citizens Group) provide retail, commercial and corporate banking as well as investment banking services. The Group operates primarily in Trinidad and Tobago and the Eastern Caribbean region.

FCGFH is a subsidiary of First Citizens Holdings Limited (Holdings), a company owned by the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (GORTT). First Citizens Holdings Limited is the majority shareholder of FCGFH, with shareholding interest of 60.1%. Its registered office is located at 9 Queen's Park East, Port of Spain. On October 18, 2021, FCGFH became the parent company of First Citizens Bank Limited (the Bank) and the listed publicly traded shares on the Trinidad & Tobago Stock Exchange. Shares held in the Bank were replaced with shares in FCGFH in the same ratio as previously held at the time of the change.

The Group currently comprises the following entities:

Entity	Nature of Operations	Country of Incorporation	Ownership Interest
First Citizens Bank Limited	Banking, including the provision of mortgages for residential and commercial properties	Trinidad & Tobago	100%
First Citizens Depository Services Limited (formerly First Citizens Asset Management Limited)	The company acts as custodian for third parties and provides paying agent services	Trinidad & Tobago	100%
First Citizens Bank (Barbados) Limited	Banking, including the provision of mortgages for residential and commercial properties	Barbados	100%
First Citizens Costa Rica SA	Service related transactions	Costa Rica	100%
First Citizens Financial Services (St. Lucia) Limited	Selected banking and financial service operations	St. Lucia	100%
First Citizens Investment Services Limited and its subsidiaries	Investment & asset management services and repo business	Trinidad & Tobago	100%
First Citizens Trustee Services Limited	Provision of trustee, administration and paying agency services	Trinidad & Tobago	100%

The Group also has investment in the following entities:

Entity	Nature of Operations	Country of Incorporation	Ownership Interest
Infolink Services Limited	Provision of automated banking reciprocity services	Trinidad & Tobago	25%
St. Lucia Electricity Services Limited	Provision of electrical power to consumers	St. Lucia	19.11%
Term Finance (Holdings) Limited	Provision of short term loans to individuals and small-medium size businesses	Barbados	19.99%

2 Basis of preparation

The interim consolidated financial statement for the three months period ended 31 December 2022, has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" and should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022.

3 Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the interim financial statement are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the annual financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2022.

4 Commitments

	December 2022	December 2021	September 2022
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Capital Commitments			
Capital expenditure approved by the Directors but not provided for in these accounts:	173,336	155,096	122,266
Credit Commitments			
Commitments for loans approved not yet disbursed:	868,445	364,880	635,350

5 Credit impairment losses net recoveries

	December 2022	December 2021	September 2022
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Expected Credit Losses			
Loans and advances	7,177	4,087	17,252
Other financial assets	1,560	1,284	8,015
	8,737	5,371	25,267

6 Related Party Transactions

(a) Directors and key management personnel

	December 2022	December 2021	September 2022
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Salaries and other short-term employee benefits	12,794	12,352	62,187
Loans and receivables	17,625	11,564	15,864
Interest income	199	119	625
Customers' Deposits	31,767	20,062	29,979
Interest expense	78	64	292
Other Funding instruments	--	6,866	8,852
Interest expense- Other Funding	50	43	192

Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements (cont'd)

(b) Transactions with Parent

	December 2022	December 2021	September 2022
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Customers' Deposit	64,834	3,877	3,704
Long-term notes payable	58,000	58,000	58,000
Loan Note receivable	--	5,214	--
Interest income on loan notes	--	151	1,049
Due from parent	74	56	18

(c) Pension Plan

Employer's contribution	14,195	14,351	54,125
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(d) Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

On the formation of the Bank (see Note 1), it was agreed that the assets and liabilities of the predecessor financial institutions would be transferred to the Bank and the non-performing portfolio sold to a liquidating company in consideration for an equivalent amount of Government-guaranteed notes and commercial paper. In addition, the Central Bank agreed to put specific liquidity arrangements in place by way of a long-term loan. The current amount outstanding on these obligations and the related income and expenses are disclosed below:

	December 2022	December 2021	September 2022
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Assets			
Loan notes with Taurus Services Limited	--	68,486	--
Liabilities			
Due to GORTT	26,588	22,761	26,568
Interest Income			
Loan notes	--	1,964	6,351

(e) Other transactions with the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

In addition to the balances in (d) above, the Group in its ordinary course of business enters into lending, deposit and investment transactions with the GORTT, other state owned institutions, state agencies and local government bodies. Transactions and balances between the Group and these related parties are as follows:

	December 2022	December 2021	September 2022
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Loans to customers	3,154,228	3,561,807	3,535,333
Interest income	52,230	52,713	217,355
Customers' deposits	10,832,352	10,226,797	9,945,476
Interest expense	4,603	3,514	15,571
Investments	7,824,683	11,729,240	7,277,213
Investment income	106,207	94,790	348,757
Other funding instruments	687,834	601,182	731,220
Interest expense	2,689	2,302	9,635

(f) Small & Medium Enterprises (SME) Stimulus Loan

The (COVID - 19) Small & Medium Enterprises (SME) Stimulus Loan is an initiative the GORTT embarked upon, geared specifically towards bringing relief to the Small and Medium Enterprises businesses that were negatively affected as a result of the crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The GORTT provided a guarantee for 75% of the loan value. The interest on these loans will be paid by the GORTT for the duration of the loan.

	December 2022	December 2021	September 2022
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
SME Loans	65,392	15,554	63,756
Interest income	479	107	942

7 Contingent Liabilities

Litigation

The Group is involved in claims and counterclaims arising from the conduct of its business. Based on the facts now known to the Group, the Directors believe that the outcome of these matters would not have a material adverse effect on the position of the Group.

8 Segment Reporting

The segmental information provided to the Executive Management for the reportable segments are as follows:

	Retail & Corporate Banking	Treasury & Investments Banking	Trustee & Asset Management	Group functions	Eliminations	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Period ended 31 December 2022						
Total net revenue	414,202	313,112	25,212	1,438	(183,560)	570,404
Profit before taxation	249,578	257,027	12,874	(69,941)	(174,213)	275,325
Total assets	22,738,104	23,767,005	429,282	6,808,938	(8,355,460)	45,387,869
Period ended 31 December 2021						
Total net revenue	394,408	127,584	26,098	(1,955)	(8,745)	537,390
Profit before taxation	236,572	64,915	14,080	(67,190)	--	248,377
Total assets	24,394,553	23,295,688	581,419	672,663	(2,028,783)	46,915,540
Year ended 30 September 2022						
Total net revenue	1,575,403	628,343	106,748	410,654	(582,537)	2,138,611
Profit before taxation	890,178	407,480	55,832	111,511	(542,281)	922,720
Total assets	22,196,082	23,796,593	632,791	7,174,440	(8,360,722)	45,439,184