



Aspis Bank

Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Report
for the period ended at 30th June 2009

In accordance with International Accounting Standard 34

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Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

(Amounts in Euro thousand)

	Note	From 1st January to 30.06.2009	30.06.2008	From 1st April to 30.06.2009	30.06.2008
Interest income		63,674	81,002	29,305	41,516
Interest expense and similar charges		(56,646)	(57,774)	(25,218)	(30,325)
Net interest income		7,028	23,228	4,087	11,191
Fee and commission income		9,764	12,640	5,500	5,983
Fee and commission expense		(300)	(302)	(143)	(156)
Net fee and commission income		9,464	12,338	5,357	5,827
Net trading income / (expense)		1,817	(808)	815	147
Other operating income		4,905	5,756	2,140	2,916
Total operating income		23,214	40,514	12,399	20,081
Staff expenses		(22,498)	(32,749)	(11,638)	(21,023)
Depreciation and amortization		(6,147)	(5,706)	(3,087)	(2,959)
Other operating expenses	8	(15,927)	(17,835)	(9,084)	(10,601)
Impairment on loans and advances	10	(16,112)	(10,791)	(10,506)	(8,747)
Other provisions		(250)	-	(250)	-
Total operating expenses		(60,934)	(67,081)	(34,565)	(43,330)
Loss before income tax		(37,720)	(26,567)	(22,166)	(23,249)
Income tax	7	7,153	7,128	3,922	6,057
Loss for the period		(30,567)	(19,439)	(18,244)	(17,192)
Changes in fair value of Available for Sale securities transferred to profit or loss		7	-	12	-
Changes in fair value of Available for Sale securities		1,163	(4,894)	1,415	(765)
Other comprehensive income after tax		1,170	(4,894)	1,427	(765)
Total comprehensive income after tax		(29,397)	(24,333)	(16,817)	(17,957)
Loss for the period attributable to:					
Shareholders of the Bank		(30,473)	(19,440)	(17,556)	(17,205)
Minority interest		(94)	1	(688)	13
Loss for the period		(30,567)	(19,439)	(18,244)	(17,192)
Total comprehensive income attributable to:					
Shareholders of the Bank		(29,303)	(24,334)	(16,129)	(17,970)
Minority interest		(94)	1	(688)	13
Total comprehensive income		(29,397)	(24,333)	(16,817)	(17,957)
Basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share (in Euro)		(0.4771)	(0.3034)	(0.2848)	(0.2686)

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Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

(Amounts in Euro thousand)

Assets	Note	30.06.2009	31.12.2008
Cash & cash equivalents		102,679	79,326
Loans and advances to banks		354,489	260,875
Loans and advances to customers (net of impairment)	10	2,015,753	2,135,704
Trading securities		2,054	2,471
Investment securities			
- Available-for- sale		29,407	19,620
- Held-to-maturity		10,415	3,210
Property and equipment	9	47,988	50,251
Intangible assets	9	8,963	8,470
Deferred tax asset		18,401	10,785
Other assets	11	58,753	53,117
Total assets		2,648,902	2,623,829
Liabilities		30.06.2009	31.12.2008
Due to banks		13,830	176,183
Due to customers		2,205,573	1,986,128
Debt securities in issue and other borrowed funds	16	250,999	261,833
Current tax liability		557	526
Provisions/Other liabilities	12	41,947	32,634
Employee benefits		4,055	3,885
Total liabilities		2,516,961	2,461,189
Equity		30.06.2009	31.12.2008
Share capital		173,614	173,614
Share premium		17,053	17,053
Reserves		(935)	(2,252)
Accumulated deficit		(98,602)	(66,662)
Equity attributable to Bank equity holders		91,130	121,753
Minority interest		1,231	1,325
Hybrid capital		39,580	39,562
Total equity		131,941	162,640
Total liabilities and Equity		2,648,902	2,623,829

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Cosolidated Statement of Changes in Equity
(Amounts in Euro thousand)

	Share Capital	Share Premium	Reserves	Accumulated deficit	Attributable to Bank Shareholders	Minority Interest	Hybrid Capital	Total
Opening balance as at 1st January 2008	173,614	17,053	3,896	(10,963)	183,600	1,533	39,529	224,662
Other comprehensive income								
Loss for the period	-	-	-	(19,440)	(19,440)	1	-	(19,439)
Changes in fair value of Available for Sale securities	-	-	(4,894)	-	(4,894)	-	-	(4,894)
Total comprehensive income after tax	-	-	(4,894)	(19,440)	(24,334)	1	-	(24,333)
Transactions with owners								
Prior year dividends paid	-	-	-	(1,281)	(1,281)	-	-	(1,281)
Transfers from retained earnings to reserves	-	-	1,651	(1,651)	-	-	-	-
Other transfers	-	-	-	(1)	(1)	-	-	(1)
Dividend to hybrid securities holders	-	-	-	(1,873)	(1,873)	-	-	(1,873)
Total transactions with owners	-	-	1,651	(4,806)	(3,155)	-	-	(3,155)
Balance as at 30th June 2008	173,614	17,053	653	(35,209)	156,111	1,534	39,529	197,174
 Balance as at 1st January 2009	 173,614	 17,053	 (2,252)	 (66,662)	 121,753	 1,325	 39,562	 162,640
Other comprehensive income								
Loss for the period	-	-	-	(30,473)	(30,473)	(94)	-	(30,567)
Changes in fair value of Available for Sale securities	-	-	1,163	-	1,163	-	-	1,163
Changes in fair value of Available for Sale securities transferred to profit or loss	-	-	7	-	7	-	-	7
Total comprehensive income after tax	-	-	1,170	(30,473)	(29,303)	(94)	-	(29,397)
Transactions with owners								
Transfers from retained earnings to reserves	-	-	147	(147)	-	-	-	-
Dividend to hybrid securities holders	-	-	-	(1,335)	(1,335)	-	18	(1,317)
Other transfers	-	-	-	15	15	-	-	15
Total transactions with owners	-	-	147	(1,467)	(1,320)	-	18	(1,302)
Balance as at 30th June 2009	173,614	17,053	(935)	(98,602)	91,130	1,231	39,580	131,941

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Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

(Amounts in Euro thousand)

	30.06.2009	30.06.2008
Cash flows from operating activities		
Loss before income tax	(37,720)	(26,567)
Adjustments for non-cash items		
Depreciation and amortisation	6,147	5,706
Impairment losses	16,112	10,791
Other provisions	250	-
Defined benefit obligation	220	244
Other non-cash items	(1,937)	(4,197)
(Gains)/losses from valuation of Trading and Available for Sale securities	505	(182)
(Gains)/losses on the sale of property and equipment	(86)	-
	(16,509)	(14,205)
Changes in operations		
Net (increase)/decrease in available for sale securities	(5,298)	(284)
Net (increase)/decrease in derivative financial instruments	-	(7)
Net (increase)/decrease in loans and advances to customers	103,839	(105,149)
Net (increase)/decrease in other assets	(5,639)	2,427
Net increase/(decrease) in due to banks	(162,354)	(33,057)
Net increase/(decrease) in due to customers	219,445	176,143
Net increase/(decrease) in other liabilities	7,726	13,266
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	141,210	39,134
Cash flows from investing activities		
Sale of investments	-	162
Sales of property and equipment	212	127
Purchases of investments	(7,103)	-
Purchases of property, equipment and intangible assets	(4,288)	(5,096)
Dividends received	-	10
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities	(11,179)	(4,797)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Net proceeds from issue/(repayment) of debt securities	(11,619)	(4,345)
Prior year dividends paid	-	(1,281)
Dividends paid to hybrid securities holders	(1,335)	(1,873)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities	(12,954)	(7,499)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	117,077	26,838
Cash and cash equivalents as at 1st January	340,201	588,935
Foreign exchange differences on cash and cash equivalents	(110)	(12,171)
Cash and cash equivalents as at 30th June	457,168	603,602
Cash and cash equivalents consists of:		
Cash and balances with Central Bank	102,679	193,050
Due from banks	354,489	410,552
	457,168	603,602

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1. General information

ASPIS BANK S.A. (the "Bank") operates as a banking institution since 1992. According to article 4 of the Bank's Article of Association, its objective is to engage on its own account or on behalf of third parties all banking operations allowed by the current regulatory framework.

The Bank is incorporated, domiciled and operates in Greece. The Bank maintains its head office in 4 Othonos st., 105 57 Athens, Greece, is registered in the Societe Anonyme Registry under no. 26699/06/B/92/12 and its shares are listed in Athens Stock Exchange.

The Bank and its subsidiaries (the "Group") engage in retail and wholesale banking, asset management, stock brokerage, leasing, insurance brokerage and other services.

The Group's internet address is: www.aspisbank.gr

2. Statement of compliance

This condensed interim consolidated financial report has been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard (IAS) 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008. Where necessary, comparatives have been adjusted to reflect changes in presentation in the current period. For more information investor can also see note 13.

The amounts in the condensed interim consolidated financial report are expressed in thousand of Euro, unless otherwise indicated.

This Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Report has been approved by the Board of Directors of the Bank at 10 August 2009.

3. Principal accounting policies

For the preparation of the Condensed Interim Consolidated Financial Reports of the period the accounting policies and methods applied are consistent with those of the annual financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2008.

New I.F.R.S., amendments and interpretations that are mandatory for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009:

(a) IFRS 8 Operating Segments

IFRS 8 replaces IFRS 14: "Segment reporting". The new Standard requires a management approach for disclosures regarding the adequacy of other Group's operational areas. The disclosed information is used for the evaluation of each segment made by management, as well as the allocation of economic resources. It is more likely that the information is different from the criteria used for the preparation of the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position and comprehensive income. In addition, explanations must be provided for the preparation of operating segment reporting as well as for the reconciliation of financial reporting items.

(b) IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements – Revised 2008

The main changes of this standard, effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1.1.2009, are summarized in the statement of changes in equity regarding transactions with owners in their capacity as owners (e.g. dividends, share capital increase) from other changes in equity. All owner changes in equity should be presented in the statements of changes in equity, separately from "non-owner change" in equity. Moreover, the revised IAS 1 changes the definitions, as well as the presentation of financial report. New definitions in this standard do not change the recognition measurement or disclosure of specific transactions and other events required by other standards.

The change in presentation and disclosure also applied for the condensed interim consolidated financial report of 30 June 2009. Comparative figures are restated in accordance with the revised standard.

(c) IFRS 2 Share based payment: "vesting conditions and cancellations" – Revised 2008

This amendment clarifies that only service conditions and performance conditions are vesting conditions, while all other features need to be included in the fair value at grant date.

(d) IFRIC 13 Customer Loyalty Programmes

IFRIC 13 applies to customer loyalty programmes. This interpretation is applicable to credit card customer loyalty programmes, nevertheless, its adoption will not have a significant impact on the Group's financial position.

New I.F.R.S. amendments and interpretations that are mandatory for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009 and have not been adopted by the Group

(a) IAS 32 Financial Instruments - Amendment

The amendment to IAS 32 requires certain puttable financial instruments and obligations arising on liquidation to be classified as equity if certain criteria are met.

(b) Amendment IAS 27 "Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements" and IFRS 1 "First implementation of International Financial Standards" as far as concerns the cost value of participation in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates companies.

With this amendment that was issued on 22 May 2008 by the Council, the cost of shares in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures in the Group's separate financial statements is not affected by distributions of profit for periods prior to the acquisition date of these shares. Those distributions will be recognized in profit or loss as dividend income. Additionally, with this amendment, changes were also made to IAS 36 - Impairment of Assets, which indicates the impairment of shares according to the effect in the Group's equity due to distribution of dividends in investees.

Concerning the first time adoption of IFRS, alternative ways of determining cost of shares in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures are provided, based on their fair value or their cost according to previous accounting standards.

(c) I.A.S. 39. Financial instruments: Recognition and Measurement

Eligible Hedged Items Amendment to I.A.S. 39. Amendment to I.A.S. 39 clarifies hedge accounting issues and, in particular, inflation and one-sided risk of a hedged item. An entity shall apply those amendments to I.A.S. 39 for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2009.

(d) IFRIC 15 Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate

An entity shall apply I.F.R.I.C. 15 "Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate" for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2009. This Interpretation applies to the accounting for income from the sale of real estate.

(e) I.F.R.I.C. 16 Hedges of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation

This Interpretation applies to an entity that hedges the foreign currency risk arising from its net investments in foreign operations and wishes to qualify for hedge accounting in accordance with I.A.S. 39. This interpretation does not apply to Group's activities.

(f) IAS 23 Borrowing Cost – Revised 2008

In the revised standard, the previous benchmark treatment of recognizing borrowing costs as an expense has been eliminated. Instead, borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets form part of the costs of these assets.

New I.F.R.S., amendments and interpretations issued but not yet applied:

(a) IFRS 3: "Business Combinations" – Revised 2008 and subsequent amendments in IAS 27, 28 and 31 for investment in associates, subsidiaries and joint ventures:

The revised standard introduces significant amendments for the application of the acquisition method for business combinations. Among other changes the standard introduces the possibility of minority interests being measured at fair value. Furthermore, the revised standard requires that the acquirer of a subsidiary recognizes the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as a transaction with owners of the business and any difference should be recognized in equity. The revised IFRS 3 applies for business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after 1 July 2009, while no consolidation adjustments are required for the period before the revised standard will become effective.

(b) I.F.R.I.C. 17 Distribution of non-cash assets to owners

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2009. This interpretation, issued on 27 November 2008, provides guidance to an entity in order to recognize and subsequently measure a liability arising from the distribution of non-cash assets to owners. The Group is in the process of evaluating the potential effects of this interpretation.

(c) I.F.R.I.C. 18 "Transfer of assets from customers"

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 July 2009. This interpretation, issued on 29 January 2009, clarifies the accounting treatment for agreements under which an entity receives from a customer an item of property, plant and equipment that the entity must then use to serve conventional obligations to him. The interpretation applies also, in cases where the entity receives cash from customers to construct or to buy an item of property, plant and equipment to be used as defined above. This interpretation does not apply to the Group.

4. Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The preparation of the Financial Report in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of Group's accounting policies as well as the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Deviations resulting from the revision of the accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which estimates are revised and in future periods affected.

The most significant estimates and assumptions made for the preparation of this condensed interim consolidated financial report are the calculation of impairment losses of loans, the fair value of financial instruments and recovery of the deferred tax asset.

Due to the on going financial turmoil the Group has revised its estimates for impairment on loans and advances and has recognised increased loan loss provisions.

5. Financial risk management

The Group's goals in monitoring exposure to financial risks and methods used by management to control these risks are the same with those applied in the annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008.

6. Operating segments

The Bank and the Group operates and is organized in the following business segments:

- Corporate Banking: This segment includes banking services to large corporates operating in the commercial and industrial sector, banking services to shipping, participation in funding facilities through syndicated loans and corporate bonds.
- Shipping: This segment includes services to shipping companies
- Asset Management and Stock brokerage: This segment includes stock brokerage services and asset management services
- Leasing: This segment includes services relating to financial and operating leasing of property and equipment
- Notes issuers: This segment includes Special Purpose Enterprises which have issued debt securities for funding purposes
- Credit Card: This segment includes credit card loans under VISA and MASTER trade marks.
- Retail Banking: This segment includes retail banking facilities such as loans, deposits and other to individuals, households and small/medium companies
- Treasury: This segment includes Treasury activity

(Amounts in Euro thousand)

30.06.2009	Corporate Banking	Shipping	Asset management & stock brokerage	Leasing	Notes issuers	Credit card	Retail Banking	Treasury	Other	Total
Interest income	3,172	732	152	3,057		1,484	53,341	1,736		63,674
Interest expense	(342)	(65)	(30)	(772)	(110)	(10)	(51,350)	(3,967)		(56,646)
Commissions & other earnings	367	279	1,846	3,107		1,173	7,633	1,781		16,186
Inter-segment revenue	(484)	(74)	(63)	(528)	379	(216)	1,686	(700)		-
Operating income	2,713	872	1,905	4,864	269	2,431	11,310	(1,150)	-	23,214
Profit/(loss) before tax	242	299	(784)	(109)	221	(959)	(34,906)	(1,474)	(250)	(37,720)
Income tax										7,153
Profit/(loss) after tax										(30,567)
Total assets	127,468	38,085	19,985	180,478	198	57,645	1,852,472	302,205	70,366	2,648,902
Total liabilities	5,684	19,137	7,385	36,202	101,216		2,313,290	9,780	24,267	2,516,961
Fixed assets additions	1	1	33	2,739		126	1,357	31		4,288
Depreciation	13	32	151	2,644	2	153	3,142	10		6,147
Loss from impairment of loans & advances	2,284	11	85	600		1,554	11,578			16,112

(Amounts in Euro thousand)

30.06.2008	Corporate Banking	Shipping	Asset management & stock brokerage	Leasing	Notes issuers	Credit card	Retail Banking	Treasury	Other	Total
Interest income	6,302	1,426	398	3,471	1	1,377	60,299	7,728	-	81,002
Interest expense	(890)	(162)	(36)	(1,133)	(2,994)	(39)	(48,985)	(3,535)	-	(57,774)
Commissions & other earnings	674	76	3,072	4,105	-	915	9,107	(683)	20	17,286
Inter-segment revenue	(4,652)	(955)	(438)	(1,296)	2,267	(965)	12,081	(6,042)	-	-
Operating income	1,434	385	2,996	5,147	(726)	1,288	32,502	(2,532)	20	40,514
Profit/(loss) before tax	306	(592)	(1,387)	573	(749)	(2,168)	(19,488)	(3,082)	20	(26,567)
Income tax										7,128
Profit/(loss) after tax										(19,439)
Total assets	237,011	51,382	27,592	114,686	140	47,637	1,942,234	418,511	220,364	3,059,557
Total liabilities	8,324	12,179	17,898	52,822	102,334	-	2,345,387	323,439	-	2,862,383
Fixed assets additions	1	6	39	2,662	-	43	1,480	-	866	5,097
Depreciation	14	32	127	2,574	-	144	2,796	19	-	5,706
Loss from impairment of loans & advances	919	131	1,181	753	-	1,237	6,570	-	-	10,791

7. Income Tax

In Greece the results reported to the tax authorities by an entity are provisional and subject to revision until such time as the tax authorities examine the books and records of the entity and the related tax returns are accepted as final. Therefore, entities remain contingently liable for additional taxes and penalties, which may be assessed upon such examination. The tax authorities have not audited the Bank and the subsidiaries for the following years:

ASPIS Bank SA	2005 – 2008
ASPIS Leasing SA	2006 – 2008
ASPIS Insurance Brokerage SA	2007 – 2008
ASPIS International Mutual Funds Management SA	2007 – 2008
ASPIS Credit SA	2007 – 2008

Because of the method under which the tax obligations are ultimately concluded in Greece, the Group remains contingently liable for additional taxes and penalties for its open tax years. Given the tax losses in years 2007 and 2008, the Bank's management estimates that the additional tax charge in case of a tax audit of the Group is not expected to exceed € 729 thousand. Tax losses for 2007 and 2008 can offset future taxable profits until 2012 and 2013 respectively.

ASPIS Bank is under a tax audit for the years 2005, 2006 and 2007 which is estimated to be completed within 2009.

Effective tax rate for the Group, for the period ending at 30th June 2009, is the same as at 31st December 2008 (19%).

8. Other operating expenses

(Amounts in Euro thousand)

	From 1 st January to		From 1 st April to	
	30.06.2009	30.06.2008	30.06.2009	30.06.2008
Property expenses	4,809	4,707	2,413	2,454
Third party fees	2,570	3,392	1,491	2,523
Financial consulting fees	121	185	61	145
Telecommunication and postal charges	861	1,012	479	714
Other taxes	1,059	1,189	633	762
Subscription fees	1,885	1,685	1,016	947
Insurance premium	261	254	125	100
Traveling & accommodation expenses	526	604	304	346
Maintenance expenses	639	513	374	357
Marketing expenses	1,268	1,717	952	1,146
Consumables	335	270	172	139
Credit card expenses	712	727	406	459
Other expenses	881	1,580	658	509
Total	15,927	17,835	9,084	10,601

9. Property, equipment and intangible assets

During the first semester of 2009 (30.06.2008), the Group acquired:

Property and equipment € 1,461 thousand (30.06.2008: € 2,379 thousand)

Intangible assets € 2,827 thousand (30.06.2008: € 2,717 thousand)

During the same period, the disposals/write-offs of property and equipment amounted to € 126 thousand (30.06.2008: € 127 thousand)

10. Impairment losses on loans and advances to customers

The Group, taking into consideration the potential effects of the international credit crisis on the repayment ability of Greek companies and individuals, has made more prudent provisions for loan losses, charging the current period income statement by €16.1 million (the corresponding charge for the six month period ended 30 June 2008 amounted to €10.8 million).

The movement of impairment loss on loans for the period is as follows:

(Amounts in Euro thousand)

	30.06.2009	31.12.2008
Opening balance	56,775	38,907
Charge for the period	16,112	18,254
Loans written off during the period	-	(386)
Closing balance	72,887	56,775

11. Other assets

(Amounts in Euro thousand)

	30.06.09	31.12.2008
Guarantees and participations to other funds	9,909	9,919
Deposit Guarantee Fund	10,545	5,306
Foreclosed assets	5,156	5,184
Advances	1,641	1,795
Receivables from Greek State and other public organizations	7,993	11,347
Accrued income	332	2,012
Other receivables	23,177	17,554
Total	58,753	53,117

12. Provisions/Other liabilities

(Amounts in Euro thousand)

	30.06.2009	31.12.2008
Tax obligations	1,794	2,034
Bank drafts & cheques payable	8,928	3,546
Accrued interest expenses	662	777
State and Social Insurance liabilities	1,432	2,269
Other accrued expenses	7,835	8,280
Other provisions	3,891	5,610
Other liabilities	17,405	10,118
Total	41,947	32,634

Provisions amounting to € 3,891 thousand refer to: € 2,922 thousand for restructuring, € 240 thousand for litigation claims and € 729 thousand for tax audits of the Group.

13. Reclassification of assets and liabilities

Certain amounts concerning prior year of 2008 have been reclassified in order to be comparable to the current presentation. The reclassification in the statement of financial position relates to the transfer of total amount of € 5,900 thousand from "Other assets" to "Loans and advances to customers".

The reclassification in the "Other Liabilities" relates to the transfer of total amount of € 15,187 thousand from "Accrued interest expense" to "Due to customers" and a total amount of € 3,172 thousand from "Accrued interest expense" to "Debt Securities in issue".

14. Contingent liabilities and commitments

After consultation with legal counsel, management believes that there are no litigation claims which could have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the Group. A provision amounting to € 240 thousand has been formed for this purpose by the Group.

The assets of the Group are free from pledges.

As at 30th June 2009 the Group's contingent liabilities arising from letters of guarantee and letters of credit issued are as follows:

(Amounts in Euro thousand)

	30.06.2009	31.12.2008
Letters of guarantee	162,309	184,732
Letters of credit	1,311	1,306

The commitments of the Group arising from lease contracts refer mainly to buildings used for its branches and other operating units. The future minimum lease payments under operating leases for 30th June 2009 are as follows:

(Amounts in Euro thousand)

	30.06.2009	31.12.2008
Less than one year	7,152	6,853
Between one and five years	16,311	16,646
More than five years	9,187	8,218

15. Related Party transactions

The balances and the results of the transactions of the Group with related parties as at and for the six month period ended 30th June 2009 are set out below:

<i>(Amounts in Euro thousand)</i>		
(a) Senior management and Board of Directors	30.06.2009	31.12.2008
Loans and advances to customers	1,157	21,546
Deposits from customers	2,531	3,736
Other liabilities	122	92
	30.06.2009	30.06.2008
Income		
Net interest income	(50)	419
Net commission income	0	32
Expense		
Staff costs	1,129	12,732
Other operating expenses	169	218
(b) Other key management personnel and other parties	30.06.2009	31.12.2008
Loans and advances to customers	24,402	24,410
Other assets	2,713	944
Due to customers	48,804	58,932
Other liabilities	139	251
	30.06.2009	30.06.2008
Income		
Net interest income	397	(615)
Net commission income	559	304
Expense		
Other operating expenses	1,611	1,726

The outstanding Letters of Guarantee issued to related parties as at 30th June 2009 amounted to € 1,843 thousand.

16. Debt securities in issue and other borrowed funds

The decrease in "Debt securities in issue and other borrowed funds", for the six month period ended at 30th June 2009, is attributed to the repayment of securitized mortgage loans and to the reduction of Group's needs for other borrowed funds.

17. Subsequent events

The extraordinary General Assembly of the Shareholders held on 23rd July 2009 decided the following:

1) It was approved to reduce the nominal value of common shares from € 2,71 to € 0,60 with a creation of special reserve of total amount € 135,15 million 2) It was approved the increase of the share capital with cash of an amount of € 76,87 million and the issuance of 128,128,108 new common, nominal shares of a nominal value of € 0.60, in favor of the existing common Shareholders, in proportion of 2 new shares for each existing. Bank's intention is to withdraw a total amount of € 120 million. 3) It was approved the recall of the decision of the extraordinary General Assembly of the Shareholders held on 23/1/2009, regarding the participation of the Bank to the state-aid program for the strengthening of the liquidity of the Greek economy, according to Law 3723/08, through the issuance of preference shares.