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For the year ended 31 December 2020

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Head Office of Barclays Bank PLC - Dubai Branch

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Barclays Bank PLC - Dubai Branch ("the Branch"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2020, the statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, changes in Head Office Account and reserves and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Branch as at 31 December 2020, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Branch in accordance with International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) (IESBA Code) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Arab Emirates, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Barclays Bank PLC - Dubai Branch Independent Auditors' Report 31 December 2020



Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS, and their preparation in compliance with the applicable provisions of the UAE Federal Law No. (2) of 2015, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Branch 's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Branch or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those Charged with Governance are responsible for overseeing the Branch's financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

 Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Branch 's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Branch 's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Branch to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

Further, as required by Article (114) of the Decretal Federal Law No. (14) of 2018, we report that we have obtained all the information and explanations we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit

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Statement of financial position

	-	As at 31 D	ecember
	Note	2020	2019
		AED'000	AED'000
Assets	4	2 207 405	2 (0(225
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank	4	3,287,485	3,606,225
Due from other banks	5	1,759,107	1,104,496
Due from Head Office and other branches	6	110,559	108,417
Loans and advances	7(a)	900,976	1,183,270
Other assets	8	2,567	1,025
Property and equipment	9	9,851	13,347
Deferred income tax assets	10	18,253	3,390
Total assets	i i	6,088,798	6,020,170
Liabilities, Head Office account and reserves			
Liabilities			
Due to other banks	11	5,132	: * 1
Due to customers	12	2,841,576	2,512,117
Due to Head Office and other branches	13	1,012,948	566,468
Other liabilities	14	49,517	71,108
Total liabilities		3,909,173	3,149,693
Head Office account and reserves			
Allocated capital	15	2,540,214	2,540,214
Legal reserve	16(a)	141,956	141,956
General reserve	16(b)	19,297	28,130
Share options		*	-
(Accumulated losses) / Retained earnings		(521,842)	160,177
Total Head Office account and reserves	8	2,179,625	2,870,477
Total liabilities, Head Office account and reserves	2	6,088,798	6,020,170

These financial statements have been approved on 25^{th} March 2021 and signed by:

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Ramkumar Balasubramaniam

Head of Finance

Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

		Year er Dece	
	Note	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Interest income	19	76,517	167,115
Interest expense	20	(19,902)	(41,626)
Net interest income		56,615	125,489
Fee and commission income	21	31,568	27,781
Net foreign exchange income		4,262	5,179
Operating income		92,445	158,449
Operating expenses	22	(84,067)	(83,427)
Release of restructuring costs	23	(**	784
Impairment (charge) / release on financial instruments	3.2.3	(702,551)	52,414
(Loss) / Profit before taxation		(694,173)	128,220
Income tax credit / (expense)	24	3,321	(13,866)
(Loss) / Profit for the year		(690,852)	114,354
Other comprehensive income			<u> </u>
Total comprehensive (loss) / income for the year		(690,852)	114,354

Statement of changes in Head Office account and reserves

	Note	Allocated capital	Legal reserve	General reserve	Share options	Retained earnings	Total
		AED '000	AED '000	AED '000	AED '000	AED '000	AED ,000
At 1 January 2019		2,540,214	130,521	22,204	1	63,184	2,756,123
Total comprehensive income for the year							
Profit for the year and total comprehensive							
income		91	3	•	9	114,354	114,354
Other equity movement							
Transfer to legal reserve	$\overline{16}(a)$	1	11,435	•	((11,435)	%
Transfer to general reserve	16(b)	•	*	5,926		(5,926)	•
Total movement			11,435	5,926		96,993	114,354
At 31 December 2019	ļ	2,540,214	141,956	28,130	É	160,177	2,870,477
Total comprehensive income for the year Loss for the year and total comprehensive income			8	ř	í	(690,852)	(690,852)
Other equity movement							
Transfer to legal reserve	16(a)		ï	r	*	•	*
Transfer from general reserve	16(b)	3.0	•	(8,833)	•	8,833	•
Total movement	(,)		*	(8,833)		(682,019)	(690,852)
At 31 December 2020		2,540,214	141,956	19,297		(521,842)	2,179,625

The independent auditor's report is set out on pages 1-3. The notes from 1 to 27 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of cash flows

		Year ended 31	December
	Note	2020	2019
		AED'000	AED'000
Operating activities			
(Loss) / Profit for the year before taxation		(694,173)	128,220
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation	9	3,262	3,104
Interest expense on finance lease	25	48	63
Write off of property and equipment	9	234	1,797
End of service benefits charge for the year	14(a)	192	212
Net impairment charge / (release) on financial			/
instruments	3.2.3	700,990	(40,594)
Operating cash flows before end of service			
benefits and tax paid and changes in assets and		10.554	00.000
liabilities	4.44	10,553	92,802
End of service benefits paid	14(a)	(60)	(270)
Income tax paid during the year		(25,906)	(9,018)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Balances with the UAE Central Bank excluding amounts considered as cash and cash equivalents	4,26	(293,533)	(213,317)
Due from other banks excluding amounts	7,20	(273,333)	(213,317)
considered as cash and cash equivalents	5,26	(648,934)	499,201
Due from Head Office and other branches	,	. , ,	
excluding amounts considered as cash and cash			
equivalents	6,26	18,197	(33,569)
Loans and advances	7	(421,830)	(652,237)
Other assets	8	(1,542)	1,072
Due to other banks	11	5,132	(531)
Due to customers	12	329,459	172,825
Due to Head Office and other branches	13	446,480	166,505
Other liabilities	14	(4,571)	(57,350)
Net cash (used in) / from operating activities		(586,555)	(33,887)
Financing activities			
Payment of lease liabilities	25 _	(328)	(219)
Net cash used in financing activities		(328)	(219)
Net (decrease) / increase in cash and cash			
equivalents		(586,883)	(34,106)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	26	688,973	723,079
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	26	102,090	688,973

Notes to the financial statements

1 Establishment and operations

Barclays Bank PLC (the "Head Office") is a public limited company incorporated in the United Kingdom and the address of its registered office is 1 Churchill Place, London E14 5HP. The principal activity of Barclays Bank PLC in the United Arab Emirates ("UAE") is wholesale banking which it carried out from its Branch in Dubai (the "Bank" or "the Branch"). The registered address of the Dubai Branch is Office No.109, Level 1, The Offices 3, One Central, Dubai World Trade Centre, Dubai, UAE.

On 1 April 2015, a new UAE Federal Law No 2 for Commercial Companies ("UAE Companies Law of 2015") was issued with effective date 1 July 2015. The Bank is compliant with applicable sections of the UAE Companies Law of 2015 as at the date thereof.

2 Significant accounting policies

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

(a) Changes in accounting policies

There are certain new and amended standards, issued by International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), interpretations and amendments that are mandatory for the Bank's accounting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2020 but are considered not to be relevant or do not have any significant effect on the Bank's operations and therefore not detailed in these financial statements.

(b) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with and comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), interpretations issued by International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) and the applicable requirements of laws of the United Arab Emirates. The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention except for derivative financial instruments measured at fair value.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Bank's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in note 2(s).

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(c) Financial assets and liabilities

Recognition and initial measurement

The Bank initially recognises loans and advances, and deposits on the date on which they are originated. All other financial instruments (including regular-way purchases and sales of financial assets) are recognised on the trade date, which is the date on which the Bank becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

A financial asset or financial liability is measured initially at fair value plus, for an item not at Fair Value through the Statement of Profit or Loss (FVTPL), transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue.

Classification

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amortised cost, Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI) or FVTPL. A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

- The asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- The contractual terms of the financial asset gives rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

A debt instrument is measured at FVOCI only if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

- The asset is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets; and
- The contractual terms of the financial asset gives rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

On initial recognition of an equity investment that is not held for trading, the Bank may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value in OCI. This election is made on an investment-by-investment basis.

All other financial assets are classified as FVTPL.

In addition, on initial recognition, the Bank may irrevocably designate a financial asset that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortised cost or at FVOCI, as FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

Business model assessment

The Bank makes an assessment of the objective of a business model in which an asset is held at a portfolio level because this best reflects the way the business is managed and information is provided to management. The information considered includes:

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 2 Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (c) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Classification (continued)

Business model assessment (continued)

- The stated policies and objectives for the portfolio and the operation of those policies in practice. In particular, whether management's strategy focuses on earning contractual interest revenue, realising cash flows through the sale of the assets and holding it for liquidity purposes;
- The risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and how those risks are managed;
- how the performance of the portfolio is evaluated and reported to the Bank's management;
- how managers of the business are compensated e.g. whether compensation is based on the fair value of the assets managed or the contractual cash flows collected;
- the frequency, volume and timing of sales in prior periods, the reasons for such sales and its expectations about future sales activity. However, information about sales activity is not considered in isolation, but as part of an overall assessment of how the Bank's stated objective for managing the financial assets is achieved and how cash flows are realised.

Financial assets that are held for trading or managed and whose performance is evaluated on a fair value basis are measured at FVTPL because they are neither held to collect contractual cash flows nor held both to collect contractual cash flows and to sell financial assets.

Assessment of whether contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest

For the purposes of this assessment, 'principal' is defined as the fair value of the financial asset on initial recognition. 'Interest' is defined as consideration for the time value of money and for the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding during a particular period of time and for other basic lending risks and costs (e.g. liquidity risk and administrative costs).

In assessing whether the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest, the Bank considers the contractual terms of the instrument. This includes assessing whether the financial asset contains a contractual term that could change the timing or amount of contractual cash flows such that it would not meet this condition. In making the assessment, the Bank considers:

- Contingent events that would change the amount and timing of cash flows;
- · Leverage features;
- · Prepayment and extension terms;
- Terms that limit the Bank's claim to cash flows from specified assets (e.g. non-recourse asset arrangements); and

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 2 Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (c) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Classification (continued)

Assessment of whether contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest (continued)

• Features that modify consideration of the time value of money – e.g. periodical reset of interest rates.

Reclassification

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition, except in the period after the Bank changes its business model for managing financial assets.

Financial liabilities

The Bank classifies its financial liabilities, other than financial guarantees and loan commitments, as measured at amortised cost or FVTPL.

Derecognition:

Financial assets:

The Bank derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the Bank neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

On derecognition of a financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount of the asset (or the carrying amount allocated to the portion of the asset derecognised) and the sum of (i) the consideration received (including any new asset obtained less any new liability assumed) and (ii) any cumulative gain or loss that had been recognised in OCI is recognised in profit or loss.

Any cumulative gain/loss recognised in OCI in respect of equity investment securities designated as at FVOCI is not recognised in profit or loss on derecognition of such securities.

Financial liabilities:

Financial liabilities are derecognised when they are extinguished – that is, when the obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(d) Impairment of financial assets

The Bank applies a three-stage approach to measuring expected credit losses (ECL) on financial assets carried at amortised cost and debt instruments classified as FVOCI. Assets migrate through the following three stages based on the change in credit quality since initial recognition.

Stage 1 – the recognition of 12 month expected credit losses (ECL), that is the portion of lifetime expected credit losses from default events that are expected within 12 months of the reporting date, if credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition;

Stage 2 – lifetime expected credit losses for financial instruments for which credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition; and

Stage 3 – lifetime expected credit losses for financial instruments which are credit impaired.

Refer to note 3 for further details regarding the impairment requirements.

Accounting for the impairment of financial assets

The Bank recognises expected credit losses (ECLs) based on unbiased forward-looking information for all financial assets at amortised cost, lease receivables, debt financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts. Intercompany exposures, including loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts, are also in scope of IFRS 9 for ECL purposes.

At the reporting date, an allowance (or provision for loan commitments and financial guarantees) is required for the 12 month ECLs. If the credit risk has significantly increased since initial recognition (Stage 2), or if the financial instrument is credit impaired (Stage 3), an allowance (or provision) should be recognised for the lifetime ECLs.

The measurement of ECL is calculated using three main components: (i) probability of default (PD) (ii) loss given default (LGD) and (iii) the exposure at default (EAD).

The 12 month ECL is calculated by multiplying the 12 month PD, LGD and the EAD. The 12 month and lifetime PDs represent the PD occurring over the next 12 months and the remaining maturity of the instrument respectively.

The EAD represents the expected balance at default, taking into account the repayment of principal and interest from the balance sheet date to the default event together with any expected drawdowns of committed facilities. The LGD represents expected losses on the EAD given the event of default, taking into account, among other attributes, the mitigating effect of collateral value at the time it is expected to be realised and the time value of money.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 2 Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (d) Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Accounting for the impairment of financial assets (continued)

Determining a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition:

The Bank assesses when a significant increase in credit risk has occurred based on quantitative and qualitative assessments. The credit risk of an exposure is considered to have significantly increased when:

i) Ouantitative test

The annualised lifetime PD has increased by more than an agreed threshold relative to the equivalent at origination.

PD deterioration thresholds are defined as percentage increases, and are set at an origination score band and segment level to ensure the test appropriately captures significant increases in credit risk at all risk levels. Generally, thresholds are inversely correlated to the origination PD, i.e. as the origination PD increases, the threshold value reduces.

The assessment of the point at which a PD increase is deemed 'significant', is based upon analysis of the portfolios' risk profile against a common set of principles and performance metrics (consistent across both retail and wholesale businesses), incorporating expert credit judgement where appropriate.

For existing/historical exposures where origination point scores/data are no longer available or do not represent a comparable estimate of lifetime PD, a proxy origination score is defined, based upon:

- Back-population of the approved lifetime PD score either to origination date or, where this is not feasible, as far back as possible, (subject to a data start point no later than 1 January 2015); or
- Use of available historic account performance data and other customer information, to derive a comparable 'proxy' estimation of origination PD.

i) Qualitative test

Accounts meet the portfolio's 'high risk' criteria and are subject to closer credit monitoring.

High risk customers may not be in arrears but either through an event or an observed behavior exhibit credit distress. The definition and assessment of high risk includes as wide a range of information as reasonably available, including industry and Group wide customer level data wherever possible or relevant.

Whilst the high risk populations applied for IFRS 9 impairment purposes are aligned with risk management processes, they are also regularly reviewed and validated to ensure that they capture any incremental segments where there is evidence of credit deterioration.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 2 Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (d) Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Accounting for the impairment of financial assets (continued)

ii) Backstop criteria

Accounts that are 30 calendar days or more past due. The 30 days past due criteria is a backstop rather than a primary driver of moving exposures into Stage 2.

Exposures will move back to Stage 1 once they no longer meet the criteria for a significant increase in credit risk. This means that, at minimum: all payments must be up-to-date, the PD deterioration test is no longer met, the account is no longer classified as high risk, and the customer has evidenced an ability to maintain future payments. The Bank monitor such financial instruments for a minimum probationary period of 12 months to confirm if the risk of default has decreased sufficiently before upgrading such exposure from Stage 2 to Stage 1.

The Bank does not rely on the low credit risk exemption which would assume facilities of investment grade are not significantly deteriorated.

Management overlays and other exceptions to model outputs are applied only if consistent with the objective of identifying significant increases in credit risk.

Forward-looking information

The measurement of ECL involves complexity and judgement, including estimation of PDs, LGD, a range of unbiased future economic scenarios, estimation of expected lives (where contractual life is not appropriate), and estimation of EAD and assessing significant increases in credit risk.

Credit losses are the expected cash shortfalls from what is contractually due over the expected life of the financial instrument, discounted at the original effective interest rate (EIR). ECLs are the unbiased probability-weighted credit losses determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes and considering future economic conditions. When there is a non-linear relationship between forward-looking economic scenarios and their associated credit losses, five forward-looking economic scenarios are considered to ensure a sufficient unbiased representative sample of the complete distribution is included in determining the expected loss. Stress testing methodologies are leveraged within forecasting economic scenarios.

The Bank utilises an external consensus forecast as the baseline scenario. In addition, two adverse and two favourable scenarios are derived, with associated probability weightings. The adverse scenarios are calibrated to a similar severity to internal stress tests, whilst also incorporating IFRS 9 specific sensitivities and non-linearity. The most adverse scenarios are benchmarked to the Bank of England's annual cyclical scenarios and to the most severe scenarios from Moody's inventory, but are not designed to be the same. The favourable scenarios are calibrated to be symmetric to the adverse scenarios, subject to a ceiling calibrated to relevant recent favourable benchmark scenarios. The scenarios include six core variables, (GDP, unemployment and House Price Index in both the UK & US markets), and expanded variables which include emerging market indicators, using statistical models based on historical correlations. The Head Office considers these macroeconomic forecasts as reasonable proxy of the economic environment of the Branch.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 2 Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (d) Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Forward-looking information (continued)

The probability weights of the scenarios are estimated such that the baseline (reflecting current consensus outlook) has the highest weight and the weights of adverse and favourable scenarios depend on the deviation from the baseline; the further from the baseline, the smaller the weight. A single set of five scenarios is used across all portfolios and all five weights are normalised to equate to 100%. The impacts across the portfolios are different because of the sensitivities of each of the portfolios to specific macroeconomic variables.

Definition of default, credit impaired assets, write-offs, and interest income recognition

The definition of default for the purpose of determining ECLs has been aligned to the Regulatory Capital CRR Article 178 definition of default (the institution considers that the obligor is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the institution, the parent undertaking or any of its subsidiaries in full, without recourse by the institution to actions such as realising security), which considers indicators that the debtor is unlikely to pay, includes exposures in forbearance and is no later than when the exposure is more than 90 days past due. When exposures are identified as credit impaired or purchased or originated as such interest income is calculated on the carrying value net of the impairment allowance. The Bank's definition of default is consistent with the provisions of CUAE Circular 28/2010 (Regulation for Classification of Loans and their Provisions).

Credit impaired is when the exposure has defaulted which is also anticipated to align to when an exposure is identified as individually impaired.

Uncollectible loans are written off against the related allowance for loan impairment on completion of the Bank's internal processes and when all reasonably expected recoverable amounts have been collected. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited to the income statement.

Loan modifications and renegotiations that are not credit-impaired

When modification of a loan agreement occurs as a result of commercial restructuring activity rather than due to credit risk of the borrower, an assessment must be performed to determine whether the terms of the new agreement are substantially different from the terms of the existing agreement. This assessment considers both the change in cash flows arising from the modified terms as well as the change in overall instrument risk profile. With regards to exposures that are restructured, the Bank observe a probationary period of a minimum of 3 instalments (for repayments which are on a quarterly basis or shorter) and 12 months (in cases where instalments are on a longer frequency than quarterly) after the restructuring, before upgrading from Stage 3 to 2.

Where terms are substantially different, the existing loan will be derecognised and new loan recognised at fair value, with any difference in valuation recognised immediately within the income statement, subject to observability criteria.

Where terms are not substantially different, the loan carrying value will be adjusted to reflect the present value of modified cash flows discounted at the original EIR, with any resulting gain or loss recognised immediately within the income statement as a modification gain or loss.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 2 Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (d) Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Expected life

Lifetime ECLs must be measured over the expected life. This is restricted to the maximum contractual life and takes into account expected prepayment, extension, call and similar options. The exceptions are certain revolver financial instruments, such as credit cards and bank overdrafts, that include both a drawn and an undrawn component where the entity's contractual ability to demand repayment and cancel the undrawn commitment does not limit the entity's exposure to credit losses to the contractual notice period. For revolving facilities, expected lifetime is analytically derived to reflect behavioural life of the asset, i.e. the full period over which the business expects to be exposed to credit risk. Behavioural life is typically based upon historical analysis of the average time to default, closure or withdrawal of facility. Where data is insufficient or analysis inconclusive, an additional 'maturity factor' may be incorporated to reflect the full estimated life of the exposures, based upon experienced judgement and/or peer analysis. Potential future modifications of contracts are not taken into account when determining the expected life or EAD until they occur.

Discounting

ECLs are discounted at the EIR at initial recognition or an approximation thereof and consistent with income recognition. For loan commitments the EIR is the rate that is expected to apply when the loan is drawn down and a financial asset is recognised. Issued financial guarantee contracts are discounted at the risk free rate. Lease receivables are discounted at the rate implicit in the lease. For variable/floating rate financial assets, the spot rate at the reporting date is used and projections of changes in the variable rate over the expected life are not made to estimate future interest cash flows or for discounting.

Modelling techniques

ECLs are calculated by multiplying three main components, being the PD, LGD and the EAD, discounted at the original EIR. The regulatory Basel Committee of Banking Supervisors (BCBS) ECL calculations are leveraged for IFRS 9 modelling but adjusted for key differences which include:

- BCBS requires 12 months through the economic cycle losses whereas IFRS 9 requires 12 months or lifetime point in time losses based on conditions at the reporting date and multiple forecasts of the future economic conditions over the expected lives.
- IFRS 9 models do not include certain conservative BCBS model floors and downturn assessments and require discounting to the reporting date at the original EIR rather than using the cost of capital to the date of default.
- Management adjustments are made to modelled output to account for situations where known
 or expected risk factors and information have not been considered in the modelling process,
 for example forecast economic scenarios for uncertain political events.
- ECL is measured at the individual financial instrument level, however a collective approach where financial instruments with similar risk characteristics are grouped together, with apportionment to individual financial instruments, is used where effects can only be seen at a collective level, for example for forward-looking information.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 2 Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (d) Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Modelling techniques (continued)

For the IFRS 9 impairment assessment, Banks' risk models are used to determine the PD, LGD and EAD. For Stage 2 and 3, Bank applies lifetime PDs but uses 12 month PDs for Stage 1. The ECL drivers of PD, EAD and LGD are modelled at an account level which considers vintage, among other credit factors. Also, the assessment of significant increase in credit risk is based on the initial lifetime PD curve, which accounts for the different credit risk underwritten over time.

Forbearance

A financial asset is subject to forbearance when it is modified due to the credit distress of the borrower. A modification made to the terms of an asset due to forbearance will typically be assessed as a non-substantial modification that does not result in de-recognition of the original loan, except in circumstances where debt is exchanged for equity.

Both performing and non-performing forbearance assets are classified as Stage 3 except where it is established that the concession granted has not resulted in diminished financial obligation and that no other regulatory definitions of default criteria has been triggered, in which case the asset is classified as Stage 2. The minimum probationary period for non-performing forbearance is 12 months and for performing forbearance, 24 months. Hence, a minimum of 36 months is required for non-performing forbearance to move out of a forborne state.

No financial instrument in forbearance can transfer back to Stage 1 until all of the Stage 2 thresholds are no longer met and can only move out of Stage 3 when no longer credit impaired.

(e) Property and equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognized as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Bank and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the income statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation is computed on the straight line method at rates calculated to reduce the cost of assets to their estimated residual values over their expected useful lives as follows:

Years

Leasehold improvements

10-15 years or over the period of the lease if less than 10 years

Motor vehicles, office equipment and furniture and fixtures (Other assets)
Right-of-use assets

4-10 The period of the lease

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(e) Property and equipment (continued)

When the carrying amount of an asset is greater than its estimated recoverable amount, it is written down immediately to its recoverable amount being the higher of the net selling price and value in use.

Gains and losses on disposal of property and equipment are determined by comparing sales proceeds to the carrying value of the asset diposal and are taken into account in determining operating income.

Assets under construction is stated at cost incurred from the date of commencement of the project to the date on which it is commissioned. When commissioned, assets under construction is transferred to the appropriate category of property and equipment and depreciated in accordance with the Bank's accounting policies.

(f) Derivative financial instruments

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date on which a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently remeasured at their fair value. Fair values are obtained from quoted market prices in active markets, including recent market transactions. All derivatives are carried as assets when fair value is positive and as liabilities when fair value is negative.

(g) Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the balance sheet when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

(h) Due to banks, customers and Head Office & other branches

Borrowings include due to other banks, due to customers and due to Head Office and other branches. Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, being their issue proceeds (fair value of consideration received), net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently stated at amortised cost; any difference between proceeds net of transaction costs and the redemption value is recognised in the income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

(i) Provision for staff benefits

The end of service benefits for international staff are provided in accordance with Barclays group policy, which is in line with the requirements of IAS 19, and are in lieu of the end of service benefits payable under UAE Labour Law. The liability for these benefits is settled through the Head Office current account and recorded as a charge in the income statement.

Pension contributions are made in respect of UAE national employees to the UAE General Pension and Social Security Authority in accordance with Federal Law No. (7), 1999 for Pension and Social Security.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(i) Provision for staff benefits (continued)

Provision is also made, using actuarial techniques for the end of service benefits due to the non-UAE national employees in accordance with the UAE Labour Law for their periods of service up to the balance sheet date.

A provision is made for the estimated liability for airfares as a result of services rendered by employees up to the balance sheet date.

(j) Due from banks, Head Office and other branches

Amounts due from banks and due from Head Office and other branches are stated at amortised cost, less any amounts written off and provision for impairment, if any.

(k) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Bank has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, 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.

(l) Foreign currency translation

(i) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of the Bank are measured in Arab Emirates Dirham ("AED") being the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Bank operates ("the functional currency"). The financial statements are prepared in AED, which is the Bank's functional and presentation currency.

(ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into AED at the rate ruling on the transaction date. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into AED at the rates ruling at the balance sheet date. Any resultant gains or losses are accounted for in the income statement.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(m) Interest income and expense

Effective interest rate

Interest income and expense are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method. The 'effective interest rate' is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument to:

- the gross carrying amount of the financial asset; or
- the amortised cost of the financial liability.

When calculating the effective interest rate for financial instruments other than purchased or originated credit-impaired assets, the Bank estimates future cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument, but not ECL. For purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets, a credit-adjusted effective interest rate is calculated using estimated future cash flows including ECL.

The calculation of the effective interest rate includes transaction costs and fees and points paid or received that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. Transaction costs include incremental costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of a financial asset or financial liability.

Amortised cost and gross carrying amount

The 'amortised cost' of a financial asset or financial liability is the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured on initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount and, for financial assets, adjusted for any expected credit loss allowance.

The 'gross carrying amount of a financial asset' is the amortised cost of a financial asset before adjusting for any expected credit loss allowance.

Calculation of interest income and expense

The effective interest rate of a financial asset or financial liability is calculated on initial recognition of a financial asset or a financial liability. In calculating interest income and expense, the effective interest rate or an approximation thereof is applied to the gross carrying amount of the asset (when the asset is not credit impaired) or to the amortised cost of the liability. The effective interest rate is revised as a result of periodic re-estimation of cash flows of floating rate instruments to reflect movements in market rates of interest. The effective interest rate is also revised for fair value hedge adjustments at the date amortisation of the hedge adjustment begins.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 2 Significant accounting policies (continued)
- (m) Interest income and expense (continued)

Calculation of interest income and expense (continued)

However, for financial assets that have become credit-impaired subsequent to initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate or an approximation thereof, to the amortised cost of the financial asset. If the asset is no longer credit-impaired, then the calculation of interest income reverts to the gross basis.

For financial assets that were credit-impaired on initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the credit-adjusted effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the asset. The calculation of interest income does not revert to a gross basis, even if the credit risk of the asset improves. For information on when financial assets are credit-impaired, refer note 2(d).

Presentation

Interest income calculated using the effective interest method presented in the statement of profit or loss and Other Comprehensive Income (OCI) includes interest on debt instruments measured at FVOCI.

Interest expense presented in the statement of profit or loss and OCI includes financial liabilities measured at amortised cost.

(n) Fee and commission income

Fee and commission income and expense that are integral to the effective interest rate on a financial asset or financial liability are included in the effective interest rate.

Other fee and commission income – including account servicing fees, investment management fees, sales commission, placement fees and syndication fees – is recognised as the related services are performed. If a loan commitment is not expected to result in the draw-down of a loan, then the related loan commitment fee is recognised on a straight-line basis over the commitment period.

A contract with a customer that results in a recognised financial instrument in the Bank's financial statements may be partially in the scope of IFRS 9 and partially in the scope of IFRS 15. If this is the case, then the Bank first applies IFRS 9 to separate and measure the part of the contract that is in the scope of IFRS 9 and then applies IFRS 15 to the residual.

Other fee and commission expenses relate mainly to transaction and service fees, which are expensed as the services are received.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(o) Lease

At inception of a contract, the Bank assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Bank uses the definition of a lease in IFRS 16.

At commencement or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Bank allocates consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of its relative standalone price.

The Bank recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove any improvements made to branches or office premises.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Bank's incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Bank uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.

The Bank determines its incremental borrowing rate by analysing its borrowings from various external sources and makes certain adjustments to reflect the terms of the lease and type of asset leased.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date;
- amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee; and
- the exercise price under a purchase option that the Bank is reasonably certain to exercise, lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Bank is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Bank is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, if there is a change in the Bank's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, if the Bank changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option or if there is a revised in-substance fixed lease payment.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(o) Lease (continued)

When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The Bank presents right-of-use assets in 'property and equipment' and lease liabilities in 'Other liabilities' in the statement of financial position.

Short-term leases and leases of low value assets

The Bank has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases of low-value assets and short-term leases, including leases of IT equipment. The Bank recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

The Bank does not have any lease arrangements in which it acts as a lessor.

(p) Taxation

Provision for taxation is made in respect of the Bank's operations in the Emirate of Dubai whereby tax is payable at the rate of 20% of the adjusted net profit generated during the year in each of the Emirates, in accordance with the relevant legislation of the Emirate.

Income tax is recognised as an expense (income) for the period except to the extent that current tax related to items that are charged or credited in other comprehensive income or directly to equity. In these circumstances, current tax is charged or credit to other comprehensive income or to equity (for example, current tax on available-for-sale investment).

Deferred income tax is provided in full, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the date of the balance sheet and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the unused tax losses can be utilised.

Deferred tax related to fair value re-measurement of financial instruments designated at FVOCI, which is recognised in other comprehensive income, is also recognised in the other comprehensive income.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

2 Significant accounting policies (continued)

(q) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the statement of cash flow, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand, balances in current and call accounts and placements with the UAE Central Bank and with other financial institutions with original maturity of less than or equal to three months, excluding statutory deposits required to be maintained with the UAE Central Bank.

(r) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

A number of new standards and amendments to standards are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 January 2020 and earlier application is permitted; however, the Bank has not early adopted them in preparing these financial statements.

The following amended standards are not expected to have a significant impact on the Bank's financial statements.

- Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39, IFRS 7, IFRS 4 and IFRS 16 relating to phase 2 of interest rate benchmark reforms.
- Amendments to IAS 16 Property, plant and equipment relating to proceeds before intended use.
- Amendment to IAS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets relating to onerous contracts.
- Annual improvements to IFRS standards 2018 2020
- Amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements relating to classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current
- Amendment to IFRS 17 Insurance contracts

(s) Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The Bank makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Impairment charge on financial assets

Impairment losses are evaluated as described in accounting policy 2 (d).

The measurement of impairment losses under IFRS 9 across all categories of financial assets requires judgement, in particular, the estimation of the amount and timing of future cash flows and collateral values when determining impairment losses and the assessment of a significant increase in credit risk. These estimates are driven by a number of factors, changes in which can result in different levels of allowances.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management

3.1 Risk management review

The Bank's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks and those activities involve the analysis, evaluation, acceptance and management of some degree of risk or combination of risks. Taking risk is core to the financial business. The Bank's aim is therefore to achieve an appropriate balance between risk and return and minimise potential adverse effects on the Bank's financial performance.

The main sources of financial risk that the Bank faces arise from financial instruments, which are fundamental to the Bank's business, and constitute the core of its operations. Financial instruments ereate, modify or reduce the liquidity, credit and market risks of the Bank's balance sheet. Consequently, the Bank devotes considerable resources to maintaining effective controls to manage, measure and mitigate each of these risks and regularly reviews its risk management procedures and systems to ensure that they continue to meet the needs of the business.

Managing financial risks, especially credit risk is a fundamental part of the Bank's business activity and an essential component of the planning process. The Bank achieves its risk management goals by keeping risk management at the centre of the executive agenda and by building a culture that measures risk management with everyday business decision making.

The Bank ensures that it has the capacity to manage the risk in its established businesses as well as new and growing ones, and that its business plans are consistent with the risk appetite, that is, the level of risk that the Bank is willing to accept in fulfilling its business objectives.

The Bank's risk management policies are designed to identify and analyse risks, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor the risks and adherence to limits. These policies provide written principles for overall risk management, as well as specific areas, such as foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, use of derivative financial instruments and non-derivative financial instruments. In addition, internal audit is responsible for the independent review of risk management and the control environment.

The most important types of risk are credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk. Market risk includes currency risk, interest rate and price risk.

3.1.1 Risks relating to the impact of COVID - 19

On 11 March 2020, the World Health Organisation ("WHO") officially declared COVID-19 a global pandemic. In light of the rapid spread of COVID-19 across the globe, various economies and sectors have faced significant disruptions and uncertainty as a result of measures taken by governments to contain or delay the spread of the virus.

The COVID-19 pandemic has had, and continues to have, a material impact on businesses around the world and the economic environments in which they operate. There are a number of factors associated with the pandemic and its impact on global economies that could have a material adverse effect on (among other things) the profitability, capital and liquidity of financial institutions such as Barclays Bank PLC – Dubai Branch. As such, the COVID-19 has a potential impact on more than one principal risk.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.1 Risk management review (continued)

3.1.1 Risks relating to the impact of COVID - 19 (continued)

It remains unclear how the COVID-19 pandemic will evolve through 2021 (including whether there will be further waves of the COVID-19 pandemic, whether COVID-19 vaccines approved for use by regulatory authorities will be deployed successfully with desired results, whether further new strains of COVID-19 will emerge and whether, and in what manner, additional restrictions will be imposed and/or existing restrictions extended) and the Bank continues to monitor the situation closely. However, despite the COVID-19 contingency plans established by the Bank, the ability to conduct business may be adversely affected by disruptions to infrastructure, business processes and technology services, resulting from the unavailability of staff due to illness or the failure of third parties to supply services. This may cause significant customer detriment, costs to reimburse losses incurred by the Bank's customers, potential litigation costs (including regulatory fines, penalties and other sanctions), and reputational damage.

Under circular CBUAE/BSD/N/2020/2019, Central Bank introduced Targeted Economic Support Scheme ("TESS"), effective from 15th March 2020. In this circular, the Banks and finance companies were directed to offer payment deferral relief and extend maturities by the period of the relief to their respective borrowers who have been significantly affected by COVID-19.

Although the Bank has identified the most vulnerable sectors to this stressed situation in response to the COVID-19 outbreak (tourism, hospitality, aviation, real estate etc.) but none of the borrowers of the Bank requested for any relief under TESS scheme of the Central Bank.

3.2 Credit risk

Credit risk is defined as the risk that the Bank's customers, clients or counterparties or other financial instruments fail to perform, are unwilling to pay interest, repay the principal or otherwise to fulfil their contractual obligations under loan agreements or other credit facilities, thus causing the Bank to suffer a financial loss.

Credit risk also arises through the downgrading of counterparties, whose credit instruments are held by the Bank, thereby resulting in the value of the assets to fall. As credit risk is the Bank's most important risk, considerable resources, expertise and controls are devoted to managing this risk within the core departments of the Bank.

The Bank takes on exposure to credit risk, which is the risk that counterparty will cause a financial loss to the Bank by failing to discharge an obligation. Significant changes in the economy, or in the health of a particular industry segment that represents a concentration in the Bank's portfolio, could result in losses that are different from those provided for at the balance sheet date. Management, therefore, carefully manages its exposure to credit risk. Credit exposures arise principally in loans and advances and other receivables. There is also credit risk in off-balance sheet financial arrangements such as credit commitments.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.1 Credit risk management

The granting of credit is one of the Bank's major sources of income and is therefore one of its most significant risks, and the Bank dedicates considerable resources to control it effectively.

The Credit Risk function provides direction on credit risk-taking. These functional teams manage the resolution of all significant credit policy issues, approve credit decisions which fall within its delegated authority, engages with Head Office where appropriate and maintains governance and oversight on all credit risk related matters.

Each business segment has an embedded credit risk management team that assists in the formulation of the risk policy and its implementation across the respective businesses. Examples include ensuring that:

- Maximum exposure guidelines are in place relating to the exposures to any individual customer or counterparty;
- Policies are in place that limit lending to certain industrial sectors.

Those corporate accounts which are deemed to contain heightened levels of risk are recorded on graded problem loan lists known as "early warning lists". These are updated monthly and circulated to the relevant risk control points. Once listing has taken place, exposure is very carefully monitored and, where possible, exposure reductions are effected.

These lists are graded in line with the perceived severity of the risk attached to the lending. Businesses with exposure to corporate customers having increasing concern relate to one of the three categories (EWL1, EWL2 and EWL3). By the time an account becomes impaired it will normally, but not necessarily, have passed through all three categories, which reflect the need for ever-increasing caution and control.

Where an obligor's financial health gives grounds for concern, it is immediately placed into the appropriate category. All obligors are subject to a full review of all facilities on, at least, an annual basis. Interim reviews and quarterly reviews may be undertaken if circumstances dictate.

Within the retail portfolios, which tend to comprise homogeneous assets, statistical techniques more readily allow impairment to be monitored on a portfolio basis. Consistent with the Head Office's policy, an impairment allowance is raised as soon as an objective evidence of impairment is identified as a result of one or more loss events that have occurred after initial recognition.

Where models are used, they are based upon customer's personal and financial performance and industry norms over recent periods as a predictor for future performance. The models are reviewed regularly to monitor their robustness relative to actual performance and amended as necessary to optimise their effectiveness.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.1 Credit risk management (continued)

The Bank has implemented an internal rating framework known as Default Grade (DG). DG is a standard internal rating framework used across Barclays Group and is compliant with Basel-II AIRB requirements. In accordance with the framework customers are graded across 21 rating grades with each grade having a specified probability of default (PD) which can be mapped to equivalent of Moody's & S&P rating grade (for classified and write-offs it has additional grades beyond 21). Given that the rating methodology is an advanced methodology and grades are driven from a sophisticated model, there is no static mapping between internal grades to that of Moody's and S&P. However, as a proxy, the following table identifies the mapping of internal DGs with that of Moody's and S&P:

Default Grade	Wholesale lending Probability of default	Credit Quality Description
1-3	0.0-0.05%	
4-5	0.05-0.15%	Strong
6-8	0.15-0.30%	
9-11	0.30-0.60%	
12-14	0.60-2.15%	Satisfactory
15-19	2.15-11.35%	
20-21	11.35% to <100%	Higher Risk
22	100%	Credit Impaired

The Bank uses the external ratings where available to benchmark their internal credit risk assessment. Observed defaults per rating category vary year on year, especially over an economic cycle.

3.2.2 Risk limit control and mitigation policies

The Bank uses a wide variety of techniques to reduce credit risk on its lending. The most fundamental of these is performing an assessment of the ability of a borrower to service the proposed level of borrowing without distress. It is the Bank's policy to establish that loans are within the customer's capacity to repay, rather than to rely excessively on security and as a result, depending on the customer's standing and the type of product, facilities may be unsecured.

The Bank manages, limits and controls concentrations of credit risk wherever they are identified in particular, to individual counterparties and groups, and to industries and countries.

The credit risk is primarily managed by placing limits on the amount of risk accepted in relation to one borrower or groups of borrowers and to geographical and industry segments. Such risks are monitored on a revolving basis and are subject to an annual or more frequent review.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.2 Risk limit control and mitigation policies (continued)

Exposure to credit risk is also managed through regular analysis of the ability of borrowers and potential borrowers to meet interest and principal repayment obligations and by changing the lending limits where appropriate. Some other specific control and mitigation measures are outlined below.

(a) Collateral

When collateral is deemed appropriate, businesses are required to take specific, agreed classes of collateral and ensure that they are holding a correctly perfected charge. The principal collateral types are as follows:

- Personal sector mortgages over residential properties;
- Commercial and industrial sector charges over business assets such as premises, inventory and recoverables;
- Commercial real estate sector charges over the properties being financed.

Valuation of the collateral taken will be within agreed parameters and will be conservative in value. Within the corporate sectors, collateral for impaired loans including guarantees and insurance is reviewed regularly and at least annually, to ensure that it is still enforceable and that the impairment allowance remains appropriate given the current valuation. Where the collateral has decreased in value, an additional impairment allowance may be considered. Conversely, increases in collateral may result in a release of the impairment allowance.

(b) Derivatives

At any one time, the amount subject to credit risk is limited to the current fair value of instruments that are favourable to the Bank. In the case of forward exchange contracts the Bank is exposed to the notional amount should the counterparty fail to honor the contract. This credit risk exposure is managed as part of the overall lending limits with customers, together with potential exposures from market movements and entering into forward contracts with other banks, in the form of back to back contracts, commitment to purchase and sell a contract, resulting in limited credit exposure to the Bank.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.3 Amounts arising from Expected Credit Loss

Movement in gross exposure and expected credit loss

The following table presents a reconciliation of the opening to the closing balance of the exposure and expected credit loss.

	STA	STAGE 1	YLS ST	STAGE 2	YLS ST/	STAGE 3	T	Total
		Loss		Loss		Loss		Loss
	Exposure	allowance	Exposure	allowance	Exposure	allowance	Exposure	allowance
	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000	AED 000	ALD 000	2000	000 000
Balance as at 1 January 2020	5,985,508	(3,961)			109,563	(111,453)	6,095,071	(115,414)
Transfers to Stage 1	(789,744)	641	×		•6	¥0	(789,744)	641
Transfers to Stage 2	7		14,974	(18)	•	*	14,974	(18)
Transfers to Stage 3	•	((*))	17871	23#21	774,770	(623)	774,770	(623)
Net re-measurement of ECL arising from transfer of stage	٠	(*)		(284)		(695,654)	36	(695,938)
New financial assets originated or purchased	1,017,375	(414)	200	3540	3(40)	38481	1,017,375	(414)
Net drawdowns/repayments/ risk parameter changes and other	(299,716)	(8,980)	34,398	(29)	13,314	1,863	(252,004)	(7,146)
Asset derecognised due to write-offs	•	•:	•	e	(12,200)	12,200	(12,200)	12,200
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2020	5,913,423	(12,714)	49,372	(331)	885,447	(793,667)	6,848,242	(806,712)
Reconciliation of ECL movement to impairment								
(charge)/release for the period	•))	•0	Đ	ie:	ig:	40	•	NC.
ECL movement excluding assets derecognised due to disposals and write-off	3	(8,753)	î	(331)	34	(690,414)	٠	(703,498)
Net recoveries post write-offs	•	*.	-	e		947		947
Income statement release / (charge) for the year	9	(8,753)		(331)	•	(693,467)	٠	(702,551)

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Financial risk management (continued)

2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.3 Amounts arising from Expected Credit Loss (continued)

Movement in gross exposure and expected credit loss (continued)

	STA	STAGE 1	ZLS	STAGE 2	ST	STAGE 3		Total
		Loss		Loss		Loss		Loss
	Exposure	allowance	Exposure	allowance	Exposure	allowance	Exposure	allowance
	AED ,000	AED '000	AED'000	AED'000	AED,000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Balance as at 1 January 2019	5,515,645	(3,767)	40,536	(1,767)	214,416	(203,871)	5,770,597	(209,405)
Transfers to Stage 1	•	11.0			ė	•	•	•
Transfers to Stage 2	•		•	*	ì	- 40	*	. (*)
Transfers to Stage 3	*	(.5)	9	:*	3.34	97	ï	(10
New financial assets originated or purchased	723,936	(1,109)		×	è		723.936	(1.109)
Net drawdowns/repayments/ risk parameter changes and other	•							
movements	(254,073)	915	(40,536)	1,767	(63,169)	50,734	(357,778)	53,416
Asset derecognised due to write-offs	***	•	1	*:	(41,584)	41,684	(41,684)	41,684
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2019	5,985,508	(3,961)		*:	109,563	(111,453)	6,095,071	(115,414)
Reconciliation of ECL movement to impairment								
(charge)/release for the period								
ECL movement excluding assets derecognised due to disposals and								
write-off		(195)	ΙÓ	1,767	ě	50,734		52,306
Net recoveries post write-offs	3.	*	(*)			108		108
Income statement release / (charge) for the year		(195)	٠	1,767		50,842		52,414

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.3 Amounts arising from Expected Credit Loss (continued)

Movement in gross exposure and expected credit loss (continued)

Contingencies and commitments

	Loss allowance
	AED'000
Balance as at 1 January 2020	11,817
Movement in letters of credit, guarantees &	
acceptances and undrawn commitments	(2,508)
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2020*	9,309
Balance as at 1 January 2019	10,612
Movement in letters of credit, guarantees &	
acceptances and undrawn commitments	1,205
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2019*	11,817

^{*}ECL on off balance sheet exposures is booked under Other Liabilities (note 14)

3.2.4 Maximum exposure to credit risk before collateral held or other credit enhancements

The following table represents a worst case scenario of credit risk exposure to the Bank at 31 December 2020 and 2019 without taking into account any collateral held or other credit enhancements attached. For on and off balance sheet assets, the exposures set out below are based on gross amounts as reported in the balance sheet.

	Maximum	exposure
	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
On balance sheet:		
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank		
(excluding cash in hand)	3,270,927	3,583,518
Due from other banks	1,759,710	1,105,715
Due from Head Office and other branches	110,569	108,432
Loans and advances:		
 Loans to individual customers 	6,077	6,077
 Loans to corporate customers 	1,700,959	1,291,329
Other assets	2,221	114
Off balance sheet:		
Letters of credit	1,284,558	1,397,755
Guarantees and acceptances	1,326,484	1,664,693
Undrawn credit commitments	2,581,250	2,686,245
At 31 December	12,042,755	11,843,878

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.2 Credit risk (continued)
- 3.2.4 Maximum exposure to credit risk before collateral held or other credit enhancements (continued)

Management does not consider exposure on due from Head Office and other branches will result in any potential loss.

Management is confident in its ability to continue to control and minimise the loss arising from its exposure to credit risk resulting from its loans and advances portfolio and amounts due from banks based on the following:

- 24% (2019: 83%) of the loans and advances to corporate customers is categorised in the top grades of the Bank's internal grading system.
- Mortgage loans which represent 100% (2019: 100%) of the retail loans are backed by collateral.
- The Bank continuously reviews its credit policy and changes are made based on the management information system reports and the patterns that emerge from these reports.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.5 Financial instruments at amortised cost by product

The table below presents a breakdown of financial instruments at amortised cost and the impairment allowance with stage allocation by asset classification.

As	яt	31	December	2020

	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Gross exposure	AED'000	AED'000_	AED'000	AED'000
Cash and balances with the UAE				
Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	3,270,927	12	166	3,270,927
Due from other banks	1,723,224	36,486	2. **	1,759,710
Due from Head Office and other				
branches	110,569	-	135	110,569
Mortgages	-	ল	6,077	6,077
Corporate loans	809,191	12,898	878,870	1,700,959
Total	5,913,911	49,384	884,947	6,848,242
Expected Credit Loss				
Cash and balances with the UAE			-	
Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	(39)	2	_	(39)
Due from other banks	(574)	(29)	72	(603)
Due from Head Office and other	(07.1)	(=>)		(555)
branches	(10)	<u> </u>	-	(10)
Mortgages	()	-	(6,077)	(6,077)
Corporate loans	(12,093)	(303)	(787,587)	(799,983)
Total	(12,716)	(332)	(793,664)	(806,712)
Net exposure				
Cash and balances with the UAE				
Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	3,270,888	_	200	3,270,888
Due from other banks	1,722,650	36,457	951	1,759,107
Due from Head Office and other	1,722,030	30,437	8.5	1,739,107
branches	110,559			110,559
	110,559	5	(2	110,339
Mortgages Corporate loans	797,098	12,595	91,283	900,976
Total	5,901,195	49,052	91,283	6,041,530
A 0 6 6 5				
Coverage ratio				
Cash and balances with the UAE				
Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	0.00%	-	(<u>@</u> :	0.00%
Due from other banks	0.03%	0.08%	2.4	0.03%
Due from Head Office and other				
branches	0.01%		X.502	0.01%
Mortgages	-		100.00%	100.00%
Corporate loans	1.49%	2.35%	89.61%	47.03%
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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.5 Financial instruments at amortised cost by product (continued)

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	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Gross exposure	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Cash and balances with the UAE				
Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	3,583,518	(f.	9	3,583,518
Due from other banks	1,105,715	12	≅	1,105,715
Due from Head Office and other				
branches	108,432	(e	-	108,432
Mortgages	(-	-	6,077	6,077
Corporate loans	1,187,843	150	103,486	1,291,329
Total	5,985,508	1.5	109,563	6,095,071
Forested Condit I	-			
Expected Credit Loss	-		8	-
Cash and balances with the UAE				
Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	(44)	3-5	-	(44)
Due from other banks	(1,219)		=	(1,219)
Due from Head Office and other				
branches	(15)	-	8	(15)
Mortgages	V i	· •	(6,077)	(6,077)
Corporate loans	(2,683)		(105,376)	(108,059)
Total	(3,961)		(111,453)	(115,414)
Net exposure				
Cash and balances with the UAE		S	85	•
Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	3,583,474	12	2	3,583,474
Due from other banks	1,104,496		_	1,104,496
Due from Head Office and other	-,,			1,101,100
branches	108,417	-	-	108,417
Mortgages		-	-	:=:
Corporate loans	1,185,160	_	(1,890)	1,183,270
Total	5,981,547		(1,890)	5,979,657
G ti	-			
Coverage ratio			2	
Cash and balances with the UAE				
Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	0.00%	.	*	0.00%
Due from other banks	0.11%	5		0.11%
Due from Head Office and other				
branches	0.01%	~ <u>~</u>	×	0.01%
Mortgages	39	==	100.00%	100.00%
Corporate loans	0.23%		101.83%	8.37%

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- Financial risk management (continued)
- 2 Credit risk (continued)
- 3.2.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure

The following table breaks down the Bank's financial assets and off balance sheet items categorised by industry as at 31 December 2020 and 31 December 2019.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure (continued)

			Wholesale			
31 December 2019	Financial institutions	Construction	and retail	Other	Individuale	Total
	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
On balance sheet items						
Cash and balances with the UAE Central						
Bank (excluding cash in hand)	3,583,518		()(*		3,583,518
Due from other banks	1,105,715	*	•		Ĭ	1,105,715
Due from Head Office and other branches	108,432			*	Ĩ	108,432
Loans and advances to customers:						
Loans to individuals – Mortgages	3	*	10	1	6,077	6,077
Loans to corporate entities	*	31,027	305,089	955,213	•	1,291,329
Other assets	1	*		114	Ē	114
Total	4,797,665	31,027	305,089	955,327	6,077	6,095,185
Off balance sheet items						
Letters of credit	1,379,090	**	1,120	17,545	×	1,397,755
Guarantees and acceptances	661,375	*	301,633	701,685	Ī	1,664,693
Undrawn credit commitments	858,844	*	912,621	914,780	*	2,686,245
Total	2,899,309		1,215,374	1,634,010		5,748,693

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure (continued)

The following table breaks down the Bank's main credit exposure at their gross carrying amounts, as categorised by geographical regions as at 31 December 2020 and 31 December 2019.

For this table, the Bank has allocated exposures to regions based on the country of domicile of its counterparties:

24 D 1 2020	UAE	OECD	Asia	Others	Total AED'000
31 December 2020	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED 000
Cash and balances					
with the UAE Central					
Bank (excluding cash	2 252 225				2 270 227
in hand)	3,270,927	51.710	1 525 772	1 252	3,270,927
Due from other banks Due from Head Office	170,866	51,719	1,535,773	1,352	1,759,710
and other branches	40,781	69,779	9	_	110,569
Loans and advances	70,701	05,775	,		110,505
- Corporate loans	1,325,037	150,326	225,596	ŝ	1,700,959
- Retail loans	6,077			-	6,077
Other assets	2,221				2,221
Total	4,815,909	271,824	1,761,378	1,352	6,850,463
			·		
31 December 2019					
Cash and balances					
with the UAE Central					
Bank (excluding cash		×			
in hand)	3,583,518	(S=0	-	×	3,583,518
Due from other banks	20,269	70,487	1,012,609	2,350	1,105,715
Due from Head Office			_		
and other branches	52,180	45,592	8	10,652	108,432
Loans and advances	1 150 044	105 (07		10.050	1 201 220
- Corporate loans	1,152,844	125,627		12,858	1,291,329
- Retail loans Other assets	6,077 114	≔ %		-	6,077 114
Total	4,815,002	241,706	1,012,617	25,860	6,095,185
I Utal	-1,013,002	241,700	= 1,012,017		0,075,105

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Financial risk management (continued)

.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure (continued)

Concentration of credit risk by industry

The following table breaks down the Bank's credit exposures on loans and advances, due from banks, Head Office and other branches, cash and balances with UAE Central Bank and off balance sheet items categorised by industry as at 31 December 2020 and 31 December 2019.

		On balance sheet items	eet items			
			Cash and			
			balances with			
		Amounts due	the UAE			
		from banks, Head	Central Bank			
	Loans and	Office and other	(excluding		Off balance	
	advances	branches	cash in hand)	Total funded	sheet Items	Total
	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED,000	AED'000	AED'000
31 December 2020						
Crude oil, gas, mining & quarrying	1,459	•	į	1,459	666,687	668,146
Manufacturing	398		*	398	454,505	454,903
Construction	31,027	1	Ĭ.	31,027	ď	31,027
Trade	465,422	3 1	0	465,422	1,143,003	1,608,425
Transport, storage &						
communication	225,596	ABC	3 00	225,596	146,534	372,130
Financial institutions	j#0	1,870,279	3,270,927	5,141,206	2,467,460	7,608,666
Services	977,057	HeG	16	977,057	314,103	1,291,160
Retail and consumer banking	6,077	10		6,077	•	6,077
Total exposures	1,707,036	1,870,279	3,270,927	6,848,242	5,192,292	12,040,534

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.2 Credit risk (continued)

3.2.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure (continued)

Concentration of credit risk by industry (continued)

		On balance sheet items	eet items			
	i,		Cash and			
			balances with			
		Amounts due	the UAE			
		from banks, Head	Central Bank			
	Loans and	Office and other	(excluding		Off balance	
	advances	branches	cash in hand)	Total funded	sheet Items	Total
	AED '000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED,000	AED'000
31 December 2019						
Crude oil, gas, mining & quarrying	116	0.00	I eT	Direct Control	458,758	458,758
Manufacturing	1,166	T.	•2	1,166	465,960	467,126
Construction	31,027		•**	31,027	t:	31,027
Trade	305,089	1.		302,089	1,432,278	1,737,367
Transport, storage &						
communication	12,856	•	*	12,856	83,460	96,316
Financial institutions	4	1,214,147	3,583,518	4,797,665	2,899,309	7,696,974
Services	941,191	24	91	941,191	408,928	1,350,119
Retail and consumer banking	6,077		81	6,077	: •	6,077
Total exposures	1,297,406	1,214,147	3,583,518	6,095,071	5,748,693	11,843,764

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.2 Credit risk (continued)
- 3.2.6 Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure (continued)

The following table breaks down the Bank's credit exposures on loans and advances, due from banks, Head Office and other branches, cash and balances with UAE Central Bank and off balance sheet items categorised by maturity as at 31 December 2020 and 31 December 2019.

Concentration of credit risk by contractual maturity

		On balance sheet items	heet items		
	Loans and advances AED'000	Amounts due from banks, Head Office and other branches AED'000	Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank (excluding cash in hand)	Total funded AED'000	Total unfunded AED'000
31 December 2020 Less than 3 months 3 months to 1 year	454,927 284,373	460,986	269,697	1,185,610	1,287,884
One to five years Over five years	967,736	• •		967,736	808,473 9,268
Total exposures	1,707,036	1,870,279	3,270,927	6,848,242	5,192,292
31 December 2019 Less than 3 months 3 months to 1 year One to five years Over five years	393,228 97,026 807,152	877,595	3,074,307	4,345,130 942,789 807,152	1,161,030 3,742,033 836,071 9,559
I otal exposures	1,297,406	1,214,147	3,585,518	6,095,071	5,748,693

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.3 Market risk

The Bank takes on exposure to market risks, which is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risks arise from open positions in interest rate and currency, all of which are exposed to general and specific market movements and changes in the level of volatility of market rates or prices such as interest rates, credit spreads and foreign exchange rates. The Bank has a limited exposure over market risk, except interest rate risk which is explained in note 3.5 below.

The Assets Liability Forum (ALFO) is responsible to formalise the Bank's key financial indicators and ratios, set the thresholds to manage and monitor the market risk and also analyse the sensitivity of the Bank's interest rate and maturity mismatches. ALFO also guides the Bank's investment decisions and provides guidance in terms of interest rate and currency movements.

3.3.1 Market risk measurement techniques

The stress test technique provides an indication of the potential size of losses that could arise in extreme conditions. The stress tests carried out by the Bank's treasury include: risk factor stress testing, where stress movements are applied to each risk category; emerging market stress testing, where emerging market portfolios are subject to stress movements; and ad hoc stress testing, which includes applying possible stress events to specific positions or regions — for example, the stress outcome to a region following a currency peg break. The results of the stress tests are reviewed by senior management.

3.4 Foreign exchange risk

The Bank takes on exposure to the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing foreign currency exchange rates on its financial position and cash flows. The Head Office sets limits on the level of exposure by currency and in aggregate for both overnight and intra-day positions, which are monitored daily. The table below summarises the Bank's financial instruments at carrying amounts, categorised by currency.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Financial risk management (continued)

3.4 Foreign exchange risk (continued)

3.4.1 Foreign exchange risk

31 December 2020 Assets	AED AED'000	USD AED'000	EUR AED'000	GBP AED'000	Other AED:000	Total AED'000
Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank	3,287,434	98	4	(6)		3,287,524
Due from other banks	7,446	1,700,409	46,295	ij.	5,560	1,759,710
Due from Head Office and other branches	34,787	21,348	50,292	4,133	6	110,569
Loans and advances	502,299	1,204,737	•			1,707,036
Other assets	2,221	٠	•	•	ì	2,221
Total financial assets	3,834,187	2,926,580	96,591	4,133	5,569	6,867,060
Liabilities						
Due to other banks	5,132	â.	•	•		5,132
Due to customers	309,530	2,427,959	95,224	4,139		2,841,576
Due to Head Office and other branches	504,077	495,862	•	11		1,012,948
Other liabilities		44,704	1,043	•6		45,751
Total financial liabilities	818,739	2,968,525	96,267	4,150		3,905,407
Net on-balance sheet financial position	3,015,448	(41,945)	324	(17)	(12,157)	2,961,653

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Financial risk management (continued)

3.4 Foreign exchange risk (continued)

3.4.1 Foreign exchange risk (continued)

31 December 2019	AED AED'000	USD AED'000	EUR AED'000	GBP AED'000	Other AED'000	Total AED'000
Assets Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank Due from other banks Due from Head Office and other branches	3,527,290 651 29,211	78,979 1,019,233 42,722	72,883 10,103	26,396	12,948	3,606,269 1,105,715 108,432
Loans and advances Other assets Total financial assets	274,222 114 3,831,488	1,023,184	82,986	26,396	12,948	1,297,406 114 6,117,936
Liabilities Due to other banks Due to customers Due to Head Office and other branches Other liabilities Total financial liabilities Net on-balance sheet financial position	261,466 458,882 67,473 787,821 3,043,667	2,138,160 95,503 2,233,663 (69,545)	82,729 - - 82,729 257	29,024	738 12,083 - 12,821 127	2,512,117 566,468 67,473 3,146,058 2,971,878

The Bank has limited exposure to foreign exchange risk as most of the foreign currency financial instruments are either in US Dollar or in currencies pegged to US Dollars. Liabilities received in other currencies, mainly EUR and GBP, are placed with Barclays Group or swapped into AED via foreign exchange swaps to remain compliant with the Central Bank regulation on managing large exposures.

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

- Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.4 Foreign exchange risk (continued)
- 3.4.2 Sensitivity of currency risk

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ourchases / (Sales)	2,6/0 (1)
Net exposure 257	2 10 4 20

All the currencies pegged with US Dollar are excluded from the above analysis.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Financial risk management (continued)

3.5 Interest rate risk

Fair value interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Bank takes on exposure to the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates on both its fair value and cash flow risks. Interest margins may increase as a result of such changes but may reduce losses in the event that unexpected movements arise. The ALFO sets limits on the level of mismatch of interest rate re-pricing that may be undertaken, which is monitored daily by Treasury. The table below summarises the Bank's exposure to interest rate risks. It includes the Bank's financial instruments at carrying amounts, categorised by the earlier of contractual re pricing or maturity Cash flow interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

	Up to			6-12	Non-interest	
	1 month	1-3 months	3-6 months	months	bearing	Total
31 December 2020	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Assets Cash and Balances with the						
UAE Central Bank	Ē	•	3,000,000	*	287,524	3,287,524
Due from other banks	60,211	298,136	683,994	711,813	5,556	1,759,710
Due from Head Office and						
other branches	7,357	8,180	22,935	2,309	69,788	110,569
Loans and advances	585,275	740,369	378,947	•	2,445	1,707,036
Other assets	3	1	•		2,221	2,221
Total financial assets	652,843	1,046,685	4,085,876	714,122	367,534	6,867,060
Liabilities						
Due to other banks	Ŷ	*	ř	*	5,132	5,132
Due to customers	1,342,871	148,520	595,026	3	755,159	2,841,576
Due to Head Office and other						
branches	495,855	X#	i	4	517,093	1,012,948
Other liabilities	•		•	Ag	45,751	45,751
Total financial liabilities	1,838,726	148,520	595,026	ı	1,323,135	3,905,407
Interest sensitivity gap	(1,185,883)	898,165	3,490,850	714,122	(955,601)	2,961,653

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Financial risk management (continued)

3.5 Interest rate risk (continued)

31 December 2019	Up to 1 month AED'000	1-3 months AED,000	3-6 months AED:000	6-12 months	Non-interest bearing AED:000	Total
	2,350,000	7:	200,000	X	756,269	3,606,269
	80,760	708,573	224,557	91,825		1,105,715
	54,173	11,619	11,366	1	31,274	108,432
	270,363	802,339	224,704		•	1,297,406
- 1	•	3■	•		114	114
	2,755,296	1,522,531	960,627	91,825	787,657	6,117,936
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	497,120	92,877	1,145,976	æ	776,144	2,512,117
	95,497		ű	3 E	470,971	566,468
- 4	,	*	•	:1	67,473	67,473
	592,617	92,877	1,145,976	a	1,314,588	3,146,058
	2,162,679	1,429,654	(185,349)	91,825	(526,931)	2,971,878

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.5 Interest rate risk (continued)

The table below summarises the average interest rate on the outstanding interest bearing balances by major currencies for monetary financial instruments:

	AED	USD	EUR
	%	%	%
31 December 2020			
Assets			
Deposits with Central Bank	0.14		
Bills discounted	1.92	1.35	0.71
Due from Head Office and other branches	3.14	2.84	2.50
Loans and advances	4.33	2.75	-
Liabilities			
Due to Head Office and other branches	<u>ē</u>	0.50	-
Due to customers	0.07	0.45	-
31 December 2019			
Assets			
Deposits with Central Bank	1.94	= //	=
Bills discounted	2.64	3.08	0.66
Due from Head Office and other branches	=	3 0	-
Loans and advances	5.84	4.46	-
Liabilities			
Due to Head Office and other branches	=	1.75	<u> </u>
Due to customers	1.09	2.11	=

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.5 Interest rate risk (continued)

Interest rate risk is also assessed by measuring the impact of reasonable possible change in interest rate movements. The Bank assumes a fluctuation in interest rates of 25 basis points (bps) as being reasonable and estimates the following impact on the interest income and interest expense for the year:

	Interest income	Interest expense
31 December 2020	AED'000	AED'000
Fluctuation in yield by 25 bps	6,240	3,879
31 December 2019 Fluctuation in yield by 25 bps	2,725	3,989

The above sensitivity is calculated based on Interest Rate sensitivity per basis point metric and assumes instantaneous parallel change to forward interest rate curves. The model does not apply floors to shocked market rates and does not recognizes the interest rate floors where relevant and balances are adjusted for assumed behavioral profiles (e.g. Structural Interest rate hedges balances). It does not incorporate actions that could be taken by management to mitigate the effect of interest rate movements.

3.6 Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Bank is unable to meet its payment obligations associated with its financial liabilities when they fall due and to replace funds when they are withdrawn. The consequence may be the failure to meet obligations to repay depositors and fulfil commitments to lend

The Bank manages its liquidity in accordance with Central Bank of the U.A.E. requirements and the Bank's internal guidelines mandated by ALFO. The Central Bank of the U.A.E. has reserve requirements on deposits ranging between 1% and 7% on demand and time deposits. The Central Bank of the U.A.E. also imposes mandatory 1:1 advances to deposit ratio whereby loans and advances (combined with inter-bank placements having a remaining term of greater than three months) should not exceed stable funds as defined by the Central Bank of the U.A.E. ALFO monitors liquidity ratios on a regular basis and for covering the risk of any mismatch in liquidity, Head Office funding is available for the Dubai Branch.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.6 Liquidity risk (continued)

The table below presents the cash flows payable by the Bank by remaining contractual maturity at the balance sheet date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Total	Gross			
Liquidity risk	carrying	nominal	Up to 3	3 - 12	1 - 5
	amount	outflows	Months	months	years
Liabilities	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
31 December 2020					
Due to other banks	5,132	5,132	5,132	•	7,5
Due to customers	2,841,576	2,842,633	2,246,813	595,820	9≨9
Due to Head Office and					
other branches	1,012,948	1,012,968	1,012,968	(30)	9(₩)
Other liabilities	49,517	49,517	48,414	344	759
	3,909,173	3,910,250	3,313,327	596,164	759
31 December 2019					
Due to other banks	74	ä	-	S=0	97
Due to customers	2,512,117	2,522,269	1,363,504	1,158,765	0;€
Due to Head Office and					
other branches	566,468	566,473	566,473		-
Other liabilities	71,108	71,108	69,499	363	1,246
	3,149,693	3,159,850	1,999,476	1,159,128	1,246

The Bank's derivatives that will be settled on a gross basis include foreign exchange contracts.

The table below analyses the Bank's derivative financial instruments that will be settled on a gross basis into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the balance sheet to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Up to 1 month AED'000	1-3 months AED'000	3-12 months AED'000	1-5 years AED'000	Total AED'000
31 December 2020 Foreign exchange contracts					
Outflow	65,009		-	<u> </u>	65,009
– Inflow	65,009	-			65,009
31 December 2019					
Foreign exchange contracts					
Outflow	122,794_	(-)			122,794
- Inflow	122,826		7.5	/#	122,826

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.6 Liquidity risk (continued)

Off-balance sheet items	No later		
	than 1 year	1-5 years	Total
	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
31 December 2020			
Letter of credit, guarantees and			
acceptances	1,856,375	754,667	2,611,042
Undrawn credit commitments	2,518,176	63,074	2,581,250
Total	4,374,551	817,741	5,192,292
31 December 2019			
Letter of credit, guarantees and			
acceptances	2,216,819	845,629	3,062,448
Undrawn credit commitments	2,686,245	396	2,686,245
Total	4,903,064	845,629	5,748,693

3.7 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

(a) Definition

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date in the principal, or in its absence, the most advantageous market to which the Bank has access at that date. The fair value of a liability reflects its non-performance risk.

The Bank has determined that the fair value of its current financial assets and liabilities not measured at fair value approximates its carrying amount as at the year end.

Fair value hierarchy

When measuring the fair value of an asset or liability the Bank uses observable market data whenever available. Fair values are classified within the fair value hierarchy based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole, as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. This level includes listed equity securities and debt instruments on exchanges (for example, Dubai Financial Market, Nasdaq Dubai, Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange) and exchanges traded derivatives like futures (for example: Nasdaq, S&P 500).
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices). This level includes the majority of the OTC derivative contracts, traded loans and issued structured debt. The sources of input parameters like LIBOR / EIBOR yield curve or counterparty credit risk are Bloomberg and Reuters.

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.7 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities (continued)

(a) Definition (continued)

Fair value hierarchy (continued)

• Level 3 – Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs). This level includes equity investments and debt instruments with significant unobservable components. This hierarchy requires the use of observable market data when available. The Bank considers relevant and observable market prices in its valuations where possible.

(b) Financial instruments not measured at fair value

The following table sets out the fair values of financial instruments not measured at fair value and analyses them by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which each fair value measurement is categorised. The fair values are not materially different from their carrying amounts.

At 31 December 2020	Level 1 AED'000	Level 2 AED'000	Level 3 AED'000	Total AED'000
Financial assets				
Cash and balances with the				
UAE Central Bank	3#3	3,287,485	9#6	3,287,485
Due from other banks	·	18,000	1,741,107	1,759,107
Due from Head Office and				
other branches		69,779	40,780	110,559
Loans and advances	-	8	900,976	900,976
Other assets		2,221		2,221
Total	-	3,377,485	2,682,863	6,060,348
Financial liabilities	====	7		
Due to other banks	 8	5,132	5 7 2	5,132
Due to customers	2 €10	2,841,576		2,841,576
Due to Head Office and other				
branches	960	1,012,948	:	1,012,948
Other liabilities		45,751	, <u> </u>	45,751
Total	(*)	3,905,407		3,905,407

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.7 Fair value of financial assets and liabilities (continued)

(b) Financial instruments not measured at fair value (continued)

At 31 December 2019	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
771	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Financial assets				
Cash and balances with the				
UAE Central Bank	85	3,606,225	<u>>=</u> 2	3,606,225
Due from other banks	0.55	12,512	1,091,984	1,104,496
Due from Head Office and				
other branches	7 =	78,435	29,982	108,417
Loans and advances	8	≆ 6	1,183,270	1,183,270
Other assets	32	114	-	114
Total		3,697,286	2,305,236	6,002,522
Financial liabilities				
Due to other banks	-	4	\ <u>-</u>	_
Due to customers		2,512,117		2,512,117
Due to Head Office and other				
branches		566,468	2.5	566,468
Other liabilities		67,473	<u> </u>	67,473
Total		3,146,058	3-	3,146,058

(c) Financial instruments measured at fair value

The assets measured at fair value as per the hierarchy as at 31 December 2020 and 31 December 2019 are disclosed in the table below:

	Level 1 AED'000	Level 2 AED'000	Level 3 AED'000	Total AED'000
31 December 2020 Financial assets Foreign currency forwards		<u></u>	±	Th.
Financial liabilities: Foreign currency forwards		- E		
	Level 1 AED'000	Level 2 AED'000	Level 3 AED'000	Total AED'000
31 December 2019 Financial assets				
Foreign currency forwards Financial liabilities:		14		14
Foreign currency forwards		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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3 Financial risk management (continued)

3.8 Capital management

The CBUAE issued Basel III capital regulations, which came into effect from 1 February 2017 introducing minimum capital requirements at three levels, namely Common Equity Tier 1 ('CET1'), Additional Tier 1 ('AT1') and Total Capital.

The minimum capital adequacy requirements as set out by the Central Bank are as follows:

- Minimum common equity tier 1 (CET 1) ratio of 7% of risk weighted assets (RWAs).
- Minimum tier 1 ratio of 8.5% of RWAs.
- Total capital adequacy ratio of 10.5% of RWAs.

The table below summarizes the composition of regulatory capital and the ratios of the Bank as per BASEL III guidelines and has complied with all of the externally imposed capital requirements which it is subject to:

	2020	2019
Title 1	AED'000	AED'000
Tier 1 capital	2,540,214	2,540,214
Allocated capital	141,956	141,956
Legal reserve		160,177
Accumulated profit	(521,842)	
Eligible Tier 1 capital	2,160,328_	2,842,347_
Deductions:		
Deferred tax assets	(18,253)	(3,390)
Total deductions	(18,253)	(3,390)
Tier 1 capital	2,142,075	2,838,957
Tier 2 capital		
General provision	33,680_	36,021
Total regulatory capital	2,175,755	2,874,978
Disk Weighted Assets		
Risk Weighted Assets	2 694 400	2 881 651
Credit risk	2,694,400 741	2,881,651 371
Credit risk Market risk	741	371
Credit risk Market risk Operational risk	741 262,548	371 274,246
Credit risk Market risk	741	371
Credit risk Market risk Operational risk Total risk weighted assets	741 262,548	371 274,246
Credit risk Market risk Operational risk	741 262,548 2,957,689	371 274,246 3,156,268

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Financial risk management (continued)

3.8 Capital management (continued)

3.8.1 Analysis of branch's exposure based on Basel III standardised approach

Credit Risk Mitigation (CRM)

	On and Off balance				
	sheet gross outstanding	Exposure before CRM	CRM	After CCF	Risk weighted Assets
	AED'000	AED:000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
31 December 2020					
Claims on sovereigns	3,270,926	3,270,926	Ñ	3,270,926	E;
Claims on banks	4,350,182	4,350,182	ř	3,216,384	1,352,105
Claims on corporates &					
GRE	3,537,483	3,537,483	3,932	1,306,899	1,209,990
Past due loans	961,932	98,276	ã	96,928	96,928
Other assets	51,974	51,974	ě	51,974	35,377
Total claims	12,172,497	11,308,841	3,932	7,943,111	2,694,400
Of which:					
Rated exposure	9,466,290				
Unrated exposure	2,706,207				
Total exposure	12,172,497				

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Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Financial risk management (continued)

3.8 Capital management (continued)

3.8.1 Analysis of branch's exposure based on Basel III standardised approach (continued)

		Credit F	Credit Risk Mitigation (CRM)	(RM)	
	On and Off balance sheet gross	Exposure			Risk weighted
	outstanding	before CRM	CRM	After CCF	Assets
	AED,000	AED,000	AED,000	AED'000	AED'000
31 December 2019					
Claims on sovereigns	3,583,518	3,583,518	3	3,583,518	9
Claims on banks	4,113,456	4,113,456	*	2,533,622	1,126,943
Claims on corporates & GRE	4,033,088	4,033,088	13,733	1,748,417	1,734,684
Past due loans	136,603	(1,891)	*	(1,891)	(1,891)
Other assets	44,666	44,666	*	44,666	21,915
Total claims	11,911,331	11,772,837	13,733	7,908,332	2,881,651
Of which:					
Rated exposure	7,600,247				
Unrated exposure	4,311,084				
Total exposure	11,911,331				

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- 3 Financial risk management (continued)
- 3.8 Capital management (continued)

3.8.2 Capital requirement for market risk under standardised approach as at 31 December

	Risk weigh	Risk weighted assets		charge
	2020	2019	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Market risk				
Foreign exchange risk	741_	371	78_	39

Capital charge for year ended 31 December 2020 has been calculated at 10.5% (2019: 10.5%).

3.8.3 Gross exposures and credit risk mitigation

	Exposures		Risk weigl	nted assets
	2020	2019	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Gross exposure prior to credit risk mitigation Less: Exposures covered by	11,308,841	11,772,837	2,694,400	2,881,651
eligible financial collateral	(3,932)	(13,733)		-
Net exposures after credit risk mitigation	11,304,909	11,759,104	2,694,400	2,881,651

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4 Cash and balances with the UAE Central Bank

	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Cash in hand (note 26) With UAE Central Bank in:	16,597	22,751
Current account (note 26)	(■)	606,124
Statutory deposit	269,697	100,606
Certificate of deposits	3,001,230	2,876,788
•	3,287,524	3,606,269
Expected credit loss	(39)	(44)
	3,287,485	3,606,225

The current account balances are transferred to statutory deposit account at the end of the day as part of overnight sweeping mechanism introduced by UAE Central Bank. The statutory deposit with the UAE Central bank is not available to finance the day to day operations of the Bank. Cash in hand, current account and statutory deposit with the UAE Central Bank are non-interest bearing balances.

5 Due from other banks

	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
Current accounts (note 26)	18,000	12,939
Bills discounted	1,741,710	1,092,776
	1,759,710	1,105,715
Expected credit loss	(603)	(1,219)
	1,759,107	1,104,496

6 Due from Head Office and other branches

	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
Current accounts (note 26)	67,493	47,159
Other receivables	2,286	31,276
Bills discounted	40,790	29,997
	110,569	108,432
Expected credit loss	(10)	(15)
	110,559	108,417

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7 Loans and advances

7(a) Loans and advances

	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
Corporate loans	1,700,959	1,291,329
Retail loans	6,077	6,077
Total loans and advances (note 7(b))	1,707,036	1,297,406
Expected credit loss	(806,060)	(114,136)
Net loans and advances	900,976	1,183,270
7(b) Analysis of loans and advances		
	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
Loan to individual retail customers		
Mortgages	6,077	6,077
Loan to corporate entities	1,700,959	1,291,329
Total loans and advances	1,707,036	1,297,406
8 Other assets		
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	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Prepayments	346	911
Other receivables	2,221	114
	2,567	1,025

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9 Property and equipment

	Leasehold improveme nts AED'000	Other assets AED'000	Assets under construction AED'000	Right-of - use assets AED'000	Total AED'000
Cost	ALDD OOG	1122 000			
At 1 January 2019 Recognition of right-of-	1,484	16,730	3,377	120	21,591
use assets on initial				4 000	1 000
application of IFRS 16				1,998	1,998
Adjusted balance as at 1					
January 2019	1,484	16,730	3,377	1,998	23,589
Write off	(1,484)	(2,842)	2.4721.00000	-	(4,326)
Transfer		3,377_	(3,377)		
At 31 December 2019	•	17,265	<u> </u>	1,998	19,263
Accumulated depreciation At 1 January 2019 Charge for the year Write off	(146) (45) 191	(5,195) (2,638) 2,338		(421)	(5,341) (3,104) 2,529
At 31 December 2019		(5,495)		(421)	(5,916)
Net book amount At 31 December 2019		11,770	-	1,577	13,347
Cost					
At 1 January 2020	02	17,265	:-	1,998	19,263
Write off	÷	()=)		(234)	(234)
Transfer	(**)	V.		-	J.E.
At 31 December 2020		17,265		1,764	19,029
Accumulated depreciation At 1 January 2020	7-	(5,495)		(421)	(5,916) (3,262)
Charge for the year		(2,878)		(384)	(3,262)
At 31 December 2020	-	(8,373)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(805)	(9,178)
Net book amount					
At 31 December 2020	/=	8,892	-	959	9,851

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10 Deferred income tax assets

Deferred income taxes are calculated on all temporary differences under the liability method using an effective tax rate of 20%.

The movement on the deferred income tax account is as follows:

	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
A. 4 *	2.200	
At 1 January	3,390	2,893
Additions during the year	15,186	2,681
Utilisation during the year	(323)	(141)
Written off during the year	<u> </u>	(2,043)
At 31 December	18,253	3,390
Deferred income tax assets are attributable to the follow	wing items:	
	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
Provision for corporate loan impairment	2,591	777
Provision for suspended interest	11,500	2,613
	· ·	2,013
Other Accruals and provisions	4,162	-
	18,253	3,390

Deferred income tax assets are recognised only to the extent that realisation of the related tax benefit is probable.

18,253

11 Due to other banks

Deferred tax asset to be recovered

Deferred tax assets:

	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Current accounts	5,132	_
	5,132	

3,390

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

12 Due to customers

	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Current accounts	644,919	510,582
Call deposits	718,035	455,099
Term deposits	1,478,622	1,546,436
•	2,841,576	2,512,117

At 31 December 2020, term deposits amounting to AED 3.10 million (2019: AED 6.35 million) were held as cash collateral for loans and advances granted to and commitments made on behalf of customers.

13 Due to Head Office and other branches

	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Term deposits	495,862	95,503
Current accounts	420,050	426,786
Call accounts	37,655	23,909
Others	59,381	20,270
	1,012,948	566,468
14 Other liabilities	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Bills payable	28,952	27,023
Deferred income	2,403	2,404
Provision for End of service benefits (note 14(a))	1,363	1,231
Expected credit loss on unfunded exposures	9,309	11,817
Income tax payable	<u>≅</u> 7	14,363
Others	7,490	14,270_
	49,517	71,108

Others include a provision of AED 3.07 million (2019: AED 8.10 million) representing management's estimate of a claim related to the exit of the retail banking business.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

14 Other liabilities (continued)

(a) Provision for end of service benefits

	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Balance brought forward	1,231	1,289
Add: Charge during the year	192	212
Less: Payments during the year	(60)	(270)
Balance carried forward	1,363	1,231

(b) Provision for employees' end of service benefits

In accordance with the provisions of IAS 19, management has carried out an exercise to assess the present value of its obligations at 31 December 2020, using the projected unit credit method, in respect of employees' end of service benefits payable under the UAE Labour Law. Under this method, an assessment has been made of an employees' expected service life with the Bank and the expected basic salary at the date of leaving the service. Management has assumed average increment/promotion costs to be 3.19% in 2020 (2019: 3.81 %). The expected liability at the date of leaving the service has been discounted to its net present value using a discount rate of 0.93% (2019: 1.86 %).

15 Allocated capital

In accordance with the UAE Union Law Number (10) of 1980, as amended, allocated capital represents the amount of an interest free deposit provided by the Head Office.

16 Reserves

(a) Legal reserve

In accordance with Article 82 of the UAE Union Law Number (10) of 1980, as amended, 10% of the profit for the year is required to be transferred to a legal reserve which is non-distributable. Allocations to this reserve are required to be made until such time as the balance in this reserve equals 50% of the allocated capital. This reserve is not available for distribution.

(b) General reserve

The Bank has created a special reserve titled as 'General reserve' in lieu of the general provision required to be created in accordance with the "Circular No 28/2010" issued by the UAE Central Bank. The Bank assesses the general provision requirement annually at each balance sheet date. Based on this assessment, general reserve of AED 19.29 million was required as at 31 December 2020 (2019: AED 28.13 million) and thus an amount of AED 8.83 million was released from general reserve under statement of movements in Head Office account and reserves during the year ended 31 December 2020 (2019: a charge of AED 5.93 million was recorded in general reserve).

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16 Reserves (continued)

(b) General reserve (continued)

Impairment reserve under the Central Bank of UAE (CBUAE) guidance

The CBUAE has issued its IFRS 9 guidance addressing various implementation challenges and practical implications for Banks adopting IFRS 9 in the UAE ("guidance").

Pursuant to clause 6.4 of the guidance, the reconciliation between general and specific provision under Circular 28/2010 of CBUAE and IFRS 9 is as follows:

	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
Allowances for impairment losses: General		
General provisions under Circular 28/2010 of CBUAE	41,654	43,908
Less: Stage 1 and Stage 2 provisions under IFRS 9	22,357	15,778
General provision transferred to the impairment reserve*	19,297	28,130
Allowances for impairment losses: Specific		
Specific provisions under Circular 28/2010 of CBUAE	793,664	111,453
Less: Stage 3 provisions under IFRS 9	793,664	111,453
Specific provision transferred to the impairment reserve*	<u> </u>	
Total provision transferred to the impairment reserve	19,297	28,130

^{*}In the case where provisions under IFRS 9 exceed provisions under CBUAE, no amount shall be transferred to the impairment reserve.

17 Contingencies and commitments

	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
Letters of credit	1,284,558	1,397,755
Guarantees and acceptances	1,326,484	1,664,693
Undrawn credit commitments	2,581,250	2,686,245
e	5,192,292	5,748,693

The primary purpose of these instruments is to ensure that funds are available to a customer as required. Guarantees and standby letters of credit, which represent irrevocable assurances that the Bank will make payments in the event that a customer cannot meet his obligations to third parties, carry the same credit risk as loans and advances. Documentary and commercial letters of credit, which are written undertakings by the Bank on behalf of a customer's authorising a third party to draw drafts on the Bank up to a stipulated amount under specific terms and conditions, are collateralised by the underlying shipments of goods to which they relate and therefore have less risk. Cash requirements under guarantees and standby letters of credit are considerably less than the amount of the commitment because the Bank does not generally expect the third party to draw funds under the agreement.

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18 Forward foreign exchange contracts

Forward foreign exchange contracts (FECs) comprise commitments to purchase and sell foreign and domestic currencies on behalf of customers and in respect of the Bank's proprietary activities and undelivered spot transactions. The Bank has entered into the following forward exchange transactions which have been marked to market:

	Contractual/ notional amount AED'000	Assets AED'000	Liabilities AED'000
31 December 2020	65,009		
31 December 2019	122,826	14	
19 Interest income			
		2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Loans and advances Bills discounted Certificate of deposits Deposits with Head Office (note 27)		34,913 22,112 18,951 541 76,517	47,670 42,590 71,166 5,689
20 Interest expense			
		2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Deposits from Head Office (note 27) Due to customers		384 19,518 19,902	901 40,725 41,626
21 Fee and commission inco	me		
		2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Documentary credits and guarantees		16,202	12,437
Loan fees Other commission		6,354	3,673
One commission		9,012 31,568	11,671 27,781

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22 Operating expenses

	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Staff costs (note 22 (a))	5,221	4,613
Travelling	145	231
Rent	475	1,183
Postage and communication	1,908	2,683
Marketing and advertising	96	188
Depreciation (note 9)	3,262	3,104
Expenses incurred by related parties on behalf of the		
Branch (note 27)	63,090	59,411
Expenses incurred by the Branch on behalf of related		
parties (note 27)	(4,542)	(3,859)
Salaries paid to outsourced staff	7,003	5,277
Other	7,409	10,596
	84,067	83,427
22(a) Staff costs		
 (<i>u</i>) 230 <i>y</i>) 23002	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
Salaries and allowances	2,313	2,700
Other staff costs	2,908	1,913
One buil voice	5,221	4,613

23 Restructuring costs

During 2016, the Bank recognised certain restructuring expenses arising as a result of the decision to change the operating model of the UAE branches. These provisions were recognized in accordance with the requirments of IAS 37 and the remaining provisions were fully released in 2019. The provision for the year ended 31 December 2020 is nil. (2019: nil).

The movement of such restructuring provision is summarised below:

	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Balance brought forward	*	784
Release during the year Balance carried forward		(784)

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24 Income tax

	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Current taxes on income during the reporting period	s ≡	14,363
Adjustment in respect of prior year	11,543	790
Total current tax expense	11,543	14,363
Deferred tax credit	(14,864)	(497)
Income tax expense	(3,321)	13,866

The income tax rate applicable to the Bank's 2020 income is 20% (2019: 20%).

Further information about deferred income tax is presented in note 10. The tax on the Bank's profit before tax differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the basic tax rate of the Bank as follows:

	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
(Loss) / Profit before taxation	(694,173)	128,220
Tax calculated at the base tax rate of the Bank	(138,835)	25,644
Effect of:		
Release of Interest in suspense disallowed in prior years		
for which no deferred tax was recognised	(269)	(48)
Release of Corporate general provision disallowed in		
prior years for which no deferred tax was recognised	1	(910)
Release of Corporate specific provision disallowed in		
prior years for which no deferred tax was recognised	(2,839)	(1)
Info fort provision disallowed in prior years for which		
no deferred tax was recognised	(1,005)	(1,266)
Restructuring expenses disallowed in prior years for		
which no deferred tax was recognised	(4)	(157)
Provision disallowed in prior year for which no		
deferred tax was recognised	-	(3)
Unused tax losses for which no deferred tax is		
recognised	132,988	120
Abu Dhabi Branch deferred tax assets written off		
during the year		2,043
Other provisions disallowed in prior years for which no		
deferred tax was recognised	(714)	.):
Other Provisions for which deferred tax is recognised		
during the year	(4,161)	-
Brought forward loss from previous year	(49)	(11,605)
Prior year adjustments	11,543	_
Other temporary differences	(29)	1
Income tax expense	(3,321)	13,866
Effective tax rate		11%

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

25 Leases

The Bank leases branch premises for a period of 5 years, with an option to renew the lease after that date. Payments are renegotiated every five years to reflect market rentals.

The Bank also leases IT equipment with contract terms of one to three years. The leases are short-term and/or leases of low-value items. The Bank has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for these leases.

i. Lease liability

	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
As at 1 January	1,732	1,888
Adjustment for rent free period	(234)	
Interest expense	48	63
Cash payments	(328)	(219)
As at 31 December	1,218	1,732

The lease liability is included in Other liabilities as at 31 December. Refer note 3.6 for maturity analysis of Other liabilities as at 31 December.

ii. Amounts recognised in profit or loss

Leases under IFRS 16	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Interest on lease liabilities Expenses relating to short term leases	48	63 181
Expenses relating to leases of low-value assets, excluding short-term leases of low-value assets	26	30

iii. Amounts recognised in statement of cash flows

	2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
Total cash outflow for leases	328	219

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

26 Cash and cash equivalents for statement of cash flow

2020 AED'000	2019 AED'000
16,597	22,751
(\$\infty\)	606,124
18,000	12,939
67,493	47,159
102,090	688,973
	16,597 18,000 67,493

27 Related party transactions

Related parties comprise the Head Office, subsidiaries and branches of the Head Office and key management personnel.

During the year, the Branch entered into transactions with related parties in the ordinary course of business at mutually agreed terms and conditions. In addition to the balances noted in the assets and liabilities of the Bank at the year end, the following transactions were carried out on normal commercial terms and conditions.

	2020	2019
	AED'000	AED'000
Transactions during the year:		
Interest income (note 19)	541	5,689
Interest expense (note 20)	384	901
Operating expenses include:		
Expenses incurred by related parties on behalf of the Branch		
(note 22)	63,090	59,411
Expenses incurred by the Branch on behalf of related parties		
(note 22)	4,542	3,859
Due from Head Office and other branches (note 6)	110,559	108,417
Due to Head Office and other branches (note 13)	1,012,948	566,468

Key management personnel include employees of other entities within the Barclays Group with management responsibilities for the branch. Remuneration of such employees are booked in the respective employing entity of the Barclays Group.