

STATEMENT TO THE NIGERIAN STOCK EXCHANGE AND SHAREHOLDERS ON THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER, 2011

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the Group's unaudited results for the third quarter ended 30 September, 2011

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

	GRO	GROUP		
	Unaudited September, 2011	Audited December, 2010		
ASSETS	N'million	N'million		
Cash and balances with central banks	201,148	68,056		
Treasury bills	181,097	123,455		
Due from other banks	302,045	302,272		
Loans and advances to customers	705,289	628,811		
Investment securities	506,903	384,453		
Investment in associate	9,247	9,179		
Investment in joint venture	1,123	939		
Goodwill	3,479	3,479		
Deferred tax assets	3,736	3,341		
Other assets	50,837	28,511		
Property and equipment	60,475	65,200		
TOTAL ASSETS	2,025,379	1,617,696		
LIABILITIES				
Customers' deposits and managed funds	1,537,885	1,300,261		
Due to other banks	31,347	7,456		
Other borrowings	187,917	82,144		
Other liabilities	74,424	48,409		
Shareholders' funds and non-controlling interest	193,806	179,426		
TOTAL LIABILITIES & SHAREHOLDERS' FUND	2,025,379	1,617,696		
Off-Balance sheet engagements and contingencies	914,598	654,360		
BALANCE SHEET SIZE	2,939,977	2,272,056		

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNTS

GROUP

	Unaudited 9 months to September, 2011		Unaudited 9 months to September, 2010
	N'million		N'million
GROSS EARNINGS	132,814		136,366
Interest and similar income	89,309		94,779
Interest and similar expense	(33,245)		(40,167)
Net interest income	56,064		54,612
Other income	43,505		41,587
Operating income	99,569		96,199
Operating expenses	(78,934)		(73,545)
Diminution in asset values	(8,744)		(5,711)
Share of profit/(loss) in associate and joint venture	252		(75)
Profit before tax and exceptional items	12,143		16,868
Exceptional items	-		(5,280)
Profit before tax and after exceptional items	12,143		11,588
Taxation	(2,038)		(4,940)
Profit after tax and exceptional items	10,105		6,648
Non-controlling interest	1,028		(828)
Profit attributable to shareholders	11,133]	5,820

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