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Company Announcement in accordance with MFSA Listing Rules 8.5.5, 8.5.20 and 9.40

Attached is the half-yearly report on the activities and profits and losses on a Group basis for the first six months of 2006 that was approved during the Board Meeting held on 22 September 2006. The Board of Directors does not propose to pay a dividend for the half year ended 30 June 2006.

E.M. Borg

Company Secretary



DRAFT CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 30 June 2006

Condensed Consolidated Profit and Loss Account

Non-technical account

for the six months ended 30 June 2006

	Group		
	1 January to 30 June 2006	1 January to 30 June 2005	
	Lm	Lm	
Balance on technical accounts			
General business	778,213	1,223,009	
Long term business	130,178	173,845	
	908,391	1,396,854	
Share of associated undertaking's profit			
involved in long term business	532,203	401,586	
Total income from insurance activities	1,440,594	1,798,440	
Other investment income	1,858,003	2,343,483	
Investment expenses and charges (incl. fair value losses)	(1,114,892)	(225,626)	
Allocated investment return transferred to			
the general business technical account	(518,961)	(1,472,037)	
Other income	351,509	283,293	
Administration expenses	(771,633)	(575,592)	
Profit before tax	1,244,620	2,151,961	
Income tax expense	307,737	(354,372)	
Profit for the financial period	1,552,357	1,797,589	
Attributable to:			
- shareholders	1,553,595	1,608,942	
- minority interests	(1,238) 188		
	1,552,357	1,797,589	
Earnings per share attributable to shareholders	<u>6c2</u>	<u>6c4</u>	

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2006

	Group		
	June 2006	December 2005	
	Lm	Lm	
ASSETS			
Intangible assets	482,958	419,385	
Property, plant and equipment	1,275,693	1,315,510	
Investment property	4,062,054	4,144,992	
Investment in associated undertaking	14,878,871	13,496,668	
Other investments	64,865,393	63,633,233	
Deferred income tax	1,049,050	968,279	
Reinsurers' share of technical provisions	11,972,367	11,499,418	
Deferred acquisition costs	2,271,931	1,970,344	
Insurance and other receivables	8,355,660	7,976,926	
Income tax receivables	331,476	382,542	
Cash and cash equivalents	3,110,452	2,624,084	
TOTAL ASSETS	112,655,905	108,431,381	
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY Capital and reserves Minority interests Total Equity	31,601,420 1,032,964 32,634,384	30,952,826 1,036,604 31,989,430	
Deferrred income tax	193,589	742,004	
Provisions for other liabilities and charges	342,451	332,500	
Technical provisions	62,644,262	60,293,729	
Borrowings	6,302,258	6,384,926	
Insurance and other payables	10,141,970	8,456,509	
function of the second land	396,991	232,283	
Income tax payable			
Total Liabilities	80,021,521	76,441,951	

These condensed financial statements were approved by the Board on 22 September 2006 and were signed on its behalf by:

M.C. Grech Chairman and C.E.O. R.E.D. Chalmers Deputy Chairman

MIDDLESEA GROUP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the period ended 30 June 2006

GROUP		Share		Profit &		
	Share Capital Lm	Premium account Lm	Other Reserves Lm	Loss Account Lm	Minority Interest Lm	Tota Lm
Balance as at 1 January 2005	6,250,000	1,192,500	6,761,770	10,994,113	4,734,062	29,932,445
Share of increase in value of in-force business of associated undertaking			474,300			474,300
Currency translation differences	<u> </u>	-	•	-	(55,991)	(55,991)
Net income recognised directly in equity			474,300		(55,991)	418,309
Profit for the financial period	<u> </u>			1,608,942	188,647	1,797,589
Total recognised income for the financial period Dividends for 2004			474,300	1,608,942 (750,000)	132,656	2,215,898 (754,900)
Balance as at 30 June 2005	6,250,000	1,192,500	7,236,070	11,853,055	4,861,818	31,393,443
Balance as at 1 January 2006 Share of increase in value of in-force business of	6,250,000	1,192,500	8,448,685	15,061,641	1,036,604	31,989,430
associated undertaking			345,000			345,000
Net income recognised directly in equity			345,000			345,000
Profit for the financial period				1,553,595	(1,238)	1,552,357
Total recognised income for the financial period			345,000	1,553,595	(1,238)	1,897,357
Dividends for 2005				(1,250,000)	(5,000)	(1,255,000)
Increase in the subsidiary shareholding					2,597	2,597
Balance as at 30 June 2006	6,250,000	1,192,500	8,793,685	15,365,236	1,032,963	32,634,384

Condensed Consolidated Cash Flow Statement for the six months ended 30 June 2006

	Group 1 January to 1 January to 30 June 2006 30 June 2005		
	Lm	Lm	
Net cash generated from operating activities	3,123,429	1,525,041	
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,551,990)	(3,113,460)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(85,071)	(76,678)	
Increase/(Decrease) in cash and cash			
equivalents	486,368	(1,665,097)	
Movement in cash and cash equivalents			
At beginning of period	2,624,084	6,241,623	
Net cash inflow/(outflow)	486,368	(1,665,097)	
Effect of exchange rate changes		(60,896)	
At 30 June	3,110,452	4,515,630	

Notes to the Condensed Financial Statements for the six months ended 30 June 2006

1 Middlesea Insurance p.l.c is authorised by the Malta Financial Services Authority to carry on long term and general business of insurance under the Insurance Business Act, 1998.

2 Basis of preparation

These condensed financial statements are being published in accordance with the Malta Financial Services Authority Listing rules 9.40 to 9.46. These statements have been extracted from the Group's unaudited financial statements as approved by the Board on 22 September 2006, and have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 - Interim Financial Reporting. The accounting policies used in the preparation of the financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2006 are consistent with those used in the annual financial statements as at 31 December 2005.

3 Segmental information

The Group is organised into four geographic segments: Malta, Italy, Gibraltar and London. These segments, which are based on internal management accounts, are all principally involved in the business of general insurance.

Gross written p	remiums	Profit/(loss) be taxation	fore
2006	2005	2006	2005
Lm	Lm	Lm	Lm
6,962,659	7,472,626	1,345,391	1,350,514
11,038,634	9,948,911	(92,680)	660,668
666,755	772,277	33,109	130,425
2,067	5,968	(41,200)	10,354
18,670,115	18,199,782	1,244,620	2,151,961
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4 The Board of Directors do not propose to pay an interim dividend for the half year ended 30 June 2006 (2005 - nil)