# FirstCaribbean International Bank Limited

# Consolidated Financial Statements

For the Half Year ended April 30, 2008 (expressed in thousands of United States dollars)



#### **CHAIRMAN'S REVIEW**

Core earnings of the Bank were 12% ahead of last year which is a creditable performance in today's business environment.

Year to date net income attributable to equity shareholders of the Company was \$74.6 million compared to the adjusted \$115.9 million in the prior year, a decline of \$41.3 million or 36%. Earnings for the half year were impacted by three significant one-off or non-core factors. Adjusting for these one-off events, and considering that there was a one-off gain in the prior year comparatives relating to a change in policy on health benefits, core earnings for the year to date would be \$114.8M or \$11.9 million (12%) ahead of the prior year core earnings. Details of the three non-core factors are as follows:

· Global Credit Markets

Earnings on our U.S. dollar investment portfolios continued to be adversely impacted by widening of credit spreads which started during the third quarter of last fiscal. Earnings on these portfolios for the year-to-date were \$16.3 million below the prior year's comparative.

or VISA Initial Public Offering
In Q4 2007, the Bank estimated the one-off impact of the VISA restructuring, a planned initial public offering (IPO), on its earnings to be a
gain of \$52.4 million. On March 19, 2008 the IPO took place at a significantly lower pricing than was earlier contemplated. As a result, the
mandatory redemption of a portion of our shares resulted in a loss of \$7.8 million. As in 2007, the Board views this as a one-off item with
no impact on core earnings.

 Hedge Accounting
 As previously disclosed, in the prior year the Group was unable to claim hedge accounting for certain interest rate hedges. The Group has since reinstated these hedges from an accounting perspective. In addition certain hedges were not fully effective during the period. The
 impact on the current year from hedge accounting was a loss of \$16.4 million greater than the prior year comparative.

Total revenue for the year to date was \$251.2 million compared to \$275.3 million in the prior year. This was again impacted by the aforementioned matters, which when excluded would result in a year on year increase in revenues of 6%.

Falling U.S. interest rates and a slowing U.S. economy are beginning to negatively impact revenues and credit provisions. Credit provisions increased by \$4.2 million, year on year

Operating expenses of \$152.4 were 2% below the prior year, excluding the one-off gain related to the change in policy on health benefits, with the efficiency ratio amounting to 53% versus the prior year comparative period of 56%, excluding the impact of the aforementioned matters.

Net loans and advances to customers have grown by \$0.4 billion (7%) over the prior year and now stand at \$6.3 billion.

Total deposits were \$9.9 billion, up \$0.2 billion (2%) from the prior year and other borrowings of \$0.9 billion in the prior year were fully

The Directors have approved an interim dividend of \$ 0.03 cents per share to be paid on June 20, 2008 to the shareholders of record on June 5, 2008.

The Board, management and staff will continue to monitor the economic conditions and take the necessary steps to ensure that the interests of all our stakeholders are promoted in these circumstances.

We thank the Board, management, staff and most importantly our customers for their support.

Michael K. Manson Chairman May 28, 2008

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENT DISCLOSURE.

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This report contains forward-looking statements, including statements about our financial condition, results of operations, earnings outlook, asset quality trends and profitability. Forward looking statements, including statements which managements current expectations or forecasts of future events and, by their nature, are subject to assumptions, risks and uncertainties. Although management believes that the expectations and forecasts erfelected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, actual results could differ materially from those contained in or implied by such forward-looking statements due to a variety of factors including; (1) changes in interest rates; (2) changes in trade, monetary or fiscal policy; (3) changes in general economic conditions, or in the condition of the local economies in which we have significant operations or assets, which could, among other things, materially impact credit quality tends and our ability to generate lears; (4) increased competitive pressure among financial services companies; (5) the inability to successfully execute strategic initiatives designed to grow revenues and/or manage expenses; (6) consummation of significant business combinations or undivestitures; (7) operational or risk management failures due to technological or other factors; (8) heightened requistory practices; (6) consummation of significant business combinations or undivestitures; (7) poperational or risk management failures due to technological or other factors; (8) heightened requistory practice; (6) consummation of significant business combinations or or restrictions or undiversity of the properation and properations; (7) adverse capital markets conditions; (11) disruption in the economy and general business climate as a result of terrorist activities or military actions; and (12) changes in accounting or tax practices or requirements. Forvard-looking statements are not quarantees of future performent and should not be relied upon as representing

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET					
	Restated Unaudited Period ended April 30, 2008	Unaudited Period ended April 30, 2007	Audited October 31, 2007		
Assets					
Cash, balances with Central Banks and other banks Financial assets at fair value through	2,124,019	2,764,069	1,518,650		
the profit or loss Loans and advances to customers	760,948	1,438,861	1,123,589		
	6,287,730	5,869,073	6,079,959		
Investment securities	1,940,092	1,561,589	2,471,004		
Property, plant and equipment	130,647	134,795	136,002		
Other assets	158,875	139,526	178,995		
Intangible assets	345,997	348,955	347,476		
Total assets	11,748,308	12,256,868	11,855,675		
Liabilities					
Customer deposits and other borrowings	9,936,972	10,587,355	10,033,841		
Other liabilities	132,698	128,270	186,853		
Debt securities in issue	273,489	274,959	274,161		
_	10,343,159	10,990,584	10,494,855		
Equity					
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the Company					
Share capital & reserves	846.648	794,067	815,683		
Retained earnings	532,691	448,322	520,310		
<u>-</u>	1,379,339	1,242,389	1,335,993		
Minority interest	25,810	23,895	24,827		
_	1,405,149	1,266,284	1,360,820		
Total liabilities and equity	11,748,308	12,256,868	11,855,675		
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Note: Results have been converted to US\$ at an exchange rate of US\$1 = BBD\$2

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Chairman

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## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

	Attributable to equity holders						
	Share Capital	Treasury Shares	Reserves	Retained Earnings	Minority Interest	Total Equity	
Balance at October 31, 2006 as previously reported Prior period adjustment	1,117,349	(426)	(336,802) 643	403,610 (7,444)	22,829 (460)	. ,	
Balance at October 31, 2006 as restated	1,117,349	(426)	(336,159)	396,166	22,369	1,199,299	
Foreign currency translation differences	_	_	409	(2,241)	_	(1,832)	
Net change in available-for-sale investment securities			(3,792)		(18)	(3,810)	
Total income and expense for the period recognised directly in equity		_	(3,383)	(2,241)	(18)	(5,642)	
Net income for the period as previously reported Prior period adjustment	_	_	_	120,505 (4,625)	3,346 (192)	123,851 (4,817)	
Net income for the period		_	_	115,880	3,154	119,034	
Total income and expense for the period	_	_	(3,383)	113,639	3,136	113,392	
Transfer to reserves Net purchase of treasury shares Share based payment reserves Equity dividends Dividends of subsidiaries	_ _ _ _	(1) —	15,758 — 929 —	(15,758) — — (45,725)		(1) 929 (45,725) (1,610)	
Balance at April 30, 2007 as restated	1,117,349	(427)	(322,855)	448,322	23,895	1,266,284	
Balance at October 31, 2007	1,117,349	(1,418)	(300,248)	520,310	24,827	1,360,820	
Foreign currency translation differences	_	_	(862)	78	33	(751)	
Net change in available-for-sale investments securities		_	17,231	_	734	17,965	
Total income and expense for the period recognised directly in equity		_	16,369	78	767	17,214	
Net income for the period	_	_	_	74,646	1,654	76,300	
Total income and expense for the period	_	_	16,369	74,724	2,421	93,514	
Transfer to reserves Share based payment reserves Dividends	_	_	13,679 917	(13,679) — (48,664)	_	— 917 (48 664)	
Dividends of subsidiaries				(48,664)	(1,438)	(48,664) (1,438)	
Balance at April 30, 2008	1,117,349	(1,418)	(269,283)	532,691	25,810	1,405,149	

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME					
	Unaudited Quarter ended April 30, 2008	Restated Unaudited Quarter ended April 30, 2007	Unaudited Period ended April 30, 2008	Restated Unaudited Period ended April 30, 2007	Audited October 31, 2007
Interest income Interest expense	176,359 63,589	191,081 88,222	365,712 147,316	384,747 176,013	784,857 359,876
Net interest income Operating income	112,770 15,325	102,859 38,731	218,396 32,836	208,734 66,616	424,981 181,048
	128,095	141,590	251,232	275,350	606,029
Operating expenses Loan loss expenses Amortisation of intangible assets	85,528 3,815 741	77,527 2,338 740	152,376 10,381 1,481	137,536 6,127 1,480	301,607 17,029 2,960
Income before taxation and minority interest Taxation	90,084 38,011 3,850	80,605 60,985 3,658	164,238 86,994 10,694	145,143 130,207 11,173	321,596 284,433 23,092
Net income for the period	34,161	57,327	76,300	119,034	261,341
Attributable to: Equity holders of the Company Minority interest	32,943 1,218	55,587 1,740	74,646 1,654	115,880 3,154	255,667 5,674
Net income for the period	34,161	57,327	76,300	119,034	261,341
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding (000's)	1,525,468	1,526,030	1,525,468	1,526,030	1,525,155
Net income per common share in cents attributable to the equity holders of the Company					

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## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT	Unaudited Period ended April 30, 2008	Unaudited Period ended April 30, 2007	Audited October 31, 2007
Net cash (used in)/from operating activities	(148,833)	162,639	(166,919)
Net cash from/(used in) investing activities	593,458	28,800	(827,415)
Net cash used in financing activities	(59,558)	(21,929)	(64,243)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period	385,067	169,510	(1,058,577)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(751)	(1,832)	(6,009)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	1,012,377	2,076,963	2,076,963
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	1,396,694	2,244,641	1,012,377

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## NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Summary of significant accounting policies

#### **Basis of presentation**

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of FirstCaribbean International Bank Limited (the Group) should be read in conjunction with the IFRS consolidated financial statements and notes thereto for the year ended October 31, 2007, included in the Group's Annual Report 2007. For a description of the Group's significant accounting policies, see Note 2 of the aforementioned consolidated financial statements.

Certain financial information, which is normally included in annual financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS, but not required for interim reporting purposes, has been condensed or omitted. Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior period's financial statements to conform to the current period's presentation. These condensed consolidated financial statements reflect, in the opinion of management, all adjustments that are necessary for a fair presentation of the condensed consolidated financial statements for the interim periods presented.

The results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results for the entire year.

In preparing these condensed consolidated financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions which affect amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

## Transactions affecting year on year comparisons

## Change in post retirement medical benefits

Effective January 1, 2007 certain changes to the Group's health benefit scheme were made which resulted in the recognition of a curtailment gain of \$17.1 million in the prior year.

#### Unearned loan fees

In 2006, in accordance with IAS 18 Revenue, loan fee income, which would have been considered to be an integral part of the effective interest rate of the financial instruments, was deferred and recognised as an adjustment to the effective interest yield on the loan. The associated fees however continued to be reported in fiscal 2007 as part of operating income, but have now been reclassified appropriately as part of the effective interest rate of the financial instruments. This adjustment was applied retrospectively and as such, the comparative statements for April 2007 were restated resulting in an increase in interest income by \$6.3 million with a corresponding decrease in operating income. There was no impact to total revenues or net income.

### Hedge accounting

At the end of the last fiscal, a review of the Group's hedge accounting revealed that one of the criteria was not fully met and this resulted in an adjustment to the 2007 results and a restatement of the 2006 results. As a consequence, the April 30, 2007 comparative numbers have been restated to reflect this adjustment. Opening retained earnings for 2007 has been reduced by \$7.4 million, net income attributable to the equity holders of the Company for 2007 reduced by \$4.6 million with a corresponding reduction in retained earnings, total assets reduced by \$13.7 million, total liabilities reduced by \$0.4 million, minority interest reduced by \$0.6 million, and reserves reduced by \$0.7 million.

#### Loss on disposal of shares

During the second quarter of 2008, shares in Visa were sold at a loss of \$7.8 million.