

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SEC FORM 20-IS

INFORMATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 17.1(b) OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE

1. Check the appropriate box:

Preliminary Information Statement

Definitive Information Statement

2. Name of Registrant as specified in its charter

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION

3. Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization

Philippines

4. SEC Identification Number

17514

5. BIR Tax Identification Code

320-000-599-760

6. Address of principal office

6819 Ayala cor. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City

Postal Code

0727

7. Registrant's telephone number, including area code

894-9000

8. Date, time and place of the meeting of security holders

June 25, 2018 - 4:00 pm - Alfonso Sycip Executive Lounge, 47th Floor Yuchengco

9. Approximate date on which the Information Statement is first to be sent or given to security holders

May 30, 2018

10. In case of Proxy Solicitations:

Name of Person Filing the Statement/Solicitor

Atty. George Gilbert G. dela Cuesta

Address and Telephone No.

46th Floor Yuchengco Tower, RCBC Plaza, 6819 Ayala cor. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati

11. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the Code or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA (information on number of shares and amount of debt is applicable only to corporate registrants):

Title of Each Class	Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding and Amount of Debt Outstanding
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Common

1,399,918,397

13. Are any or all of registrant's securities listed on a Stock Exchange?

Yes No

If yes, state the name of such stock exchange and the classes of securities listed therein:

Philippine Stock Exchange - Common

The Exchange does not warrant and holds no responsibility for the veracity of the facts and representations contained in all corporate disclosures, including financial reports. All data contained herein are prepared and submitted by the disclosing party to the Exchange, and are disseminated solely for purposes of information. Any questions on the data contained herein should be addressed directly to the Corporate Information Officer of the disclosing party.



Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation

RCB

**PSE Disclosure Form 17-5 - Information Statement for Annual or
Special Stockholders' Meeting**
*References: SRC Rule 20 and
Section 17.10 of the Revised Disclosure Rules*

Date of Stockholders' Meeting	Jun 25, 2018
Type (Annual or Special)	Annual
Time	4:00 pm
Venue	47th Floor Yuchengco Tower, RCBC Plaza, 6819 Ayala cor. Gil J. Puyat Ave., Makati City
Record Date	Jun 5, 2018

Inclusive Dates of Closing of Stock Transfer Books

Start Date	N/A
End date	N/A

Other Relevant Information

Please see attached Definitive Information Statement.

Filed on behalf by:

Name	Joyce Lacson
Designation	Assistant Corporate Secretary

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R I Z A L C O M M E R C I A L B A N K I N G
C O R P O R A T I O N

(Company's Full Name)

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P U Y A T A V E N U E M A K A T I C I T Y
(Business Address: No. Street City/ Town/ Province)

GEORGE GILBERT G. DELA CUESTA
Contact Person
894-95-59
Company Telephone Number

DEFINITIVE INFORMATION STATEMENT 2018

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Month Day
Fiscal Year

FORM TYPE
0 6
Month Day
Annual Meeting

GSED
Secondary License Type, If Applicable

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831
Total No. Of Stockholders
Total Amount of Borrowings
Domestic Foreign

To be accomplished by SEC Personnel concerned

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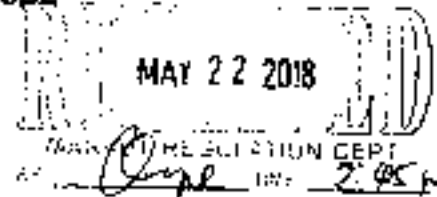
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6. Address of principal office: **Yuchengco Tower, RCBC Plaza, 6819 Ayala Ave. cor. Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue, Makati City**
Postal Code **0727**
7. Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(632) 894-9000**
8. Date, time and place of the meeting of the security holders: **June 25, 2018, 4:00 P.M., Alfonso Syclo Executive Lounge, 47th Floor, RCBC Plaza, Yuchengco Tower, 6819 Ayala Avenue corner Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City . .**
9. Approximate date on which the Information Statement is first to be sent or given to security holders: **May 30, 2018**
10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 8 and 12 of the Code or Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA (information on number of shares and amount of debt is applicable only to corporate registrants).

<u>Title of Each Class</u>	<u>Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding or Amount of Debt Outstanding</u>
Common	(as of April 30, 2018) 1,399,916,397

11. Are any or all of registrant's securities listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange? Yes ☒ No ☐

A. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Date, Time and Place of Meeting of Security Holders

Date	:	June 25, 2018
Time	:	4:00 P.M.
Place	:	Alfonso Sycip Executive Lounge 47 th Floor, Yuchengco Tower, RCBC Plaza 6819 Ayala Avenue corner Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue Makati City
Complete mailing address of Principal office	:	21 st Floor, RCBC Plaza, Tower II 6819 Ayala Avenue corner 333 Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue Makati City
Approximate date on which the Information Statement is first to be sent or given to security holders	:	May 30, 2018

WE ARE NOT ASKING YOU FOR A PROXY
AND YOU ARE REQUESTED NOT TO SEND US A PROXY.

2. Dissenter's Right of Appraisal

There are no matters or proposed actions as specified in the attached Notice of Annual Stockholders' Meeting that may give rise to a possible exercise by shareholders of their appraisal rights or similar right as provided in Title X of the Corporation Code of the Philippines. However, if at any time after this Information Statement has been sent out, an action (which may give rise to exercise of appraisal right) is proposed at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting, any stockholder who wishes to exercise such right and who voted against the proposed action must make a written demand within thirty (30) days after the Annual Stockholders' Meeting.

Under Title X of the Corporation Code, shareholders dissenting from and voting against the following corporate actions may demand payment of the fair value of their shares as of the day prior to the date on which the vote was taken for such corporation action: (i) amendment to the Bank's articles and by-laws which has the effect of changing or restricting the rights of any shareholder or class of shares; or authorizing preferences in any respect superior to those of outstanding shares of any class; (ii) sale, lease, mortgage or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Bank's assets; (iii) merger or consolidation; (iv) investment of corporate funds in another corporation or business or for any purpose other than its primary purpose; and (v) extension or shortening of term of corporate existence.

The appraisal right may be exercised by any shareholder who shall have voted against the proposed corporate action, by making a written demand on the Bank within thirty (30) days after the date on which the vote was taken for payment of the fair market value of such shareholder's shares. The failure to make demand within such period shall be deemed a waiver of the appraisal right. If the proposed corporate action is implemented or effected, the Bank shall pay the dissenting shareholder, upon surrender of the certificate(s) representing his shares, the fair value thereof as of the day prior to the date on which the vote was taken, excluding any appreciation or depreciation in anticipation of such corporate action.

3. Interest of Certain Persons in or Opposition to Matters to be Acted Upon

No director or officer of the Bank and, to the best knowledge of the Bank, no associate of a director or officer of the Bank has any substantial interest, direct or indirect, by security holdings or otherwise, in any of the corporate actions to be acted upon at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting, other than election to office of the director.

None of the directors of the Bank has informed the Bank of his intention to oppose any of the corporate actions to be acted upon at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting. Moreover, all directors and management of the Bank act in the best interest of the Shareholders and there have been no adverse findings of conflict of interest or insider trading involving any director or management in the past 2 years.

B. CONTROL AND COMPENSATION INFORMATION

4. Voting Securities and Principal Holders Thereof

Class of Voting Securities: As of April 30, 2018, 1,399,916,397 Common shares and 267,887 Preferred shares are outstanding, and are entitled to be represented and vote at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting. Each share is entitled to one vote.

Record Date: Only stockholders of record as of June 5, 2018 shall be entitled to notice and vote at the meeting.

Manner of Voting: The By-Laws of the Bank provides that the election shall be by ballots, and that every stockholder entitled to vote shall have the right to vote in person or by proxy the number of shares of stock standing in his own name in the stock and transfer books of the Bank at the time the books were closed and said stockholder may vote such number of shares for as many persons as there are directors, or he may cumulate said shares and give one candidate as many votes as the number of directors to be elected, multiplied by the number of shares shall equal, or he may distribute them on the same principle among as many candidates as he shall see fit. Provided, that the whole number of votes cast by him shall not exceed the number of shares owned by him, as shown in the books of the Bank, multiplied by the whole number of directors to be elected; and Provided, that no stock declared delinquent by the Board of Directors for unpaid subscriptions shall be voted. The votes shall be verified and tabulated by Punongbayan and Araullo, which is an independent third party.

Security Ownership of Certain Record Owners of more than 5% (as of March 31, 2018)

(1) Title of Class	(2) Name, address of record owner and relationship with issuer	(3) Name of Beneficial Owner and Relationship with Record Owner	(4) Citizenship	(5) Number of Shares Held	(6) Percent
Common	Pan Malayan Management & Investment Corporation Address: 48/F Yuchengco Tower, ACBC Plaza, 6819 Ayala Ave., Makati City Relationship with Issuer: ACBC is a subsidiary of PMMIC	Pan Malayan Management & Investment Corporation <i>The records in the possession of the Bank show that the beneficial ownership of this company belongs to the shareholders of record of said company. The Bank has not been advised otherwise</i>	Filipino	594,248,081*	42.45%

	Cathay Life Insurance Co. LTD Address: No. 286 Ren Ai Road Sec. 4 Taipei R.O.C. (Taiwan) 10833 Relationship with Issuer: Stockholder	Cathay Life Insurance Co. Ltd. <i>The records in the possession of the Bank show that the beneficial ownership of this company belongs to the shareholders of record of said company. The Bank has not been advised otherwise.</i>	Non-Filipino	326,929,297	23.35%
Common	International Finance Corporation (IFC) & IFC Capitalization (Equity) Fund, L.P. Address: 2121 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20433 USA Relationship with Issuer: Stockholder	International Finance Corporation (IFC) <i>The records in the possession of the Bank show that the beneficial ownership of this company belongs to the shareholders of record of said company. The Bank has not been advised otherwise.</i>	Non-Filipino	107,875,642	7.71%

**Combined Direct and Indirect Shares of PMMIC*

The participants under PCD owning more than 5% of the voting securities (common) are (as of March 31, 2018):

Name	Shares	% of Total
RCBC Securities, Inc.	150,196,791	10.73%
The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank	400,865,003	28.63%

Security Ownership of Certain Record Owners of more than 5% (as of March 31, 2018)

Title of Class	Name & Address of Record Owner and Relationship with Issuer	Name of Beneficial Owner and Relationship with Record Owner	Citizen-ship	No. of Shares	Percent
Preferred	None				

Security Ownership of Foreigners (as of April 30, 2018)

Title of Class	Shares	% of Total
Common	474,038,048	33.86
Preferred	0	0.00

Security Ownership of Management (as of March 31, 2018)

Title of Class	Name of Beneficial Owner/ Position	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership "r"/"b"	Citizen-ship	Percent of Class
a. Board of Directors:				
Common	Helen Y. Dee	Chairperson P4,380.00 "r" P10,112,410.00 "b"	Filipino	0.07%
Common	Cesar E. A. Virata	Director/ Corporate Vice-Chairman P1,670 "r" P1,000,000.00 "b"	Filipino	0.01%
Common	Gil A. Buenaventura	President and CEO P50.00 "r"	Filipino	0.000%

Common	Amb Lilia R Bautista	Director	P50.00 "r"	Filipino	0.000%
Common	Florentino M Herrera III	Director	P3,150.00 "r" P31,520.00 "b"	Filipino	0.000%
Common	Adelita A Vergel De Dios	Director	P10.00 "r"	Filipino	0.000%
Common	John Law	Director	P10.00 "r"	French	0.000%
Common	Tze Ching Chan	Director	P10.00 "r"	Chinese	0.000%
Common	Richard G.A. Westlake	Director	P10.00 "r"	New Zealander	0.000%
Common	Gabriel S Claudio	Director	P10.00 "r"	Filipino	0.000%
Common	Vaughn F Montes	Independent Director	P50.00 "r"	Filipino	0.00%
Common	Yuh-Sheng Peng	Director	P10.00 "r"	R.O.C. (Taiwan)	0.000%
Common	Armando M. Medina	Independent Director	P1,950.00 "r"	Filipino	0.000%
Common	Melito S Salazar Jr	Independent Director	P10.00 "r"	Filipino	0.000%
Common	Juan B Santos	Independent Director	P50.00 "r"	Filipino	0.00%
b. Senior Management:					
Common	Evelyn Notasco	Senior Vice President	27,000.00 "b"	Filipino	0.00%
c. Directors & Principal Officers (as a Group)			P11,182,350.00		0.08%

"r" refers to registered ownership and "b" refers to beneficial ownership

Changes in Control: At present, there is no arrangement known to the Bank which may result in a change in control.

Voting Trust Holders of 5% or More: There are no shareholdings holding any Voting Trust Agreement or any such similar agreement.

5. Directors and Executive Officers

(a) Nominees for Independent Directors:

- Mr. Armando M. Medina
- Mr. Juan B. Santos
- Amb. Lilia R. Bautista
- Mr. Melito S. Salazar, Jr.
- Atty. Adelita A. Vergel De Dios
- Mr. Gabriel S. Claudio
- Mr. Vaughn F. Montes

(b) Nominees for Directors:

- Ms. Helen Y. Oae
- Mr. Cesar E.A. Virata
- Mr. Gil A. Buenaventura
- Mr. Tze Ching Chan
- Mr. Richard Gordon Alexander Westlake
- Mr. John Law
- Mr. Yuh-Shing (Francis) Peng
- Atty. Florentino M. Herrera

Mr. Eduardo S. Lopez, Jr., a stockholder who is not in any way related to the nominees, nominated to the Board the re-election of Mr. Armando M. Medina, Mr. Juan B. Santos, Amb. Lilia R. Bautista, Mr. Melito S. Salazar, Jr., Atty. Adelita A. Vergel De Dios, Mr. Gabriel S. Claudio, and Mr. Vaughn F. Montes as Independent Directors.

The Corporate Governance Committee composed of four (4) members, three (3) of whom are independent directors, reviews and evaluates the qualifications of all persons to be nominated to the Board as well as those to be nominated to other positions requiring appointment by the Board of Directors, i.e., with the ranks of Assistant Vice-Presidents and higher. The Corporate Governance Committee is composed of Atty. Adelita A. Vergel De Dios as the Chairperson, and Mr. Gabriel S. Claudio, Mr. Yuh-Shing (Francis) Peng, and Mr. Vaughn F. Montes as Members. The Directors will be nominated and elected in accordance with SRC Rule 38.

All the nominated directors comply with all the qualifications required of a director mentioned under Sections X141.2 (for director) of the Manual of Regulations for Banks (MORB) and do not possess any of the disqualifications mentioned under Sections X143.1 (for director) of the MORB.

Likewise, pursuant to the Code of Corporate Governance, all the directors have satisfied the required number of attendance in board meetings, as well as in their respective Committees.

The Directors shall hold office for one (1) year and until their successors are elected and qualified.

The Independent Directors, Mr. Armando M. Medina, Mr. Juan B. Santos, Amb. Lilia R. Bautista, Mr. Melito S. Salazar, Jr., Atty. Adelita A. Vergel De Dios, Mr. Gabriel S. Claudio, and Mr. Vaughn F. Montes have each always possessed the qualifications and none of the disqualifications of an independent director. The Certification of Independent Director of each of the foregoing Independent Directors is attached.

(c) Directors:

<u>Directors</u>	<u>(Age)/ Citizenship</u>	<u>Position/Period which they have served</u>
Helen Y. Dee	(74)/ Filipino	Board Chairperson (June 25, 2007 to present) Director (March 25, 2005 to present)

<u>Company</u>	<u>Position</u>
Hydee Management & Resources, Inc.	Chairperson/President
RCBC Savings Bank	Chairperson
House of Investments, Inc.	Chairperson
Mapua Information Technology Center, Inc.	Chairperson
Malayan Insurance Co. Inc.	Chairperson/Director
Malayan Insurance Co. (HK) Ltd.	Chairperson/Director
Pan Malayan Realty Corp.	Chairperson
RCBC Leasing and Finance Corporation	Director / Chairperson
RCBC Land, Inc.	Director
Tameena Resources, Inc.	Chairperson & CEO
Landev Corp.	Chairperson
Hi-Eisai Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	Chairperson
Manda Memorial Park Cemetery, Inc.	Chairperson
La Funeraria Paz Sucat	Chairperson/Director
Mijo Holdings, Inc.	Chairman/President
Xamdu Motors, Inc.	Chairperson
Promotions Personalized, Inc.	Chairperson
Dee Yu Corporation	Chairperson
Silver Falcon Insurance Agency, Inc.	Chairperson
Shayamala Corporation	Chairperson

Pan Malayan Management & Investment Corp.	Chairperson/Director
Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company	Director
Petro Energy Resources Corp.	Chairperson and Director
Petrowind Energy Inc.	Chairperson
MICO Equities, Inc.	Chairperson/Director
AY Holdings, Inc.	Chairperson/Director
AY Foundation, Inc.	Chairperson/Trustee
A.T. Yuchengco, Inc.	Chairperson
Yuchengco Center	Chairperson
Pan Malayan Express	Chairperson/Director
Isuzu Philippines, Inc.	Director
Honda Cars Philippines, Inc.	Director
Philippine Integrated Advertising Agency, Inc.	Director
Sunlife Grepa Financial Inc.	Chairperson/Director
Honda Cars Kalookan	Director
Mapua University	Chairperson/Trustee
Philippine Business for Education, Inc.	Board Member/Trustee
EEL Corporation	Board Member
GPL Holdings	President
Mora Management, Inc.	President
YGC Corporate Services, Inc.	Chairperson/Director/President
RCBC Realty Corporation	Chairperson/Director
Luisita Industrial Park Corporation	Director
Y Realty Corporation	Director
E.T. Yuchengco, Inc.	Chairperson/Director
Malayan Colleges Laguna, Inc.	Trustee
Malayan High School of Science, Inc.	Chairperson
Malayan Colleges Mindanao (A Mapua School), Inc.	Chairperson
Luis Miguel Foods	Director

Cesar E.A. Virata

(67)
Filipino

Director (1995 to present)
Corporate Vice-Chairman (June 22, 2000
to present)

Company	Position
ATAR VI Property Holding Company, Inc.	Chairman & Director
RCBC Realty Corp.	Director
RCBC Bankard Services Corporation	Chairman/ Director
RCBC Land, Inc.	Chairman/ Director
ALTO Pacific Company, Inc.	Chairman / Director
Malayan Insurance Co., Inc.	Director
RCBC Savings Bank	Director
Luisita Industrial Park Corporation	Vice-Chairman/ Director
Lopez Holdings Corp.	Independent Director
Cavitex Holdings, Inc.	Chairman/ Director
YGC Corporate Services, Inc.	Director
Niyog Properties Holdings, Inc.	Director
Business World Publishing Corp.	Vice-Chairman/ Director
Belle Corporation	Independent Director
City and Land Developers, Inc.	Independent Director

AY Foundation, Inc.	Trustee
Malayan University (Operating under Mapua Institute of Technology)	Trustee
Micah Quality Property Development Corporation	Director
World Trade Center Management, Inc.	Director
Yuchengco Center	Trustee

Gil A. Buenaventura

(65)/
Filipino

Director, President and CEO (effective July 1, 2016)

Company	Position
RCBC Capital Corporation	Director
RCBC Leasing and Finance Corporation	Vice-Chairman
RCBC Rental Corporation	Director
Merchants Savings and Loan Association, Inc.	Chairman
RCBC Savings Bank	Vice-Chairman
RCBC Forex Brokers Corporation	Chairman
Asian Bankers Association	Member
Niyog Property Holdings, Inc.	Director
Makati Business Club	Member
De La Salle Philippines School System	Member of the Investment Committee
Bankers Association of the Philippines	Member
Gab Realty Incorporated	Director and Treasurer

Tze Ching Chan

(61)/
Chinese

Director (November 28, 2011 to present)

Company	Position
AFFIN Bank Berhad	Non-Executive Director
The Bank of East Asia, Limited	Senior Adviser
The Community Chest of Hong Kong	Member, Board of Directors
CVC Capital Partners	Senior Adviser
East Asia Futures Limited	Non-Executive Director
East Asia Securities Company Limited	Non-Executive Director
Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited	Independent Non-Executive Director
Hong Kong Institute of Bankers	Honorary Advisory Vice President
Hong Kong Polytechnic University	Chairman of Council
Hong Kong Red Cross	Council Member
Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited	Member, Disciplinary Appeals Committee
Mongolian Mining Corporation	Independent Non-Executive Director
Portofino (165) Limited	Director
Prasac Microfinance Institution Limited (Cambodia)	Chairman
Financial Reporting Council	Member
The Hong Kong Tourism Board	Member
Executive Committee of the Investor Education Centre, Securities and Futures Commission	Member
Standing Commission on Civil Service Salaries and Conditions of Service	Member
Standing Committee on Judicial Salaries and Conditions of Service	Member

Richard G.A. Westlake

(66)/
New Zealander

Director (October 1, 2014 to present)

Company	Position
Westlake Governance Limited, Wellington, New Zealand	Managing Director and Founder
Careerforce Industry Training Organisation Limited, New Zealand	Independent Chairman
Dairy Goat Co-operative (NZ) Limited, New Zealand	Independent Director and Chair of Finance & Audit Committee
Westlake Consulting Limited, New Zealand	Owner

John Law

(67)/
French & Taiwanese
(dual citizen)

Director (April 27, 2015 to present)

Company	Position
Oliver Wyman	Senior Advisor, Greater China
Far East Horizon Ltd.	Director
BNP Paribas (China) Ltd.	Director
Khan Bank (Mongolia)	Director
Foremost Groups	Independent Non-Executive Director

**Yuh-Shing (Francis)
Peng**

(46)/
Taiwanese

Director (April 27, 2015 to present)

Company	Position
Cathay United Bank	Executive Vice President, Overseas Management Department and Global Transactions Business

**Atty. Florentino M.
Herrera III**

(66)/
Filipino

Director (August 30, 2016 to present)

Company	Position
Herrera Teehankee & Cabrera Law Offices	Founding Partner
Amica Corporation	Director/Chairman/President
Andorra Holdings, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Bedarra Holdings, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Bellagio Properties, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Bellcore Holdings Corporation	Director/Chairman/President
Bellendorf Peak Resources, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Domain Property Ventures, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Dunes and Eagle Land Development Corp.,	Director/Chairman/President
Econolink Investments, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Filgrow Ventures Corporation	Director/Chairman/President
Fontana Resources Corporation	Director/Chairman/President
Genshare Holdings Corporation	Director/Chairman/President
HunterValley Resources, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Ipioneer Properties, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President

Maseena Resources Corporation	Director/Chairman/President
Medlinks Resources, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Pomona Properties, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Pergamon Resources Corporation	Director/Chairman/President
Regent Resources, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Saville Resources Corporation	Director/Chairman/President
Seabright Resources, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Shindig, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Vassra Holdings, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Viking Star Ventures, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
Websphere Resources, Inc.	Director/Chairman/President
911 Alarm, Inc.	Director/Chairman
Media Star Holding Corporation	Director/Chairman
Owl Ventures & Development Condominium Corp.	Director/Chairman
San Juanico Property Ventures	Director/Chairman
Mantrade Development Corporation	Director/Vice-Chairman
Aeropartners, Inc.	Director/President
Nabasan Subic Development Corporation	Director/President
Maritag Corporation	Director/Vice-President/Treasurer
La Regalade, Inc.	Director/Corporate Secretary
Melira Realty, Inc.	Director/Corporate Secretary
Armada Capital, Inc.	Director/Treasurer
North Point Resources, Inc.	Director/Treasurer
Asian Alliance Holdings & Development Corporation	Director
Beneficial Life Insurance Company, Inc.	Director
Canlubang Golf & Country Club, Inc.,	Director
FME Development Corporation	Director
GEOGRACE Resources Philippines	Director
Philippine Airlines, Inc.	Director
Stargate Media Corporation	Director
United Coconut Chemicals, Inc.	Director
Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation	Director
Lufthansa Technik Philippines, Inc.	Director
Allianz-PNB Life Insurance Inc	Corporate Secretary
BOC Holdings Corporation	Corporate Secretary
Grassroots Film Production & Distribution, Inc.,	Corporate Secretary
MacroAsia Corporation	Corporate Secretary
Medtecs International Corporation Ltd.	Corporate Secretary
Medtex Corporation	Corporate Secretary
Medtecs Materials Technology Corporation	Corporate Secretary
Corsica Resources, Inc.	Treasurer
Fontalloro Resources, Inc.	Treasurer
Long Trail Holding, Inc.	Treasurer
Mountain Links Corporation	Treasurer

The Bank is compliant with SEC Memorandum Circular No. 4, Series of 2017 on the term limit of independent directors. It provides that an independent director shall serve for a maximum cumulative term of nine years, and that the reckoning period for the cumulative nine-year term is 2012. All Independent Directors set forth below have served for less than nine (9) years reckoned from 2012.

Armando M. Medina

(68)/
Filipino

Independent Director (February 26
2003 to present)

Company	Position
RCBC Capital Corp.	Independent Director
RCBC Savings Bank	Independent Director
Malayan Insurance Co.	Independent Director

Juan B. Santos

(79)/
Filipino

Independent Director (November 2, 2016
to present)

Company	Position
First Philippine Holdings Corporation,	Director
Sun Life Gropa Financial, Inc.,	Director
Alaska Milk Corporation	Director
Allamanda Mgt. Corp.	Director
Philippine Investment Management (PHINMA), Inc.;	Director
PHINMA Corp.	Director
Coca-Cola FEMSA Philippines	Member, Advisory Board
East-West Seeds Corporation	Member, Advisory Board
East-West Seeds International Ltd.	Member, Supervisory Board
Dualtech Training Center Foundation, Inc.,	Chairman, Board of Trustees
St. Luke's Medical Center	Trustee
Marsman-Drysdale Group of Companies	Consultant
Mitsubishi Motor Philippines Corporation	Consultant
Golden Spring Group Ltd (Singapore)	Independent Director
House of Investments, Inc.	Independent Director

Melito S. Salazar, Jr.

(68)/
Filipino

Independent Director (June 27, 2016 to
present)

Company	Position
Quickminds Corporation	Chairman and President
Omnipay, Inc.	Chairman
Manila Bulletin	Columnist
Philippine Normal University System	Regent
Concepcion Industrial Corporation	Independent Director
Yanmar Philippines	Independent Director
TECO Philippines	Independent Director
Philippines First Insurance Corporation	Independent Director
Sun Life Prosperity GS Funds, Inc.	Independent Director
Sun Life of Canada Prosperity Balanced Fund, Inc.	Independent Director
Sun Life of Canada Prosperity Philippine Equity Fund, Inc.	Independent Director

Sun Life of Canada Prosperity Philippine Stock Index Fund	Independent Director
Sun Life Prosperity Wellspring Fund	Independent Director
Sun Life Prosperity Voyager Fund	Independent Director
Sun Life Prosperity Achieve 2038 Fund	Independent Director
Sun Life Prosperity Achieve 2048 Fund	Independent Director
Chamber of Commerce of the Philippine Islands	Director and Vice- President
Atty. Adellita A. Vergel De Dios	Independent Director (June 27, 2016 to present)
(71)/ Filipino	

Company	Position
RCBC Savings Bank	Independent Director

Amb. Lilia R. Bautista (82)/
Filipino Independent Director (July 25, 2016 to present)

Company	Position
RFM Corporation	Independent Director
Transnational Diversified Group, Inc.	Independent Director
Lopez Holdings, Inc.	Independent Director
CIBI Foundation	Trustee
Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila	Professor
Philippine Judicial Academy	Professional Lecturer
Philja Development Center	Director
(National Group) Permanent Court of Arbitration	Member
St. Martin de Porres Charity Hospital	Trustee and Legal Counsel
Jose Rizal University	Dean, Law School

Gabriel S. Claudio (63)/
Filipino Independent Director (July 25, 2016 to present)

Company	Position
Philippine Amusement & Gaming Corporation	Member, Board of Directors
Ginebra San Miguel, Incorporated	Member, Board of Directors
Risk & Opportunities Assessment Management	Vice Chairman/Member, Board of Directors
Conflict Resolution Group Foundation (CORE)	Member, Board of Directors
Toby's Youth Sports Foundation	Member, Board of Directors

Vaughn F. Montes, Ph.D. (67)/
Filipino Independent Director (September 26, 2016 to present)

Company	Position
Parents for Education Foundation (PAREF)	Trustee
PAREF Southridge School for Boys	Chairman and President
PAREF Westbridge School for Boys	Trustee
PAREF Northfield School for Boys	Trustee
Foundation for Economic Freedom	Trustee

Center for Family Advancement	President
Center for Excellence in Governance	Director
Institute for Corporate Directors	Teaching Fellow – Corporate Governance
Asian Development Bank Technical Assistance Grant on Public Private Partnerships Program	National Consultant on Public Private Partnerships Risk Management to Department of Finance
Asian Development Bank Technical Assistance Grant on Public Private Partnerships Program	National Consultant on Public Private Partnerships Risk Management to the National Economic Development Authority / Public Private Partnership Center

(d) Executive Officers:

Senior Executive Vice-Presidents

BANCOD, Redentor C.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – ITSSG
	Chief of Staff	Office of the President & Chief Executive Officer
DEVERAS, John Thomas G.	Head, Strategic Initiatives	Office of the President & Chief Executive Officer
	Group Head	Office of the Group Head - Asset Management & Remedial
LUY, Chester Y.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Treasury Group

Executive Vice-Presidents

AGUILAR, Michelangelo R.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Conglomerates and Global Corporate Banking
DE JESUS, Michael O.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – National Corporate Banking
LATINAZO, Rommel S.	President and Chief Executive Officer	RCBC Savings Bank (Seconded)
LIM, Ana Luisa S.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head- Operational Risk Management
VEGAMORA, Edel Mary G.	Chief Audit Executive / Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Internal Audit

First Senior Vice-Presidents

AHMAD, Jamal	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Corporate Risk Management Services
CALASANZ, Simon Javier A.	President and Chief Executive Officer	RCBC Bankard Services Corporation (Seconded)
DELA CUESTA, George Gilbert G.	Group Head / Corporate Secretary	Office of the Group Head – Legal Affairs Group and Corporate Secretariat
DIOKNO, Jonathan C.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Retail Banking Group

FERRER, Lourdes Bernadette M.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Trust & Investments Group
FLORENTINO, Gerald O	President	RCBC Securities, Inc. (Seconded)
GO, John P.	Segment Head	Chinese Banking Segment II
LOPEZ, Margarita B.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Digital Banking & Operations
MARANAN, Remedios M.	Special Asst. to RBG Head for Business Controls	Retail Banking Group
MATSUMOTO, Yasuhiro	Segment Head	Global and Ecozone Segment
NARCISO, Emmanuel T.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Global Transaction Banking
ORSOLINO, Reynaldo P.	Segment Head	Emerging Corporates Segment
PEDROSA, Alberto N.	Segment Head	Investment & Markets Trading
SANTIAGO, Bennett Clarence D.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Credit Management Group
SUBIDO, Rowena F.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Human Resources Group

Senior Vice-Presidents

ALVAREZ, Ma. Christina P.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Corporate Planning Group
BILAOS, Lalaine I.	Division Head	Local Corporate Banking Segment Division II
BUENAFLORES, Enrique C.	Segment Head	Global Transaction Banking
CANLAS, Karen K.	Division Head	Wealth Management Division 2
CAPINA, Brigitte B.	Regional Sales Director	South Metro Manila Regional Office
CHUA, Arsenio L.	Regional Sales Director	North Metro Manila Regional Office
CONTRERAS, Claro Patricio L.	Division Head	Remedial Management
CORONEL, Elizabeth E.	Segment Head	Conglomerates & Strategic Corporates Segment
CRUZ, Antonio Manuel E. Jr.	OIC, Segment Head	Chinese Banking Segment 1
ERMITA, Edwin, R.	Bank Security Officer	Office of the President & Chief Executive Officer
ESTACIO, Benjamin E.	Regional Service Head	Mindanao Service Region
INDITA, Erica C.	National Sales Director	Retail Banking Group
LUMAIN, Jonathan Edwin F.	Chief Technology Officer	Office of the Group Head - ITTSG
MACASAET, Vivian L.	Division Head	Management Services Division
MADONZA, Florentino M.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Controllershship Group
MANAGO, Jane N.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head - Wealth Management
MENDOZA, Jose Jayson L.	Division Head	Provincial Division – National Corporate Banking Group
MIRAL, Gerardo G.	Head of Consumer Lending Group	RCBC Savings Bank (Seconded)
NATIVIDAD, Maria Cecilia F.	Group Head	Office of the Group Head – Marketing Group

NOLASCO, Evelyn	Division Head	Asset Disposition
PAPILLA, Loida, C.	Division Head	Asset Management Support Division
PEJO, Arsilito A.	Regional Sales Director	Visayas Regional Office
PO, Honorata V.	Regional Sales Director	South Luzon Regional Office
QUIOGUE, Nancy J.	Regional Service Head	Metro Manila Service Region
RAMOS, Elsie S.	Division Head	Legal Services
REYES, Arlon B.	Segment Head	Large Local Corporate Segment
REYES, Ismael S.	Segment Head	Retail Banking Marketing Segment
REYES, Steven Michael T.	Segment Head	Commercial Trading and Sales
RODRIGO, Ma. Rosanna M.	Regional Sales Director	North Luzon Regional Office
RODRIGUEZ, Joseph Colin B.	Treasurer	RCBC Savings Bank (seconded)
SANTOS, Raoul V.	Division Head	Investment Services Division
SELIRIO, Libertine R.	Division Head	Global & Ecozone Segment – Division 1
SO, Johan C.	Division Head	Local Corp. Banking Segment Division 1
TABUENA, Cecilia E.	Segment Head	Local Corporate Banking Segment – Division II
TINIO, Ma. Angela V.	Segment Head	Commercial and Small Medium Enterprises Banking Segment
TIRADO, Gianni Franco D.	Regional Sales Director	Mindanao Region
TOMAS, Juan Gabriel R. IV	Division Head	Customer Services & Support Segment
USON, Raul Martin D.	Segment Head	Branch Services Support Segment
VALDES, Emmanuel Mari K.	Division Head	Deposit Product & Promotion Division
VALENA, Teodoro Eric D. Jr.	IT Head	Office of the Group Head - ITSSG

Four of the Directors and most of the Executive Officers mentioned herein have held their positions for at least five (5) years.

There are no compensation arrangements for members of the Board of Directors, other than the per diem and dividends provided under Article V, Section 8, and Article XI, Section 2, respectively, of the Bank's Revised By-Laws. Key executives also receive long term bonuses earned over a 5-year period, the amount of which is tied directly to shareholder value, profitability and enterprise value.

(e) Significant Employees: There is no person other than the entire human resources as a whole, and the executive officers, who is expected to make a significant contribution to the Bank.

(f) Family Relationships: None of the Bank's Directors are related to one another or to any of the Bank's executive officers.

(g) Legal Proceedings:

In the normal course of operations of the Bank, there are various outstanding commitments and contingent liabilities such as guarantees, commitments to extend credit, tax assessments, etc.

which are not reflected in the accompanying financial statements. Management does not anticipate losses from these transactions that will adversely affect results of operations.

In the opinion of Management, the suits and claims arising from the normal course of operations of the Bank that remain unsettled, if decided adversely, will not involve sums that would have a material effect on Bank's financial position or operating results.

Global Steel Philippines (SPV-AMC), Inc. ("GSP") and Global Ispat Holdings (SPV-AMC), Inc. ("GIH")

In October 2008, Global Steel Philippines (SPV-AMC), Inc. and Global Ispat Holdings (SPV-AMC), Inc. (collectively, "Global Steel"), which purchased the Iligan Plant assets of the National Steel Corporation ("NSC Plant Assets") from the Liquidator (as defined in the Asset Purchase Agreement ("APA") dated September 1, 2004) in 2004, initiated arbitration proceedings with the Singapore International Arbitration Center ("SIAC") seeking damages on account of the failure of the Liquidator and the Secured Creditors (as also defined in the APA), including the Bank and RCBC Capital, to deliver the NSC Plant Assets free and clear from liens and encumbrance, purportedly depriving Global Steel of the opportunity to use the NSC Plant Assets to secure additional loans to fund the operations of the NSC Steel Mill Plant and upgrade the same.

On May 9, 2012, the SIAC Arbitral Tribunal rendered a partial award in favor of Global Steel in the amounts of (a) US\$80.00 million, as and by way of lost opportunity to make profits and (b) ₱1,403.00 million, representing the value of the undelivered billet shop land measuring 3.41 hectares (the "Lost Land Claim"). On appeal, and on July 31, 2014, the Singapore High Court set aside the partial award. On March 31, 2015, the Singapore Court of Appeals rendered a decision which affirmed the earlier decision of the Singapore High Court but held that the Liquidator and Secured Creditors are still required to deliver to Global Steel clean title to the NSC Plant Assets.

The Bank's total exposure in connection with the obligation to transfer clean title to the NSC Plant Assets to Global Steel is approximately ₱209,121,055.18 in terms of estimated property taxes and transfer costs due on the NSC Plant Assets, as a result of the Philippine Supreme Court's affirmation of the ruling that all pre-closing taxes on the NSC Plant Assets are deemed paid. On the other hand, the Bank has a receivable from Global Steel in the amount of ₱485.50 million. The Bank has fully provisioned the receivable, which is classified in the books of the Bank as Unquoted Debt Securities Classified as Loans ("UDSCL") with zero net book value. The Bank's exposure, however, may be varied depending on whether the Iligan City's assessment of the post-closing taxes will be sustained as valid (including those imposed on non-operational machineries).

Notwithstanding the finality of the Philippine Supreme Court's ruling on the pre-closing taxes, on October 19, 2016, the City of Iligan foreclosed on National Steel Corporation properties after issuing a Notice of Delinquency against National Steel Corporation, seeking to collect the taxes covering the period 1999 to 2016. In an order dated April 4, 2017, the Makati City Regional Trial Court (a) nullified the public auction of the NSC Plant Assets, among others, (b) enjoined any and all real property tax collection actions against the National Steel Corporation until the decision dated October 7, 2011, which held that the National Steel Corporation pre-closing taxes have been paid, is fully executed and National Steel Corporation's remaining tax liabilities are correctly computed. The Local Government Unit ("LGU") and the Iligan City Treasurer, among others, moved for reconsideration of this order. To date, the matter remains pending.

Verotel Merchant Services B.V. ("VMS")

In 2011, Verotel Merchant Services B.V. ("VMS"), a Dutch corporation, and Verotel International Industries, Inc. ("VII"), a Philippine corporation, civilly sued the Bank, Bankard, Grupo Mercarse Corp., CNP, Worldwide, Inc. and several individuals before the Los Angeles Superior Court for

various causes of action including fraud, breach of contract and accounting, claiming that VII and its alleged parent company, VMS, failed to receive the total amount of US\$1.50 million, which the defendants allegedly misappropriated. VMS is an internet merchant providing online adult entertainment and online gambling, in addition to the sale of pharmaceuticals over the internet. Following an initial jury verdict in favor of VMS, and a series of subsequent motions and a reduction of monetary damages awarded to VMS, the Bank/Bankard filed their Notice of Appeal with the California Court of Appeals on July 11, 2016. On October 2, 2017, the Bank/Bankard filed their Revised Opening Brief on their appeal of the verdict with the California Court of Appeals. On March 28, 2018, the Bank/Bankard was advised of the filing of VMS's Combined Respondents' Brief and Cross-Appellants' Opening Brief.

RCBC Securities Case

In December 2011, RCBC Securities ("RSEC") initiated the filing of a criminal case for falsification against its former agent, Mary Grace V. Valbuena ("Valbuena"), who carried out certain questionable transactions with her own personal clients. Since then, RSEC has filed additional criminal and civil cases, including charges of violations of Bates Pambasa Blg. 22 ("BP 22"), against the aforesaid former agent. On November 17, 2016, the Metropolitan Trial Court of Makati City, Branch 86, convicted Valbuena of the crime of BP 22. Valbuena proposed to pay RSEC ₱30.00 million, payable in five years, in settlement of all the claims against her, which RSEC refused. Valbuena's appeal is now submitted for resolution, without prejudice to any settlement between the parties.

In May 2012, the Capital Markets Integrity Corporation ("CMIC") conducted an investigation on the complaint filed by Francisco Ken Cortes against RSEC. On July 3, 2015, the CMIC issued a Resolution of even date dismissing the complaint filed by Mr. Cortes. In October 2015, the CMIC affirmed the dismissal of Mr. Cortes' complaint with the denial of his Motion for Reconsideration dated 21 July 2015. Mr. Cortes did not file any appeal before the SEC en banc, so that the dismissal of his complaint is now final and executory.

In September 2014, Carlos S. Palanca IV ("Palanca") and Cognatio Holdings, Inc. ("Cognatio") likewise filed a complaint against RSEC with the CMIC, even as Cognatio's earlier complaint dated December 30, 2013 against RSEC, its former Vice President for Operations/Chief Finance Officer, its former Compliance Officer and Valbuena, is pending with the Enforcement and Investor Protection Department of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("EIPD-SEC") ("SEC Cognatio Case"). In its decision letter dated December 4, 2014, the CMIC dismissed the complaint on the ground of prescription and res judicata. Consequently, Palanca/Cognatio respectively appealed the case to the SEC en banc, which granted the appeals of Palanca/Cognatio and reversed the CMIC's decision. In turn, RSEC appealed the SEC en banc's reversal of the CMIC decision to the Court of Appeals. On October 27, 2017, the Court of Appeals granted RSEC's Petition for Review and reinstated the CMIC decision, ruling that Palanca/Cognatio committed willful and deliberate forum shopping. Palanca/Cognatio's Motion for Reconsideration, which RSEC has opposed via its Comment/ Opposition dated February 22, 2018, is currently pending resolution. The SEC Cognatio Case remains pending with the EIPD-SEC.

On February 22, 2013, Stephen Y. Ku ("Ku") filed a complaint against RSEC with the Regional Trial Court of Makati, Branch 149 (the "Makati Trial Court"), praying, among others, for the return of his shares of stock and cash payments which he claims to have turned over to Valbuena. On May 20, 2013, RSEC sought the dismissal of the complaint on the ground of non-payment of the correct filing fees and failure to state a case of action, which was, however, denied by the Makati Trial Court. Aggrieved, RSEC filed a Petition for Certiorari with the Court of Appeals on November 22, 2013, which was given due course. In the Decision dated October 9, 2014, the Court of Appeals sustained RSEC's position and ordered the dismissal of the complaint pending before the Makati Trial Court on the ground of lack of jurisdiction. In a Petition for Review dated September 15, 2015,

Ku sought the reversal of the ruling of the Court of Appeals, and as an alternative, prayed to be allowed to re-file his Complaint sans docket fees. The case remains pending with the Supreme Court.

Poverty Eradication and Alleviation Certificates (PEACs) Bonds

In October 2011, the Bank before the Court of Tax Appeals questioning the 20.00% final withholding tax on PEACe Bonds by the Bureau of Internal Revenue ("BIR"). The Bank subsequently withdrew its petition and joined various banks in their petition before the Philippine Supreme Court on the same matter. Notwithstanding the pendency of the case and the issuance of a Temporary Restraining Order by the Philippine Supreme Court, the Bureau of Treasury withheld ₱199.00 million in October 2011 from the Bank on the interest on its PEACe bonds holdings. The amount was recognized as part of Loans and Receivables account in the statements of financial position. On January 13, 2015, the Philippine Supreme Court nullified the 2011 BIR Rulings classifying all bonds as deposit substitutes and ordered the Bureau of Treasury to return the 20.00% final withholding tax it withheld on the PEACe Bonds on October 18, 2011. On March 18, 2015, the Bank and RCBC Capital filed a Motion for Clarification and/or Partial Reconsideration, seeking clarification to exclude from the definition "deposit substitutes" the PEACe Bonds since there was only one lender at the primary market, and subsequent sales in the secondary market pertaining to a sale or assignment of credit, which is not subject to withholding tax. The Bank and RCBC Capital also sought partial reconsideration to the ruling that should the PEACe Bonds be considered as deposit substitutes, the BIR should collect the unpaid final withholding tax directly from RCBC Capital/Code Non-Governmental Organization ("NGO"), or any lender or investor, as withholding agents, since there was no interest earned and collection of the withholding tax, if at all, has already prescribed.

In a Resolution dated October 5, 2016, the Supreme Court of the Philippines partially granted the Bank and RCBC Capital's Motion for Clarification and/or Partial Reconsideration, stating that (a) to determine whether the securities newly issued and sold by the Bureau of Treasury should be treated as "deposit substitutes", the phrase "at any one time" in relation to "20 or more lenders" should be reckoned at the time of their original issuance, (b) this interpretation, at any rate, cannot be applied retroactively since this would prejudice the Bank and RCBC Capital which relied in good faith on the rulings/opinions of the BIR that the transaction in issue is exempted from any final withholding tax, and (c) such being the case, the PEACe Bonds cannot be treated as deposit substitutes.

On April 11, 2017, the Bank received a copy of the Entry of Judgment stating, among others, that the Decision dated January 13, 2015 and the Resolution dated August 16, 2016, which partially granted the Motion for Clarification and/or Partial Reconsideration filed by the Bank and RCBC Capital, became final and executory on October 20, 2016. The Bureau of Treasury has settled ₱196,930,961.35 of the Bank's claim. The balance of ₱1,844,591.47, which is the subject of a deed of assignment in favor of the Bank (by a rural bank which has since been placed under liquidation), is the subject of discussion with the Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation and Bureau of Treasury.

Applicability of RR 4-2011

On March 15, 2011, the Bureau of Internal Revenue issued Revenue Regulations No. 4-2011 ("RR 4-2011") which prescribed that for income tax reporting purposes, banks and other financial institutions must (a) report costs and expenses either under Regular Banking Unit ("RBU") or FCDU/Expanded FCDU ("EFCDU") or Offshore Banking Unit ("OBU") if specifically identified as such; or (b) allocate such cost and expenses, which cannot be specifically identified, based on percentage share of gross income earnings of a unit. The BIR, however, issued assessment notices to banks and other financial institutions for deficiency income tax for alleged non-intra-unit

allocation of costs and expenses to exempt income and income subjected to final tax within RBU and within FCDU.

On April 6, 2015, the Bank and other member-banks of the Bankers Association of the Philippines ("BAP") ("Petitioners"), filed a Petition for Declaratory Relief with Application for Temporary Restraining Order ("TRO") and/or Writ of Preliminary Injunction with the Regional Trial Court of Makati ("Makati Trial Court"), wherein the Petitioners assailed the validity of RR 4-2011 on the ground, among others, that (a) RR 4-2011 violates the Petitioners' substantive due process rights; (b) it is not only illegal but also unfair; (c) that it serves as a deterrent to banks to invest in capital market transactions to the prejudice of the economy; and (d) it sets a dangerous precedent for the disallowance of full deductions due to the prescribed method of allocation.

On April 8, 2015, the Makati Trial Court issued a TRO enjoining the BIR from enforcing RR 4-2011. Also, on April 27, 2015, Makati Trial Court issued a Writ of Preliminary Injunction enjoining the BIR from enforcing, carrying out, or implementing in any way or manner RR 04-2011 against the Bank and other BAP member banks, including the issuing Preliminary Assessment Notice or Final Assessment Notice against them during the pendency of the litigation, unless sooner dissolved.

On June 10, 2015, Makati Trial Court issued a Confirmatory Order stating that the TRO and Writ of Preliminary Injunction also prohibits the BIR from ruling or deciding on any administrative matter pending before it in relation to the subject revenue regulations and insofar as the Bank and other BAP member banks are concerned. The pre-trial conference of the case began on August 2, 2016, and continued to August 3, 2017. During the hearing on August 3, 2017, in lieu of trial for the resolution of the case, the Makati Trial Court directed the parties to file their respective Memorandum on September 15, 2017. As of October 5, 2017, the parties have submitted their respective Memorandum.

Alleged Unauthorized Transfer of funds – Bank of Bangladesh

In February 2016, there was an alleged unauthorized transfer of funds from the Bank of Bangladesh to four accounts in the Bank, which were eventually transferred to various accounts outside of the Bank. In August 2016, the Monetary Board approved the imposition of supervisory action on the Bank to pay the amount of ₱1.00 billion in relation to the completed special examination. There may be other cases arising from these events. The has fully recognised the BSP's ₱1.00 billion fine as part of miscellaneous expenses in its 2016 Consolidated Statements of Profit or Loss, and it has paid this penalty in full ahead of the August 2017 deadline set by the BSP. The Bank's payment of the penalty did not affect its ability to perform its existing obligations or unduly hamper its operations.

On November 18, 2016, the AMLC filed a criminal complaint against current and former employees of the Bank in relation to the BOB Incident with the Department of Justice (DOJ). The AMLC alleged that Raul Victor B. Tan, Ismael S. Reyes, Brigitte R. Capiña, Nestor O. Pineda, Romualdo S. Agarrado and Angela Ruth S. Torres violated Section 4(f) of R.A. No. 9160, as amended ("AMLA"), in connection with the BOB Incident. The AMLC alleged that each of the named persons performed or failed to perform an act, which facilitated the crime of money laundering, particularly the remittance and eventual withdrawal of US\$81.00 million from certain accounts maintained at the Bank.

On March 27, 2017, current Bank employees Ismael S. Reyes, Brigitte R. Capiña and Romualdo S. Agarrado and former Bank employees Raul Victor B. Tan and Nestor O. Pineda filed affidavits contesting, among other things, their culpability and the existence of several required elements to the charges alleged by the AMLC. Between May and July 2017, the AMLC and the aforementioned

individuals filed various affidavits and manifestations in connection with the charges. In a Resolution dated February 5, 2018, the newly assigned DOJ investigating prosecutor found probable cause against Raul Victor B. Tan, et al., and recommended the filing of the corresponding Information against them. On March 22, 2018, Raul Victor B. Tan, Ismael S. Reyes, Brigitte R. Capiña, and Romualdo S. Agarrado timely filed their Motion for Reconsideration on the aforementioned Resolution.

On March 8, 2018, William S. Go, an existing client of the Bank and in another Business Center, and the Bank, filed criminal charges against (a) Maia Santos-Deguito, the former Branch Manager of the Makati Jupiter Business Center, and (b) Angela Ruth S. Torres, the former Senior Customer Service Officer of the Makati Jupiter Business Center, with the Office of the City Prosecutor of the Makati City ("OCP-Makati"). The criminal complaints alleged that the two former employees: (a) falsified bank documents in order to open fictitious U.S. Dollar and Peso denominated accounts in the name of William S. Go DBA Centurytex Trading, which were used in the transfer/conversion of US\$81.00 million subject of the BOB Incident, and (b) Angela Ruth S. Torres committed perjury when she executed the affidavit identifying William S. Go as the person who allegedly received the ₱20.00 million withdrawn from his fictitious Peso account on February 5, 2018. The OCP-Makati found probable cause to charge Maia Santos-Deguito with several counts of falsification. On the other hand, while the OCP-Makati dismissed the charges of falsification against Angela Ruth S. Torres, but it found probable cause to charge her for perjury. The criminal cases against Maia Santos-Deguito and Angela Ruth Torres are currently pending before the Makati Metropolitan Trial Court. The Bank has several other ongoing criminal cases or petitions for review currently pending in relation to actions that it has initiated against former Bank employees in relation to the BOB Incident.

There are no known trends, demands, and commitments, events, or uncertainties that will have a material impact on the Bank's operational performance and ability to service obligations.

Except for the above-mentioned proceedings, the Bank is not aware of any suits and claims by or against it or its subsidiaries, which if decided adversely would have a material effect on its financial position or operating results.

(h) Non-Involvement in Certain Legal Proceedings:

To the knowledge and/or information of the Bank, the nominees for election as Directors of the Bank, its present members of the Board of Directors or its Executive Officers, are not, presently or during the last five (5) years, involved or have been involved in any legal proceeding decided adversely affecting/involving themselves, and/or their property before any court of law or administrative body in the Philippines or elsewhere.

No director has resigned or declined to stand for re-election to the board of directors since the date of the annual meeting of security holders because of disagreement with the Bank on any matter relating to the Bank's operations, policies or practices.

To the knowledge and/or information of the Bank, none of the following events has occurred with respect to the nominees for election as Directors of the Bank, its present members of the Board of Directors, its Executive Officers, underwriters, or control persons during the last five (5) years:

- a. Any bankruptcy petition filed by or against any business of which such person was a general partner or executive officer either at the time of the bankruptcy or within two years prior to that time;

- b. Any conviction by final judgment in a criminal proceeding, domestic or foreign, or being subject to a pending criminal proceeding, domestic or foreign, excluding traffic violations and other minor offenses;
- c. Being subject to any order, judgment, or decree, not subsequently reversed, suspended or vacated, of any court of competent jurisdiction, domestic or foreign, permanently or temporarily enjoining, barring, suspending or otherwise limiting his involvement in any type of business, securities, commodities or banking activities; and
- d. Being found by a domestic or foreign court of competent jurisdiction (in a civil action), the Commission or comparable foreign body, or a domestic or foreign Exchange or other organized trading market or self-regulatory organization, to have violated a securities or commodities law or regulation and the judgment has not been reversed, suspended, or vacated.

(i) Certain Relationships and Related Transactions:

The Bank is a member of the Yuchengco Group of Companies (YGC). The Yuchengco family, primarily through Pan Malayan Management and Investment Corporation (PMMIC), is the largest shareholder. As of March 2018, PMMIC owned 473,963,631 certificated shares, approximately 33.86% of the Bank's issued and outstanding common shares. Total shareholdings comprising both certificated and scripless shares amount to 594,248,081, approximately 42.45% of the Bank's issued and outstanding common shares.

The Bank and its subsidiaries, in the ordinary course of business, engage in transactions with entities within the YGC. The Bank adheres to the policy that transactions with related parties are conducted at arm's length with any consideration paid or received by the Bank or any of its subsidiaries in connection with any such transaction being on terms no less favorable to the Bank than terms available to any unconnected third party under the same or similar circumstances, and the same has been institutionalized in the Bank's Policy on Related Party Transactions (the "Policy")

In May 2016, the Board approved the revised Policy on Related Party Transactions following BSP's issuance of Circular No. 895 or Guidelines on Related Party Transactions on December 14, 2015. The said policy adopted the definition of "related party transactions" under the circular. Thus, "related party transactions" are transactions or dealings with related parties of the Bank, including its trust department, regardless of whether or not a price is charged. These shall include, but not limited, to the following:

- On- and off-balance sheet credit exposures and claims and write-offs;
- Investments and/or subscriptions for debt/equity issuances;
- Consulting, professional, agency and other service arrangements/contracts;
- Purchases and sales of assets, including transfer of technology and intangible items (e.g. research and development, trademarks and license agreements)
- Construction arrangements/contracts;
- Lease arrangements/contracts;
- Trading and derivative transactions;
- Borrowings, commitments, fund transfers and guarantees;
- Sale, purchase or supply of any goods or materials; and
- Establishment of joint venture entities.

RPTs shall be interpreted broadly to include not only transactions that are entered into with related parties but also outstanding transactions that were entered into with an unrelated party that subsequently becomes a related party.

The term "related parties" under the Bank's policy is broader in scope as it includes members of the Advisory Board and consultants of the Bank.

The Bank constituted the Related Party Transactions Committee and RPT Management Committee to review and approve, as the case may be, related party transactions.

The Related Party Transactions Committee is a board-level committee that reviews material related party transactions to ensure that the terms are no less favorable to the Bank than terms available to any unconnected third party under the same or similar circumstances. A transaction is considered "material" if it involves an amount of at least P10,000,000.00, or the transaction requires Board approval such as in the case of DOSRI loans and other credit transactions. Material related party transactions are approved by the Board and subsequently presented to the stockholders at the Annual Stockholders Meeting for confirmation.

Transactions below the materiality threshold of P10,000,000.00 are reviewed and approved by the RPT Management Committee composed of Group Heads of the following units, or their respective designates.

1. Controllership Group
2. Operations Group
3. Corporate Risk Management Services ("CRISMS") Group
4. Retail Banking Group
5. Corporate Planning Group

Transactions approved by the RPT Management Committee are confirmed by the Board of Directors.

The Bank observes the following limits on exposures to related parties other than DOSRI, subsidiaries and affiliates:

	INDIVIDUAL	AGGREGATE
LOANS / CREDIT	SBL	50% of Capital
OTHER CONTRACT	None	10% of Capital

For DOSRI, subsidiaries and affiliates, the limits set by regulations are strictly observed.

Breaches in the foregoing limits are reportable to the Board of Directors with the decision of the Board to accept the exposure or to take steps to address the breaches, as may be necessary, duly documented in the minutes of the meeting.

Under BSP Circular No. 895, Banks are required to submit a report on material exposures to related parties, which shall include the material RPTs of their non-bank financial subsidiaries and affiliates within 20 calendar days after the end of the reference quarter.

Details of the Bank's major related party transactions in 2017 are described below:

- The total amount of Parent Company DOSRI loans was at P553 million as of end December 2016 and was at P509 million by end of December 2017.
- RCBC and certain subsidiaries engage in trade of investment securities as counterparties to the transaction. These transactions are priced similar to transactions with other counterparties outside the Group and there are no unsettled transactions as of the end of each reporting period.
- RCBC's and certain subsidiaries' retirement funds covered under their defined benefit post-employment plan maintained for qualified employees are administered and managed by

RCBC's and RSB's Trust Departments in accordance with the respective trust agreements covering the plan. The retirement fund neither provides guarantee or surety for any obligation of the Group nor its investment in its own shares of stock covered by any restriction and liens.

- RCBC and certain subsidiaries occupy several floors of RCBC Plaza as leaseholders of RCBC Realty Corporation (RRC). Rental expense incurred by the Group related to this lease arrangements is included as part of Occupancy and Equipment-related account in the statements of profit or loss. RCBC's lease contract with RRC is effective until December 31, 2020 after it was renewed in 2015 for another five years. The outstanding payable on the lease contract is presented as part of Accounts payable under Other Liabilities account in the 2017 and 2016 statements of financial position. The related outstanding payable is unsecured, noninterest-bearing and payable in cash on demand.
- RCBC entered into sublease agreements with certain subsidiaries which occupy several floors of RCBC Plaza. Rental income by RCBC related to the sublease arrangements is included as part of Rentals under the Miscellaneous income account in the statements of profit or loss. The outstanding receivable on the lease contracts is presented as part of Accounts receivable under Loans and Receivables account in the statements of financial position. The related outstanding receivable is unsecured, noninterest-bearing and payable in cash on demand. Management believes that the receivables on the sublease agreements are fully recoverable.
- In October 2013, RCBC and RSB entered into a lease agreement covering certain office and parking spaces of RSB Corporate Center at a monthly rental fee of P7. The monthly rental payments are subject to an escalation rate of 5% annually effective in 2014 up to the 5th year of the lease term. The lease is for a period for five years which shall end in October 2018 and renewable as may be agreed by the parties. The outstanding receivable on the lease contract is presented as part of Accounts receivable under Loans and Receivables account in the statements of financial position. The related outstanding receivable is unsecured, noninterest-bearing and payable in cash on demand. Management believes that receivable from the lease contract is fully recoverable.
- RCBC has a Service Agreement (the Agreement) with RBSC, wherein RBSC shall provide RCBC with marketing, distribution, technical, collection and selling assistance and processing services in connection with the operation of RCBC's credit card business. The total service processing fees incurred by RCBC is recognized as part of the Service and processing fees under the Miscellaneous Expenses account in the statements of profit or loss. The outstanding payable related to the service agreement is presented as part of Accounts payable under Other Liabilities account in the statements of financial position. The related outstanding payable is unsecured, noninterest-bearing and payable in cash on demand.

Transactions which are considered to have no material impact on the financial statements as the amounts paid represent less than five percent (5%) of total assets:

- The Bank entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with HI, a member of the YGC, for the procurement of outsourcing services. Under the agreement, HI is the Bank's sole representative in negotiating the terms of the contracts with selected suppliers or service providers for the procurement of certain outsourcing services, primarily IT related services. The agreement stipulated that HI would not charge fees for its service except for its share in the savings generated from suppliers and service providers. Moreover, HI is obligated to ensure that the contracts they initiate do not prejudice the Bank in any way and that the Bank does not pay more than the cost of buying the items without aggregation.

Transactions with subsidiaries which are eliminated in the consolidated financial statements are as follows:

- The Bank has service agreements with RCBC Savings Bank (RSB) and Bankard Inc. (now RBSC) for the in-sourced internal audit services. The Bank provides full-scope audit services to RSB and limited audit services to Bankard Inc., specifically IT audit, operations audit and financial statements review. Also, the Bank has formalized the service agreements for the internal audit services being provided to subsidiaries namely: RCBC Capital Corp., RCBC Securities, Inc., RCBC Forex Brokers Corp., Merchant Savings and Loan Association, Inc. (Rizal Microbank), RCBC Leasing and Finance Corporation and Niyog Property Holdings, Inc.
- The Bank has a service agreement with RCBC Forex Brokers Corporation (RCBC Forex) for in-sourced services, to be rendered by the following business units: 1) business and operational risk, 2) compliance, 3) internal audit, 4) information technology, and 5) human resources. The services shall be limited to: compliance with relevant laws, rules and regulations, market, liquidity, and operational risk management, internal audit, information technology, review of salary and processing of payroll on a bi-monthly basis, and implementation of exclusive succession planning, human resources information system and database administration and organization of training programs.
- The Bank has a service agreement with RCBC Forex and RSB for the referral of money service business customers to RCBC Forex, to facilitate the purchase and/or sale of foreign currencies. The services to be rendered are relative to account opening and compliance with customer identification regulatory requirements.

The Bank's other transactions with affiliates include service agreements, leasing office premises to subsidiaries which is eliminated during consolidation, and regular banking transactions (including purchases and sales of trading account securities, securing insurance coverage on loans and property risks and intercompany advances), all of which are at arms' length and conducted in the ordinary course of business.

The Bank does not have any transactions with promoters within the past five (5) years. The Bank does not have transactions with parties that fall outside the definition of related parties under SFAS/PAS No. 24, but with whom the registrants or its related parties have a relationship that enables the parties to negotiate terms of material transactions that may not be available from other, more clearly independent parties on an arm's length basis.

The foregoing information is correlated with the information in Note 28 of the Audited Financial Statements annexed to this Information Statement (please see Notes to Financial Statements, Annex "B-1").

6. Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers

Executive Compensation:

Information as to the aggregate compensation paid or accrued during the last three fiscal years to the Bank's Chief Executive Officer and four other most highly compensated executive officers follows (in thousand pesos):

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES			
Names	Principal Position	Aggregate Compensation (net of Bonuses)	Bonuses
2018 Estimate			
Gil A. Buenaventura	President & Chief Executive Officer	74,104	55,063
Redentor C. Bancod	Senior Executive Vice President		
John Thomas G. Deveras	Senior Executive Vice President		
Chester Y. Luy	Senior Executive Vice President		
Rommel S. Latinazo	Executive Vice President		

2017 Actual			
Gil A. Buenaventura	President & Chief Executive Officer	65,870	48,946
Redentor C. Bancod	Senior Executive Vice President		
John Thomas G. Deveras	Senior Executive Vice President		
Chester Y. Luy	Senior Executive Vice President		
Rommel S. Latnazo	Executive Vice President		
2016 Actual			
Gil A. Buenaventura	President & Chief Executive Officer	45,728	14,582
Redentor C. Bancod	Senior Executive Vice President		
John Thomas G. Deveras	Senior Executive Vice President		
Michaelangelo R. Aguilar	Executive Vice President		
Emmanuel T. Narciso	First Senior Vice President		
Officers and Directors as a Group Unnamed			
2018 Estimate		2,318,608	1,085,180
2017 Actual		2,060,985	964,604
2016 Actual		1,889,554	580,200

Profit Sharing Bonus:

The members of the Board of Directors, the Advisory Board, the Executive Committee and the Officers of the Bank are entitled to profit sharing bonus as provided for in Section 2 Article XI of the By-Laws of the Bank.

Likewise, the members of the Board of Directors and the Advisory Board are entitled to per diem for every meeting they attended. For the years 2017 and 2016, total per diem amounted to P10.005 Million and P10.667 Million, respectively.

The above-named executive officers and directors, and all officers and directors as a group, do not hold equity warrants or options as the Bank does not have any outstanding equity warrants or options.

7. Independent Public Accounts

Punongbayan and Areullo (P&A) acts as the independent auditor of RCBC, RCBC Savings Bank, RCBC Forex Brokers Inc., and RCBC Leasing and Finance Corporation since 2006, of RCBC Capital since 2003, of Merchants Savings and Loan Association, Inc. since 2008 and of RCBC JPL since 2009.

In connection with the audits of the Bank's financial statements for the two (2) most recent years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, there were no disagreements with P&A on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, audit scope or procedure.

P&A has been the independent external auditor of the Bank beginning with the audited financial statements (AFS) for the year ended December 31, 2005 and they will be recommended for re-appointment at the scheduled annual stockholders' meeting. For period 2005-2009 Mr. Leonardo Cuareşma, Jr. was the handling/signing partner of the Bank. Mr. Cuareşma, Jr. was replaced by Mr. Romualdo V. Murcia III as the handling/signing partner in 2010 and 2011. Mr. Murcia was replaced by Mr. Benjamin P. Valdez in 2012 and 2013. Starting 2014, Ms. Maria Isabel E. Cornedia has been the handling/signing partner of the Bank.

Representatives of P&A are expected to be present at the stockholders' meeting and will have the opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so and will be available to answer appropriate questions.

The Members of the Audit and Compliance Committee are as follows: Mr. Melito S. Salazar, Jr. as Chairman, and Atty. Adelita A. Vergel De Dios and Vaughn F. Montes as Members.

The Bank is in compliance with the SRC Rule 68 (3)(b)(iv)

8. Compensation Plans – Not Applicable

C. ISSUANCE AND EXCHANGE OF SECURITIES

9. Authorization or Issuance of Securities Other than for Exchange – Not applicable

10. Modification or Exchange of Securities – Not applicable

11. Financial and Other Information

- a. Financial statements meeting the requirements of SRC Rule 68, as amended**
Please see Annex "B" (include Supplementary Schedules required by SRC Rule 68-
Please see Annex "B-2")
- b. Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD & A) or Plan of Operation**
Please see Annex "A"
- c. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosures**
None.
- d. A statement as to whether or not representatives of the principal accountants for the current year and for the most recently completed fiscal year:**
Representatives of Punongbayan & Araullo are expected to be present at the stockholders' meeting and will have the opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so and will be available to answer appropriate questions.

12. Mergers, Consolidations, Acquisitions and Similar Matters – Not applicable

13. Acquisition or Disposition of Property – Please see Note 13 and 14 of the attached Audited Financial Statements in Annex B

14. Restatement of Accounts – None.

D. OTHER MATTERS

15. Action with Respect to Reports

The Management Report, as set forth in the Annual Report, and the Minutes of the previous stockholders' regular meeting held on June 27, 2017 and special stockholders' meeting held on January 29, 2018 will be submitted for stockholders' approval

Approval of the Annual Report constitutes a ratification of the Bank's performance during the previous fiscal years as contained in the Annual Report.

Approval of the June 27, 2017 Minutes constitutes a ratification of the accuracy and faithfulness of the Minutes to the events that transpired during said meeting, such as: (a) 2016 annual report and audited financial statements, (b) ratification of actions and proceedings of the Board of Directors, different Committees and Management during the year 2016, (d) confirmation of significant transactions with DOSRI and related parties, (e) election of directors, and (f) appointment of

external auditor. Approval of the January 29, 2018 Minutes constitutes a ratification of the accuracy and faithfulness of the Minutes to the events that transpired during said meeting, particularly: (a) increase in authorized capital stock through an increase in authorized common shares from 1.4 Billion to 2.6 Billion, and (b) amendment of Article Seventh of the Articles of Incorporation to reflect the increase in authorized capital stock.

The corporate acts of the Board of Directors, different Committees and Management that are subject to ratification are those made from the date of the last annual stockholders' meeting (June 27, 2017) up to the date of the meeting (June 25, 2018), including those made during the special stockholders' meeting on January 29, 2018. These include, among others, those that involve day-to-day operation, administration and management of the corporate affairs such as approval of loans, restructuring of past due accounts, sale of ROPOAs, appointment/resignation of directors/officers, sanctions/disciplinary measures imposed to erring officers/employees, and authority to file criminal/civil complaints.

16. Matters Not Required to be Submitted – Not applicable

17. Amendment of Charter, By-Laws or Other Documents

Among the matters approved by the stockholders during the January 29, 2018 special stockholders' meeting is the amendment of the Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of increasing the Authorized Capital Stock through an increase in the Authorized Common Shares from 1.4 Billion to 2.6 Billion.

The proposal to increase the Authorized Common Shares to 2.6 Billion from 1.4 Billion (with par value of Php10.00 per share) is due to a projected 16% increase in Risk Weighted Assets in 2018 over the forecast end-2017 level. The Bank will need to raise capital within 2018 so as not to fall below the minimum capital thresholds. The amendment of the Articles of Incorporation will allow the increase of the Bank's Authorized Capital Stock which, in turn, will enable the Bank to prepare for future capital raising activities.

Article Seventh of the Articles of Incorporation will be amended to reflect the increase in Authorized Common Shares to 2.6 Billion from 1.4 Billion (with par value of Php10.00 per share).

The Bank is in the process of securing BSP and SEC approval of the foregoing.

Pursuant to the duly delegated authority to amend or repeal (or adopt new) By-laws, as set forth under Resolution No. 06-00 issued by the stockholders representing at least 2/3 of the outstanding capital stock in the Annual Stockholders' Meeting held on June 22, 2000), the Board of Directors, in a meeting held on July 31, 2017, duly approved the amendment of Articles I and XI of the Bank's By-Laws to reflect the correct and current address of the Head Office of the Bank and to set the parameters for the distribution and computation of profit sharing.

The BSP and SEC have given their respective approvals for the foregoing amendments to the By-laws. The SEC issued the corresponding Certificate of Filing of Amended By-laws on May 17, 2018.

18. Other Proposed Action – Not applicable

19. Voting Procedures

The vote required for election or approval.

In the election of Directors, the fifteen (15) nominees with the greatest number of votes will be elected Directors.

In the other proposals or matters submitted to a vote, a vote of the majority or super majority, as the case may be, of the shares of the capital stock of the Bank present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting is necessary for approval of such proposals or matters.

The method by which votes will be counted

Each shareholder may vote in person or by proxy the number of shares of stock standing in his name on the books of the Bank. Each share represents one vote. Voting shall be by balloting. An independent third party, Punongbayan & Araullo, shall validate and count the votes to be cast.

No director has informed the Bank of any intention to oppose the matters to be taken up in the annual meeting.

20. Update on the Company's Pre-emptive/Stock Rights Offering

In connection with the stock rights offering approved by the Board of Directors on January 29, 2018, the Bank has a pending application with the Philippine Stock Exchange for the listing of up to 540.00 million shares of common stock (Rights Shares) with a par value of ₱10.00 per share. The Bank intends to source all of the Rights Shares from the increase in the authorized capital stock of the Bank. The request for endorsement and application for increase in authorized capital stock has been submitted to the BSP and the SEC, respectively. The pending documents required by the BSP and the SEC, all of which can only be prepared and finalized after the Offer Period, will be filed with the BSP and the SEC immediately after the Offer Period. The SEC's approval for the increase in authorized capital stock is expected after the completion of the Rights Offer.

The Rights Shares will be issued after approval by the SEC and the issuance of the Certificate of Approval of Increase in Capital Stock and Certificate of Filing of Amended Articles of Incorporation. Subscription payments received will be applied as paid in capital for the increase in authorized capital stock and thereafter will be used to enable the Bank to (i) comply with the minimum capital thresholds required by the BSP and support the growth in the risk assets of the Bank over the next three years, and (ii) to support the increase in the Bank's authorized capital stock taking into consideration the required minimum subscribed and paid-up capital for such increase as prescribed by the Corporation Code.

E. OTHER CERTIFICATIONS

Attached is the written certification by the Corporate Secretary on directors and officers working with the government as Annex "C." Attached as Annex "D" to "D-8" are the Certifications of Independent Directors

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information given in this Information Statement is true, complete and correct. This Statement is signed in the City of Makati on May 22, 2018.

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION

By:


GEORGE GILBERT G. DELA CUESTA
Corporate Secretary

NOTICE OF MEETING

Dear Stockholder:

Please be advised that the Annual Stockholders' Meeting of the Bank will be held on **June 25, 2018** at the Alfonso Sycip Executive Lounge, 47th Floor, Yuchengco Tower, RCBC Plaza, Ayala Ave., cor. Gil Puyat Ave., Makati City at 4:00 P. M., for the purpose of considering and acting on the following matters:

1. **Proof of Due Notice of the Meeting**
2. **Determination of the Presence of Quorum**
3. **Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders held on June 27, 2017**
4. **Approval of the Annual Report and the Audited Financial Statements for 2017**
5. **ratification of the actions and proceedings of the Board of Directors, different Committees and Management during the year 2017**
6. **Confirmation of significant transactions with DOSRI and related parties**
7. **Election of Directors**
8. **Appointment of External Auditor**
9. **Such other matters as may properly come before the meeting**
10. **Open Forum**

Enclosed is a copy of the Information Statement pursuant to Section 20-18 of the Securities Regulation Code.

Only stockholders of record at close of business on June 5, 2018 will be entitled to vote at the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

We are not soliciting your proxy. However, you may attend the meeting by submitting a duly-accomplished proxy substantially in the the form attached hereto to the Corporate Secretary through the following address not later than **5:00 P.M. of June 14, 2018.**

The validation of proxies shall be held on **June 18, 2018 at 2:00 pm** at the Office of the Corporate Secretariat.

Corporate Secretariat Unit
21st Floor, RCBC Plaza, Tower II
6819 Ayala Avenue corner
San. Gil J. Puyat Avenue, Makati City

May 22, 2018 Makati City, Metro Manila, Philippines,


GEORGE GILBERT G. DELA CUESTA
Corporate Secretary



PROXY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That I, _____, a shareholder of the RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION (the "Corporation"), a domestic corporation, do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint _____, with full power of substitution and delegation, as the proxy, of the undersigned to represent and vote all shares registered in my name on the books of Corporation, or owned by me at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders on June 25, 2018 of said Corporation, and any adjournment/s thereof, as fully to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if present and acting in my person, hereby ratifying and confirming any and all acts which my said attorney and proxy may do in or upon any and all matters which may properly come before any said meeting, or any adjournment or adjournments thereof, upon the proposals enumerated below.

In case of absence of _____ and any substitute proxy designated by him at the said meeting, the undersigned hereby grants the Chairman of the meeting chosen accordance with the Corporation's By-Laws or, in case of his absence the President of the Corporation, full power and authority to act as alternate proxy of the undersigned at such meeting.

The proxy/substitute proxy/alternate proxy, as the case may be, shall vote subject to the instructions indicated below and the proxy/substitute proxy/alternate proxy, as the case may be, is authorized to vote in his discretion upon other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting of Stockholders and any adjournments or postponements thereof. Where no specific instruction is clearly indicated below, the proxy/substitute proxy/alternate proxy, as the case may be, shall vote and shall be deemed authorized to vote "FOR" with respect to Proposal 1 to 6 and "FOR ALL" with respect to Proposal 7.

PROPOSALS AND VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

Management recommends a "FOR" vote for Proposal 1 and a "FOR ALL" vote for Proposal 2

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN
1. Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders held on June 27, 2017	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Approval of the Annual Report and the Audited Financial Statements for 2017	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Ratification of the actions and proceedings of the Board of Directors, different Committees and Management during the year 2017	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Confirmation of Significant Transactions with DOSRI and Related Parties	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Appointment of Punongbayan & Araullo as External Auditor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. At their discretion, the proxies named above are authorized to vote upon such other matters as may properly come before the meeting.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7. Election of Directors 15 Directors (8 Regular Directors and 7 Independent Directors)

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| a. Ms. Helen Y. Dee | i. Mr. Armando M. Medina |
| b. Mr. Cesar E.A. Virata | j. Mr. Juan B. Santos |
| c. Mr. Gil A. Buenaventura | k. Amb. Lilia R. Bautista |
| d. Mr. Tze Ching Chan | l. Mr. Melito S. Salazar, Jr. |
| e. Mr. Richard Gordon Alexander Westlake | m. Atty. Adelita A. Vergel De Dios |
| f. Mr. John Law | n. Mr. Gabriel S. Claudio |
| g. Mr. Yuh-Shing (Francis) Peng | o. Mr. Vaughn F. Montes |
| h. Atty. Florentino M. Herrera | |

For All

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Withhold For All

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Exceptions

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Exceptions:

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| b. _____ | g. _____ | l. _____ |
| c. _____ | h. _____ | m. _____ |
| d. _____ | i. _____ | n. _____ |
| e. _____ | j. _____ | o. _____ |

The stockholder may withhold authority to vote for any or some nominee(s), by marking the exception box and writing the name(s) of such nominee(s) on the space provided above. If the stockholder designates exception(s), the number of shares to be distributed to each of the remaining nominees must be indicated on the spaces provided above.

The stockholder can either (a) vote for all of the nominees, in which case the stockholder's total votes will be split and cast equally among the nominee(s); (b) withhold his vote for all of the nominees; or (c) vote only for some and not all of the nominees, in which case the stockholder's total votes will be distributed and cast as indicated by the stockholder in the spaces provided above. If the stockholder does not indicate the number of shares to be distributed among the remaining nominees who are not named on the spaces for exceptions above, then the stockholder's total votes will be split and cast equally among the remaining nominees. The total number of votes which a stockholder may cast is equal to fifteen (15) times the number of shares of common stock and voting preferred stock held as of the Record Date.

This proxy shall be valid for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Corporation on June 25, 2018 unless sooner withdrawn by me through notice in writing delivered to the Corporate Secretary. In case I shall be present at the meeting, this proxy stands revoked.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the undersigned shareholder, have executed this proxy at _____ this _____ day of _____, 2018.

(Signature Over Printed Name)

- ☐ Stockholder
☐ Authorized Representative
of Stockholder

Date: _____ 2018

PLEASE SEE NEXT PAGE

PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

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RECEIPT

Received from RCBC one (1) envelope containing the following.

- ✓ Notice of Annual Meeting of Stockholders on June 25, 2018 and Information Statement (CD Format)
- ✓ Proxy Form
- ✓ Reply Envelope
- ✓ 2017 Annual Report

Received By: _____
(Signature Over Printed Name)

Date: _____

GENERAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. *Submission of Proxy*

- (a) The proxy form must be completed, signed and dated by the stockholder or his duly authorized representative, and received at the principal office and mailing address of the Company not later than **5:00 P.M. of June 14, 2018**.
- (b) If the proxy is given by one or more joint owners of shares of stock of the Company, the proxy form must be signed by all of the joint owners.
- (c) If the shares of stock of the Company are owned in an "and/or" capacity, the proxy form must be signed by either one of the registered owners.
- (d) If the proxy is given by a holder of shares of stock of the Company that is a corporation, association, partnership or unincorporated entity, the proxy form must be accompanied by a certification signed by a duly authorized officer, partner or representative of such corporation, association, partnership or unincorporated entity, to the effect that the person signing the proxy form has been authorized by the governing body or has the power pursuant to the By-Laws, constitutive documents or duly approved policies of such corporation, association, partnership or unincorporated entity, for such purpose.
- (e) A proxy given by a broker or dealer in respect of shares of stock of the Company earned by such broker or dealer for the account of a customer must be supported by a sworn certification that the same is given with the express prior authorization of such customer.
- (f) If any customer of a broker or dealer who is the beneficial owner of shares of stock of the Company executes a sub-proxy, the broker or dealer shall certify that the signature on the sub proxy is the true and genuine signature of its customer.

2. *Revocation of Proxy*

A holder of shares of stock of the Company who has given a proxy has the power to revoke it by written instrument duly signed and dated, which must be received at the Company's principal office and mailing address not later than **5:00 P.M. of June 22, 2018**. A proxy is also considered suspended if an individual stockholder attends the meeting in person and expresses his intention to vote in person for the duration of said meeting, and shall continue to be in full force and effect thereafter.

3. *Validation of Proxy*

The validation of proxies will be held on June 18, 2018 at 2:00 pm at the Office of the Corporate Secretary. Validation of proxies will be done by the Corporate Secretary and persons designated by the Corporate Secretary who shall be under his supervision and control, in accordance with the procedure and guidelines set out in the Company's By-Laws and Section 11(b) of the SRC Rule 20.



RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION

AGENDA

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS

DATE : 25 June 2018

TIME : 4:00 P. M.

PLACE : Alfonso Sycip Executive Lounge
47th Floor, RCBC Plaza
Yuchengco Tower
Ayala Ave., cor. Gil Puyat Ave.
Makati City

1. Proof of the Due Notice of the Meeting
2. Determination of the presence of a Quorum
3. Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders held on June 27, 2017
4. Approval of the Annual Report and the Audited Financial Statements for 2017
5. Ratification of the actions and proceedings of the Board of Directors, different Committees and Management during the year 2017
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7. Election of Directors
8. Appointment of External Auditor
9. Other Matters
10. Open Forum
11. Adjournment

**RATIONALE AND EXPLANATION
FOR AGENDA ITEMS REQUIRING SHAREHOLDERS' APPROVAL**

1. Proof of Due Notice of the Meeting

Rationale/ Explanation.	Only stockholders of record as of June 5, 2018 shall be entitled to notice and vote at the meeting. The notice of the meeting, which shall contain, in addition to the date, hour and place of such meeting, a statement of the matters to be taken up at such meeting, shall be delivered personally or by registered mail, with return card, postage prepaid, at least fifteen (15) business days prior to the date thereof, addressed to each stockholder at his address appearing on the books of the Corporation in
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accordance with Article IV, Section 1 (c) of the Amended By-Laws of the Corporation.

2. Determination of the presence of a Quorum

Rationale/ Explanation:	Quorum shall consist of stockholders owning the majority of the subscribed capital stock represented in person or by proxy. The Corporate Secretary shall declare whether or not a quorum exists for the Annual Stockholders Meeting.
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3. Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders held on June 27, 2017

Rationale/ Explanation:	Approval of the June 27, 2017 Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders constitutes a ratification of the accuracy and faithfulness of the Minutes to the events that transpired during said meeting, such as, (a) 2016 annual report and audited financial statements, (b) ratification of actions and proceedings of the Board of Directors, different Committees and Management during the year 2016, (c) confirmation of significant transactions with DOSRI and related parties, (d) election of directors, and (e) appointment of external auditor;
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A vote representing majority of stockholders represented and eligible to vote during the meeting is required to pass a resolution on this matter.

4. Approval of the Annual Report and the Audited Financial Statements for 2017

Rationale/ Explanation:	Approval of the Annual Report constitutes a ratification of the Bank's performance during the previous fiscal years as contained in the Annual Report. The Annual Report will contain the results of the operation of the Company during the year 2017. The financial statements as of December 31, 2017 will also be presented and endorsed for approval by the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee. The Audited Financial Statements for 2017 will be attached to the Definitive Information Statement and is incorporated in the Bank's SEC 17-A (Annual Report) submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and available on the Bank's website.
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A vote representing majority of stockholders represented and eligible to vote during the meeting is required to pass a resolution on this matter.

5. Ratification of the actions and proceedings of the Board of Directors, different Committees and Management during the year 2017

Rationale/ Explanation:	The corporate acts of the Board of Directors, different Committees and Management that are subject to ratification are those made from the date of the last annual stockholders' meeting (June 27, 2017) up to the date of the meeting (June 25, 2018). These include, among others, those that involve the day-to-day operation, administration and management of the corporate affairs such as approval of loans, restructuring of past due accounts, sale of RPOAs, appointment/ resignation of directors/ officers, sanctions/disciplinary measures imposed to erring officers/employees, authority to file criminal/civil complaints.
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A vote representing majority of stockholders represented and eligible to vote during the meeting is required to pass a resolution on this matter.

6. Confirmation of Significant Transactions with DOSRI and Related Parties

Rationale/ Explanation:	Significant transactions with DOSRI and related parties for the year 2017 include: loans and deposit liabilities, trading of investment securities, lease with RCBC Realty Corporation; lease with RCBC Savings Bank (RSB); agreement with House of Investments for the procurement of outsourcing services; service agreements with RCBC Savings Bank and Bankard Inc. (now RBSC); service agreements with RCBC Capital Corp., RCBC Securities, Inc., RCBC Forax Brokers Corp., Merchant Savings and Loan Association, Inc. (Rizal Microbank), RCBC Leasing and Finance Corporation and Niyog Property Holdings, Inc.; and the administration and management of some of the subsidiaries' retirement funds. The Bank's other transactions with affiliates include service agreements, leasing office premises to subsidiaries, and regular banking transactions (such as purchases and sales of trading account securities, securing insurance coverage on loans and property risks and intercompany advances). Details of said related party transactions are disclosed in the Bank's SEC 17-A Report which is also available on the Bank's website.
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In accordance with BSP Circular No. 895 dated December 14, 2015, which requires the Bank's stockholders to confirm by majority vote, the Bank's significant transactions with DOSRI and related parties, the above-mentioned significant transactions are presented to the stockholders for confirmation.

7. Election of Directors

Rationale/ Explanation:	The By-Laws of the Bank allows all shareholders, including minority stockholders, the right to nominate candidates for the Board of Directors. Nominees for election as members of the Board of Directors of RCBC, including nominees for election as independent Directors, as well as their profiles will be provided in the Definitive Information Statement.
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A vote representing majority of stocks represented and eligible to vote during the meeting is required to pass a resolution on this matter.

8. Appointment of External Auditor

Rationale/ Explanation:	The Audit and Compliance Committee will screen and endorse to the stockholders the appointment of a selected qualified SEC-accredited auditing firm as external auditor of RCBC for the year 2018, including their proposed remuneration. The profile of the external auditor will be provided in the Definitive Information Statement.
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A vote representing majority of stocks represented and eligible to vote during the meeting is required to pass a resolution on this matter.

9. Other Matters

Rationale/ Explanation:	Other matters that may have arisen after the Notice of Meeting and Agenda have been sent out, or those raised throughout the meeting may be presented to the stockholders for consideration. Stockholders may also propose to consider such other relevant matters or issues.
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10. Open Forum

Rationale/
Explanation.

The Chairman shall also open the floor for comments and questions by stockholders

11. Adjournment

ANNUAL REPORT ACCOMPANYING INFORMATION STATEMENT REQUIRED UNDER SRC RULE 17.1 (b)

(A) Audited Consolidated Financial Statements

The Audited Financial Statements of the Bank as of December 31, 2017 are contained in the latest annual report sent to security holders at the Annual Stockholders' meeting on June 25, 2018. They are also attached to the Information Statement.

(B) Management Discussion and Analysis of Financial Conditions and Results of Operations (2015-2017) and Plan of Operation

2015

Philippine GDP growth in 2015 was at 5.8%, slower vs. 6.1% in 2014, but still among the fastest growing economies, not only in ASEAN, but in the whole of Asia, amid improved economic and credit fundamentals, such as favorable demographics (i.e. demographic sweet spot or majority of the population reached working age in 2015), relatively low interest rates that continued to spur more investments and overall economic growth, as fundamentally supported by benign inflation amid low prices of crude oil and other global commodities. Continued growth in OFW remittances, BPO revenues, and foreign tourist revenues continued to support consumer spending, which accounted for about 69.3% of the Philippine economy in 2015. The ASEAN Economic Integration started in end-2015 and is expected to lead to greater economic growth, going forward.

Philippine GNP growth (2015) was at 5.4%, slower compared to 5.8% in 2014.

In terms of industrial origin, Services (57% of GDP) grew by 6.7%, faster than 5.9% in 2014, among the major contributors to economic growth. Industry (33.5% of GDP) grew by 6%, slower vs. 7.9% in 2014, amid slower growth in exports due to the global economic slowdown. Agriculture (9.5% of GDP) grew by 0.2%, slower vs. 1.6% in 2014 after El Nino in the early part of 2015 and typhoon in the latter part of the year.

In terms of expenditure shares, the major contributors to the country's economic growth in 2015 were: Consumer Spending (69.3% of GDP) at 6.2%, faster vs. 5.4% in 2014, Investments (23.5% of GDP) at 13.6%, faster vs. 5.4% in 2014, and Government Spending (10.4% of GDP) at 9.4%, faster vs. 1.7% in 2014. However, Exports (46.8% of GDP) grew by at 5.5% in 2015, slower vs. 11.3% in 2014 amid the slower global economic growth, especially in China, the world's second biggest economy.

Philippine economic growth remained resilient by growing for 68th straight quarter, despite the slower global economic growth brought about by the slowdown in China, recession in Japan, risk of recession, deflation in the Euro zone, and increased global market volatility. Softer global economic growth also supported the drop in world oil prices by at least 30% in 2015 amid increased US crude oil supplies due to shale production, decreased global oil demand, and increased crude oil production. The Philippines, which imports almost all its oil, benefited from this in terms of lower inflation and reduced import bill.

The US economy, the world's biggest, continued to recover in 2015, fundamentally supporting the decision of the US Federal Reserve to increase key monetary interest rates by 0.25 basis points on December 16, 2015. This resulted partly to some volatility in the global financial markets.

China, the world's second largest economy and among the biggest importers of commodities, has experienced slower economic growth. This partly led to the devaluation of yuan in August 2015, which partly triggered the global market sell-off. The resulting lower prices of crude oil and other

global commodities may have benefited the Philippines, which imports almost all of its oil, but partly led to increased global market volatility.

The local economy was partly supported by the continued growth in OFW remittances, sustained strong growth in the BPO industry, still relatively low interest rates compared to recent years that spurred greater economic activity, pick up in manufacturing, continued growth in tourism, and rollout of more infrastructure/PPP projects.

Inflation averaged 1.4% in 2015, sharply lower compared to 4.1% in 2014, below the 2%-4% target range of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), largely due to the continued decline global crude oil/commodity prices. Inflation reached a record low of 0.4% in October 2015.

The 91-day Treasury bill yield ended 2015 at 1.836%, up from 1.416% in 2014, and significantly up from a record low of 0.001% in end-2013, but still considered relatively low compared to recent years.

Key Philippine interest rates in the secondary market, as measured by the PDST yields, were mostly higher in 2015, with short-term tenors ended the year above 2%, with an increase of 0.29-0.49 percentage points for the year, while long-term tenors went up by at least 0.50 percentage points. The 3-month PDST-R2 yield was at 2.67% as of end-2015, higher by 0.29 percentage points for the year.

The BSP maintained its key overnight interest rates in 2015 at 4.00% for its key overnight borrowing rate, from the record low of 3.50% in end-2013. The also BSP maintained its SDA rate in 2015 at 2.50%, from the record low of 2.00% in end-2013.

Interest rates still considered relatively low compared to recent years, despite the uptick in 2015, and still translated to relatively low borrowing costs that encouraged greater economic activities in terms of creating new businesses and the expansion of existing businesses. This could also have spurred greater demand for loans/borrowings, amid improved economic and credit fundamentals for the country recently and the corresponding need to service the financing requirements of the local economy, which was among the fastest growing in Asia.

The low interest rate environment was also supported by relatively narrow budget deficit, which stood at -PHP121 billion from January to December 2015, the narrowest in 8 years after a deficit of -PHP73.1 billion (or -0.6% of GDP) in 2014 due to faster growth in government revenues despite and slower growth in government spending.

National government debt as of end-2015 was up 3.8% to PHP5.954tn, reflecting the country's improved fiscal performance and credit ratings. The country's debt-to-GDP ratio eased to 44.8% as of end-2015, vs. 45.4% in end-2014. This supported by the sustained accelerated pace of economic growth in tandem with disciplined fiscal spending that moderated borrowing requirements for the year.

The peso exchange rate depreciated vs. the US dollar in 2015, by 2.34 pesos or 5.2% to close at 47.06 in end-2015, among the weakest in more than 6 years, compared to 44.72 in end-2014. This benefited exporters, OFWs and their dependents, and others that earn in foreign currencies, in terms of greater peso proceeds of their foreign currency earnings.

Gross international reserves (GIR) as of end-2015: +US\$1.126bn or +1.4% to US\$80.7 billion or equivalent to 10.2 months' worth of imports or more than two times the international standard of 4 months.

Overseas Filipino workers (OFW) remittances up by 4.6% to US\$25.77 billion from January to December 2015, slower than the 5.9% growth in 2014 at US\$24.348 billion (8.6% of GDP).

Revenues from the Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) industry were up by 17% to US\$22 billion (7.5% of GDP), vs. 22% growth in 2014 at US\$18.9 billion (6.6% of GDP).

Net foreign portfolio investments outflows in 2015: -US\$0.600 billion, wider vs. -US\$0.310 billion in 2014. Balance of payments (BOP) surplus was at US\$2.616 billion (0.9% of GDP), after a BOP deficit of US\$2.858 billion (1% of GDP) in 2014. OFW remittances, BPO revenues, foreign tourist revenues continued to support structural US dollar inflows into the country, as well as consumer spending, which accounted for about 69.3% of the local economy. Additional OFW, BPO, and tourism jobs and improved local employment conditions partly caused unemployment rate to improve to 6.3% in 2015, vs. 6.8% in 2014.

Total exports of the country for 2015 were down by -5.6% to US\$58.648 billion amid slower global economic growth. Total imports from January to December 2015 grew 2.0% to US\$66.67 billion, reflecting the requirements of a growing economy. Consequently, trade deficit from January to December 2015 widened to US\$8.037 billion, vs. the deficit of US\$3.296 billion in 2014 amid the decline in export and the growth in imports.

Net foreign direct investments from January to December 2015: -0.3% year-on-year to US\$5.72 billion, still near the record high of US\$5.740 billion in 2014 amid the improved economic and credit fundamentals of the Philippines, as attested by the further upgrade of the country's credit ratings by most of the biggest credit rating agencies, to a notch above the minimum investment grade, which increased international investor confidence on the country.

On the Philippine banking industry, the total loans of banks, as of end-2015 was up by 12% to PHP6.530 trillion, slower than the 19.1% growth as of end-2014, which was partly spurred by relatively low interest rates and sustained economic growth. Gross non-performing loan (NPL) ratio of all banks (including interbank loans) as of end-2015 improved to 2.10%, from 2.31% as of end-2014.

Domestic liquidity/M3 growth (as of end-2015): +8.3% to PHP8.340 trillion, slower vs. +11.2% as of end-2014, reflecting the slower growth in loans/credit.

The Philippine Stock Exchange Composite Index (PSEi): -3.9% in 2015, to close at 6,952.08, sharp decline from +22.8% in 2014. It reached a record high of 8,136.97 on Apr. 7, 2015 and a low of 6,603.19 on August 25, 2015.

Financial and Operating Highlights

RCBC's Total Assets increased by 12.70% or P58.16 billion to P516.06 billion while Total Capital Funds went up by 9.41% or P4.998 billion to P58.129 billion. Loans and Receivables, net expanded by 14.35% or P37.545 billion from P261.57 billion to P299.12 billion. Net Income reached P5.129 billion while Gross Operating Income reached P22.232 billion. Non-Interest Income showed a decline of 6.29% or P447 million from P7.102 billion to P6.655 billion mainly due to decline in trading gains.. Operating expenses were well-managed at P15.06 billion, 5.80% or P825 million slightly higher from P14.24 billion the previous year. Even with the intense pricing competition and low interest rate environment, Net Interest Income rose by 4.08% or P610 million to P15.577 billion resulting to a NIM of 4.15%, one of the highest in the sector.

BALANCE SHEET			
In Million Pesos	2015	2014	2013
Total Assets	516,061	457,905	421,869
Investment Securities	111,201	100,790	92,700
Loans and Receivables (Net)	299,119	261,574	237,960
Total Deposits	342,362	315,761	297,853
Capital Funds	58,129	53,131	44,808

Cash and other cash items increased by 7.53% or P985 million from P13.085 billion to P14.070 billion. Due from Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, representing 9.81% of total resources, increased by 9.80% or P4.518 billion from P46.099 billion to P50.617 billion. Due from other banks increased by 18.68% or P3.101 billion from P16.600 billion to P19.701 billion. With the Bank's adoption of PFRS 9 in 2014, investment securities are now classified into At Fair Value Through Profit or Loss, At Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income, and At Amortized Cost amounting to P5.112 billion, P4.208 billion, and P101.881 billion, respectively. Total investment securities reached P111.201 billion and represented 21.55% of total resources.

The Bank sold certain dollar-denominated bonds classified as investment securities at amortized cost with an aggregate carrying amount of Php 35.04 billion. The sale was made in order to fund capital expenditures related to the Bank's purchase of branch licenses this year and to immediately replenish regulatory capital as the purchase will result to a reduction in the Bank's capital position. The disposal resulted in a gain of Php1.48 billion, which is included under Trading and securities gains-net in the statement of profit or loss.

The Bank also sold certain dollar-denominated bonds classified as investment securities at amortized cost with an aggregate carrying amount of Php 1.28 billion due to credit deterioration. This disposal resulted in a loss of Php 234.22 million, which is included under Trading and securities gains-net in the statement of profit or loss.

In both instances, the Bank concluded that the sale is permitted by PFRS 9 and BSP Circular 708 and that there are no changes in its business models for managing financial assets to collect contractual cash flows.

Total net loans and other receivables went up by 14.35% or P37.545 billion from P261.574 billion to P299.119 billion accounting for 57.96% of total resources.

Investment properties (net) decreased by 37.07% or P1.985 billion from P5.355 billion to P3.370 billion mainly due to the reclassification of certain investment properties to assets held for sale classified under other resources. Other resources (net) increased by 42.10% or P2.968 billion from P7.050 billion to P10.018 billion due to reclassification from investment properties, acquisition of additional branch licenses and recognition of deferred tax assets.

Deposit liabilities expanded by 8.42% or P26.601 billion from P315.761 billion to P342.362 billion and accounted for 66.34% of total resources. Demand deposits rose by 37.62% or P12.114 billion from P32.197 billion to P44.311 billion while savings deposits reached P178.197 billion and accounted for 34.53% of total resources. CASA-to-Total deposits ratio stood at 64.99% as of end-2015.

Bills payable reached P49.404 billion and accounted for 9.57% of total resources. Bonds payable, on the other hand reached P39.364 billion and accounted for 7.63% of total resources.

On January 21, 2015, the Bank successfully raised \$200 million worth of 5-year senior unsecured fixed-rate notes off its \$1.0 billion EMTN Programme. The notes carried a coupon and yield of 4.25% and maturity of January 22, 2020. On February 10, 2015, the Bank issued another \$43 million with a coupon and yield of 4.25% under the same EMTN Programme. On September 21, 2015, Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation closed and signed a USD280 million three (3)-year syndicated term loan facility with a diverse group of international banks. On October 21, 2015, the Bank successfully raised \$320 million worth of senior unsecured Reg S bonds due 2021. The notes carried a coupon and yield at 3.45%.

Total liabilities amounted to P457.932 billion and accounted for 88.74% of total resources.

On July 24, 2015 the bank redeemed its USD 100 Million 9.875% Non-Cumulative Step-up Perpetual Securities ("the Hybrid Tier 1 Notes") as approved by the Board of Directors and by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas last March 30, 2015 and May 27, 2015, respectively. The Hybrid Tier 1 Notes were redeemed for a total price of USD 113.93 million.

Capital Paid in Excess of Par grew by 40.17% of ₱6.487 billion from ₱16.148 billion to ₱22.635 billion, which was mainly due to the issuance of capital to Cathay Life Insurance. Net Unrealized Gains/(Losses) on Financial Assets At Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income amounted to ₱689 million, down by 17.60% or ₱146 million from ₱835 million due to fair value losses on certain investments.

Retained earnings went up by 18.11% or ₱3.327 billion from ₱18.367 billion to ₱21.694 billion as a result of net income earned during the year which was partially offset by dividends declared and the redemption premium on hybrid perpetual securities charged directly to retained earnings. The Bank's capital, excluding non-controlling interest, reached ₱58.105 billion, 9.41% or ₱4.996 billion higher from ₱53.109 billion in 2014 and accounted for 11.26% of total resources.

Income Statement

INCOME STATEMENT			
In Million Pesos	2015	2014	2013
Interest Income	21,520	20,200	18,824
Interest Expense	5,943	5,233	5,513
Net Interest Income	15,577	14,967	13,311
Other Operating Income	6,655	7,102	9,810
Impairment Losses	2,350	2,509	2,054
Operating Expenses	15,061	14,236	14,474
Net Income attributable to Parent Company Shareholders	5,129	4,411	5,321

Total interest income reached ₱21.520 billion and accounted for 96.80% of total operating income. Interest income from loans and receivables went up by 9.40% or ₱1.501 billion from ₱15.961 billion to ₱17.462 billion and accounted for 78.54% of total operating income. Other interest income decreased by 16.43% or ₱35 million from ₱213 million to ₱178 million primarily due to lower interest income from SDA. Interest income from investment securities reached ₱3.880 billion and accounted for 17.45% of total operating income.

Total interest expense went up by 13.57% or ₱710 million from ₱5.233 billion to ₱5.943 billion and accounted for 26.73% of total operating income. Interest expense from deposit liabilities reached ₱2.992 billion while interest expense from bills payable and other borrowings reached ₱2.951 billion, representing 13.46% and 13.27% of total operating income, respectively. As a result, net interest income increased by 4.08% or ₱610 million from ₱14.967 billion to ₱15.577 billion and accounted for 70.07% of total operating income.

Impairment losses decreased by 6.34% or ₱159 million from ₱2.509 billion to ₱2.350 billion and represented 10.57% of total operating income.

Other operating income of ₱6.655 billion accounted for 29.93% of total operating income and is broken down as follows:

- Trading and securities gain-net reached ₱1.327 billion and accounted for 19.94% of total operating income
- Service fees and commissions reached ₱3.473 billion and accounted for 52.19% of total operating income
- Foreign exchange gains reached ₱260 million while Trust fees reached ₱286 million

- Miscellaneous income decreased by 24.16% or P0.417 million from P1.726 billion to P1.309 billion.

Operating expenses reached P15.061 billion and utilized 67.74% of total operating income.

- Manpower costs reached P4.731 billion and consumed 21.28% of total operating income
- Occupancy and equipment-related costs stood at P2.607 billion and consumed 11.73% of total operating income.
- Depreciation and amortization reached P1.611 billion.
- Taxes and licenses stood at P1.437 billion.
- Miscellaneous expenses settled at P4.675 billion from P4.604 billion and consumed 21.03% of total operating income.

Tax expense declined by 133.59% or P1.221 billion mainly due to the recognition of P1.138 billion Deferred Tax Income relating to Net Operating Loss Carry-over (NOLCO), allowance for impairment losses and other temporary differences.

Loss attributable to non-controlling interest remained unchanged at P1 million.

The Bank aims to continue growing its client base and achieve 12 million customers in 5 years through expansion in the Bank's distribution and electronic banking channels, brand-building, and introduction of innovative products and services. The Bank will continue to cater to the country's middle class and overseas Filipino workers in the remittance business and give special focus on the growing micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs), and consumer segment. The Bank will also leverage on the entry of Cathay Life Insurance as a strategic investor and tie-ups with various Japanese and other Asian banks to support the business expansion of their SME clients operating here in the country. It will continue to hire more young, dedicated, and competent people and train its existing personnel.

For 2016, there are no known trends, demands, commitments, events or uncertainties that would have a material impact on the Bank's liquidity. The Bank does not anticipate having any cash flow or liquidity problems within the next twelve (12) months. It is not in default or breach of any note, loan, lease or other indebtedness or financing arrangement. Further, there are no trade payables that have not been paid within the stated terms.

Performance Indicators

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES				
	Audited			
	Consolidated		Parent	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	1.09%	1.04%	1.30%	1.23%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	9.33%	9.23%	9.34%	9.26%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	15.72%	15.37%	15.63%	14.93%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	0.79%	0.90%	0.26%	0.24%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	1.45%	1.72%	0.37%	0.47%
Net Interest Margin (NIM)	4.15%	4.30%	3.62%	3.71%
Cost-to-Income Ratio	67.74%	64.51%	62.45%	60.08%
Loans-to-Deposit Ratio	86.74%	82.19%	87.12%	82.09%
Current Ratio	0.43	0.49	0.43	0.48
Liquid Assets-to-Total Assets Ratio	0.17	0.21	0.17	0.21
Debt-to-Equity Ratio	7.88	7.62	6.40	6.22
Asset-to- Equity Ratio	8.88	8.62	7.41	7.23
Asset -to- Liability Ratio	1.13	1.13	1.16	1.16
Interest Rate Coverage Ratio	1.81	2.02	2.06	2.14

Earnings per Share (EPS)				
Basic	Php 3.07	Php 3.11	Php 3.07	Php 3.11
Diluted	Php 3.07	Php 3.11	Php 3.07	Php 3.11

Wholly-Owned/Majority Owned Subsidiaries

RCBC SAVINGS BANK	Audited	
In Php 000s	2015	2014
Net Income	Php 1,250,962	Php 1,040,096
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	1.48%	1.42%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	14.10%	13.80%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	13.55%	14.73%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	1.94%	2.57%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	5.23%	6.35%
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 40.52	Php 33.69

RIZAL MICROBANK	Audited	
In Php 000s	2015	2014
Net Loss	Php (64,848)	Php (74,772)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	-7.47%	-9.12%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	-14.11%	-16.47%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	90.26%	56.99%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-0.75%	-0.61%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	0.89%	1.19%
Loss per Share (EPS)	Php (5.76)	Php (8.53)

RCBC CAPITAL CORPORATION and Subsidiaries	Audited	
In Php 000s	2015	2014
Net Income	Php 133,505	Php 464,604
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	3.02%	9.78%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	3.59%	11.79%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	26.27%	41.41%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	0.01%	0.05%
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 1.13	Php 3.93

RCBC FOREX BROKERS CORPORATION	Audited	
In Php 000s	2015	2014
Net Income	Php 70,914	Php 76,149
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	15.36%	16.15%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	32.73%	33.94%
Capital to Total Assets	63.92%	62.32%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 141.83	Php 152.30

RCBC INTERNATIONAL FINANCE, LTD. and Subsidiary	Unaudited	
In Php 000s	2015	2014
Net Income /(Loss)	Php 3,749	Php (4,367)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	2.92%	-3.25%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	3.02%	-3.35%
Capital to Total Assets	95.02%	97.24%

Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Loss per Share	Php 1.50	Php (1.75)

RCBC NORTH AMERICA, INC.	Unaudited	
In Php 000s	2015	2014
Net Loss	Php (3,825)	Php (13,697)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	-76.41%	-29.56%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	-178.16%	-133.52%
Capital to Total Assets	215.19%	-0.75%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Income/(Loss) per Share	Php (87.47)	Php (313.24)

RCBC TELEMONEY EUROPE S.P.A	Unaudited	
In Php 000s	2015	2014
Net Income	Php 5,276	Php 15,513
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	1.94%	4.84%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	45.69%	500.92%
Capital to Total Assets	-5.67%	-1.09%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 52.76	Php 155.13

RCBC-JPL HOLDING COMPANY, INC. (Formerly JP Laurel Bank, Inc.)	Audited	
In Php 000s	2015	2014
Net Income/ (Loss)	Php (5,745)	Php 1,332
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	-2.53%	0.54%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	5.03%	-1.19%
Capital to Total Assets	-50.14%	-45.73%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	42.56%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	58.02%
Income/ (Loss) per Share (EPS)	Php (0.03)	Php 0.01

NIYOG PROPERTY HOLDINGS, INC.	Audited	
In Php 000s	2015	2014
Net Income	Php 88,670	Php 27,309
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	10.68%	3.36%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	11.43%	3.45%
Capital to Total Assets	86.06%	94.63%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 63.75	Php 19.63

RCBC LEASING AND FINANCE CORP. and Subsidiary	Audited	
In Php 000s	2015	2014
Net Income	Php 33,983	Php 24,456
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	0.81%	0.63%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	5.86%	4.65%
Capital to Total Assets	20.54%	14.05%

Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	15.70%	19.70%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	13.94%	16.77%
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 0.07	Php 0.05

Notes to the Computations:

1. Consolidated and Parent Company ROA and ROE ratios were taken from the corresponding audited financial statements. ROA ratio of the subsidiaries was determined based on the average of the quarterly ending balances of total assets, audited and/or unaudited. ROE ratio of the subsidiaries was likewise computed based on the average of the quarterly ending balances of total equity, audited and/or unaudited.
2. CAR covers combined credit, market and operational risks. Where the BIS CAR was not computed, the simple Capital to Total Assets ratio formula was used.
3. NPL ratio is determined by using the following formula: (Total NPLs net of total specific provision for losses) / (Total gross loan portfolio)
4. NPA ratio is determined by using the following formula: (Net NPLs + Gross ROPA + Non performing SCR) / Gross Total Assets.
5. For some subsidiaries, the NPL/NPA ratios were not computed since these ratios were not applicable.

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Philippine GDP growth in 2016 was at 6.8%, faster vs. 5.9% in 2015, the fastest in 3 years (since 2013) and still among the fastest growing economies, not only in ASEAN, but in the whole of Asia, amid election-related spending with the May 2016 presidential elections, improved economic and credit fundamentals such as favorable demographics (i.e. demographic sweet spot or majority of the population reached working age since 2015), still relatively low interest rates compared to recent years that continued to spur more investments and overall economic growth, as fundamentally supported by benign inflation amid relatively lower prices of crude oil and other global commodities vs. in recent years. Continued growth in OFW remittances, BPO revenues, and foreign tourist revenues continued to support consumer spending, which accounted for about 69.4% of the Philippine economy in 2016. The ASEAN Economic Integration has already started in end-2015 and is expected to lead to greater economic growth, going forward.

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In terms of industrial origin, Services (57.5% of GDP) grew by 7.5%, faster than 6.8% in 2015, among the major contributors to economic growth. Industry (33.8% of GDP) grew by 8%, faster vs. 6% in 2015, despite slower growth in exports relative to imports due to the global economic slowdown. Agriculture (8.8% of GDP) contracted, by -1.3%, vs. 0.1% in 2015 after El Nino drought reduced agricultural production in the early part of 2016 and after the typhoons in the latter part of the year.

In terms of expenditure shares, the major contributors to the country's economic growth in 2016 were: Consumer Spending (69.4% of GDP) at 6.9%, faster vs. 6.3% in 2015, Investments (26.9% of GDP) at 20.8%, faster vs. 15.1% in 2015, and Government Spending (10.5% of GDP) at 8.3%, faster vs. 7.8% in 2015.

Philippine economic growth remained resilient by growing for 72nd straight quarter, despite the slower global economic growth brought about by the slowdown in China, risk of recession and deflation in Japan and in the Euro zone, and increased global market volatility. Softer global

economic growth also supported the still relatively lower world oil prices in 2016, compared to recent years, but already corrected higher from the lows after OPEC decided to cut oil production output. The Philippines, which imports almost all its oil, benefited from this in terms of lower inflation and reduced import bill.

The US economy, the world's biggest, continued to recover in 2016, fundamentally supporting the decision of the US Federal Reserve to increase key monetary interest rates by another 0.25 basis points on December 14, 2016 (after 0.25 Fed rate hike on Dec. 16, 2015). This resulted partly to some volatility in the global financial markets. Other sources of global market volatility in 2016 include Brexit (UK voted to exit from the European Union) in June 2016 and after the victory of Donald Trump in the US president elections in November 2016 (Trump signaled possible protectionist policies to save/create US jobs).

China, the world's second largest economy and among the biggest importers of commodities, again experienced slower economic growth (among the slowest in more than 25 years). This partly led to the continued devaluation of yuan since August 2015. The resulting relatively lower prices of crude oil and other global commodities (but already corrected higher from lows in 2016) may have benefited the Philippines, which imports almost all of its oil, but partly led to increased global market volatility.

The local economy was partly supported by the continued growth in OFW remittances, sustained strong growth in the BPO industry, still relatively low interest rates compared to recent years that spurred greater economic activity, pick up in manufacturing, continued growth in tourism, and rollout of more infrastructure/PPP projects.

Inflation averaged 1.8% in 2016, higher compared to 1.4% in 2015, again below the 2%-4% target range of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), largely due to the continued relatively lower global crude oil/commodity prices compared to recent years.

The 91-day Treasury bill yield ended 2016 at 1.555%, lower vs. 1.836% in end-2015, though significantly up from a record low of 0.001% in end-2013, but still considered relatively low compared to recent years.

Key Philippine interest rates in the secondary market, as measured by the PDST yields, were mostly higher in 2016, especially long-term tenors. However, the 3-month PDST-R2 yield was at 2.07% as of end-2016, lower by 0.59 percentage points for the year.

The BSP already implemented the interest rate corridor (IRC) system in June 2016, effectively lowered its overnight policy rate by 1 percentage point to 3%. The 7-day and 28-day Term Deposit Facility (TDF) rates went up to 3% levels (up from a low of 2.50%).

Interest rates are still considered relatively low compared to recent years, despite the uptick in 2016 for most long-term tenors, and still translated to relatively lower borrowing costs that encouraged greater economic activities in terms of creating new businesses and the expansion of existing businesses. This could also have spurred greater demand for loans/borrowings, amid improved economic and credit fundamentals for the country recently and the corresponding need to service the financing requirements of the local economy, which was among the fastest growing in Asia.

The upward correction in most long-term interest rates was partly due to wider budget deficit, which already widened to –PHP235.2 billion, more than five times wider vs. –PHP46.5 billion same period last year amid the faster growth in government spending compared to government revenues, but still consistently below the government's target ceiling of 2% of GDP since 2013 (but the target was raised to 3% of GDP starting 2017 in able to further increase the government's infrastructure spending).

National government debt as of end-2016 was up 2.3% to PHP6.090 trillion, reflecting the country's improved fiscal performance and credit ratings. The country's debt-to-GDP ratio eased to 44.2% as of end-3Q 2016, vs. 44.7% in end-2015. This supported by the sustained accelerated pace of economic growth in tandem with disciplined fiscal spending that moderated borrowing requirements for the year.

The peso exchange rate depreciated vs. the US dollar in 2016, by 2.66 pesos or 5.7% to close at 49.72 in end-2016, among the weakest in about a decade, compared to 47.06 in end-2015. This benefited exporters, OFWs and their dependents, and others that earn in foreign currencies, in terms of greater peso proceeds of their foreign currency earnings.

Gross international reserves (GIR) as of end-2016: Slightly higher, by +US\$24mn or +0.03% to US\$80.691 billion or equivalent to 9.2 months' worth of imports and more than two times the international standard of 4 months.

Overseas Filipino workers (OFW) remittances was up, by 5.0% year-on-year to US\$26.9 billion from January to December 2016, faster vs. 4.0% growth a year ago. Revenues from the Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) industry were up by 14% to US\$25 billion (8.2% of GDP), vs. 16% growth in 2015 at US\$22 billion (7.5% of GDP).

Net foreign portfolio investments inflows in 2016: +US\$0.353 billion, vs. -US\$0.599 billion in 2015. Balance of payments (BOP) deficit was at -US\$0.420 billion (-0.1% of GDP), after a BOP surplus of +US\$2.616 billion (+0.9% of GDP) in 2015. OFW remittances, BPO revenues, foreign tourist revenues continued to support structural US dollar inflows into the country, as well as consumer spending, which accounted for about 69.4% of the local economy. Additional OFW, BPO, and tourism jobs and improved local employment conditions partly caused unemployment rate to improve to 5.5% in 2016, vs. 6.3% in 2015.

Total exports of the country for 2016 were down by -4.4% to US\$56.232 billion amid slower global economic growth. Total imports for 2016 grew by 14.2% to US\$81.159 billion, reflecting the requirements of a growing economy. Consequently, trade deficit or net imports for 2016 widened to -US\$24.927 billion, more than twice vs. the -US\$12.240 billion in 2015 amid the decline in exports and the faster growth in imports.

Net foreign direct investments from January to December 2016: Grew by 145.7% year-on-year to US\$6.973 billion, already at a new record high for 2016 amid the improved economic and credit fundamentals of the Philippines, as attested by the further upgrade of the country's credit ratings by most of the biggest credit rating agencies, to a notch above the minimum investment grade (which was reached for the first time since 2013), which increased international investor confidence on the country.

On the Philippine banking industry, the total loans of banks, as of end-2016 was up by 16.6% to PHP7.612 trillion, faster than the 11.9% growth as of end-2015, which was partly spurred by still relatively low interest rates and sustained economic growth. Gross non-performing loan (NPL) ratio of all banks (including interbank loans) as of end-2016 improved to 1.90%, from 2.10% as of end-2015.

Domestic liquidity/M3 growth (as of end-2016): +12.4% to PHP9.473 trillion, faster vs. +9.4% as of end-2015, reflecting the faster growth in loans/credit.

The Philippine Stock Exchange Composite Index (PSEi): -1.6% in 2016, to close at 6,840.64, after -3.9% in 2015. It reached a record high of 8,136.97 on Apr. 7, 2015 and a low of 6,084.28 on January 21, 2016.

Financial and Operating Highlights

Balance Sheet

RCBC's Total Assets stood at P521.2 billion.

BALANCE SHEET			
In Million Pesos	2016	2015	2014
Total Assets	521,193	516,061	457,905
Investment Securities	75,622	111,201	100,790
Loans and Receivables (Net)	306,167	299,119	261,574
Total Deposits	353,077	342,362	315,761
Capital Funds	62,133	58,129	53,131

Cash and other cash items increased by 7.86% or Php1.106 billion from Php14.070 billion to Php15.176 billion. Due from Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, representing 12.76% of total resources, increased by 31.42% or Php15.903 billion from Php50.617 billion to Php66.520 billion. Due from other banks increased by 28.38% or Php5.592 billion from Php19.701 billion to Php25.293 billion. Total trading investment securities decreased by 32.00% or Php35.579 billion from Php111.201 billion to Php75.622 billion and represented 14.51% of total resources.

As permitted by PFRS 9 and BSP Circular 708, the Group sold certain loans and receivables, peso and dollar-denominated bonds classified as investment securities at amortized cost with an aggregate carrying amount of Php73.464 billion. The disposals resulted in a gain of Php1.352 billion, which is included under Trading and securities gains-net in the statement of profit or loss. In addition, the Group concluded that the sales did not result to changes in its business models for managing financial assets to collect contractual cash flows.

Loans and Receivables-net reached Php306.167 billion and represented 58.74% of total resources.

Bank Premises, furniture, Fixtures and Equipment, net grew by 16.76% or Php1.274 billion from Php7.602 billion to Php8.876 billion mainly due opening of additional 25 branches and acquisition of equipment for lease during the year by a wholly owned subsidiary. Other Resources, net increased by 12.11% or Php1.065 billion from Php8.796 billion to Php9.861 billion.

Deferred Tax Assets increased by Php 955 million or 78.15% from Php 1.222 billion in 2015 to Php 2.177 billion in 2016 as a result of recognition of tax effects of additional temporary differences arising mainly from allowance for impairment, MCIT and provision for credit card reward payments. This is partially offset by the reversal of deferred tax assets arising from NOLCO.

Deposit liabilities settled at Php353.077 billion and accounted for 67.74% of total resources. Demand deposits were recorded at Php42.053 billion. Savings deposits reached Php162.926 billion and accounted 31.24% of total resources. Time deposits grew by 23.56% or Php28.243 billion from Php119.854 billion to Php148.097 billion and accounted for 28.42% of total resources.

Bills payable decreased by 23.81% or down by Php11.761 billion from Php49.404 billion to Php37.643 billion mainly attributable to the net payment on foreign borrowings, it represented 7.22% of total resources. Bonds payable, was recorded at Php41.595 billion and accounted for 7.98% of total resources.

Total liabilities stood at Php459.060 billion and represented 88.08% of Total Resources.

Total Equity went up by 6.89% or Php4.004 billion from Php58.129 billion to Php62.133 billion mainly due to Net Income for the period, net of cash dividends declared and paid.

Income Statement

INCOME STATEMENT			
In Million Pesos	2016	2015	2014
Interest Income	23,137	21,520	20,200
Interest Expense	7,430	5,943	5,233
Net Interest Income	15,707	15,577	14,967
Other Operating Income	7,114	6,655	7,102
Impairment Losses	1,770	2,350	2,509
Operating Expenses	17,355	15,061	14,236
Tax Expense (Income)	(174)	(307)	914
Net Income attributable to Parent Company Shareholders	3,868	5,129	4,411

Total interest income reached Php23.137 billion and accounted for 101.38% of total operating income. Interest income from loans and receivables went up by 11.34% or Php1.980 billion from Php17.462 billion to Php19.442 billion and accounted for 85.19% of total operating income. The increase is mainly due to increase in average volume of Loans and Receivables and higher average yield. Other interest income stood at Php426 million and interest income from investment securities reached Php3.269 billion and accounted for 14.32% of total operating income.

Total interest expense went up by 25.02% or Php1.487 billion from Php5.943 billion to Php7.430 billion and accounted for 32.56% of total operating income. Interest expense from deposit liabilities, which grew by 9.26% from Php2.992 billion, reached Php3.269 billion, representing 14.32% of total operating income. Interest expense from bills payable and other borrowings reached Php4.161 billion, 41% up or Php1.210 billion higher from last year's Php2.951 billion, it represented 18.23% of total operating income. As a result, net interest income reached Php15.707 and accounted for 68.83% of total operating income.

The Group booked lower impairment losses at Php1.77 billion, down by 24.68% or Php580 million from Php2.350 billion and represented 7.76% of total operating income.

Other operating income of Php7.114 billion accounted for 31.17% of total operating income and is broken down as follows:

- Service fees and commissions stood at Php3.164 billion and accounted for 13.86% of total operating income
- Trading and securities gain-net settled at Php1.619 billion and accounted for 7.09% of total operating income
- Foreign exchange gains increased by 6.15% or Php16 million from Php260 million to Php276 million attributable to higher commission from commercial transactions
- Trust fees settled at P294 million
- Share in net earnings of subsidiaries and associates settled at Php131 million.
- Miscellaneous income went up by 34.05% or Php414 million from Php1.216 billion to P1.630 billion brought about by higher dividend and rental income.

Operating expenses grew by 15.23% or Php2.294 billion from Php15.061 billion to Php17.355 billion and consumed 76.05% of total operating income.

- Manpower costs reached Php5.408 billion and consumed 23.70% of total operating income due to additional headcount for the 25 newly opened business centers.
- Occupancy and equipment-related stood at Php2.871 billion and consumed 12.58% of total operating income
- Taxes and licenses stood at Php1.766 billion
- Depreciation and amortization reached Php1.840 billion

- Miscellaneous expenses went up by 17.01% or Php795 million to settle at Php5.470 billion from Php4.675 billion, increase was mainly due to the Php1 billion BSP fine, and it consumed 23.97% of total operating income

Excluding the Php1 billion BSP fine, OPEX grew by Php8.59% or Php1.294 billion.

Negative Tax expense was at P 174 million in 2016 from P307 million in 2015 due to lower amount of Deferred Tax Income relating to MCIT, allowance for impairment losses and other temporary differences and reversal of DTA or utilized and expired NOLCO.

Income from non-controlling interest went up to settle at Php2 million.

Overall, net income was down by 24.53% or Php1.258 billion from Php5.128 billion in 2015 to Php3.870 billion in 2016.

Performance Indicators

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES				
	Audited			
	Consolidated		Parent	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	0.77%	1.09%	0.93%	1.30%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	6.42%	9.33%	6.43%	9.34%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	16.16%	15.72%	16.23%	15.63%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	0.98%	0.79%	0.17%	0.26%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	1.52%	1.45%	0.33%	0.37%
Net Interest Margin (NIM)	4.06%	4.15%	3.47%	3.62%
Cost-to-Income Ratio	76.05%	67.74%	74.30%	62.45%
Loans-to-Deposit Ratio	89.07%	86.74%	89.71%	87.12%
Current Ratio	0.56	0.43	0.52	0.43
Liquid Assets-to-Total Assets Ratio	0.26	0.17	0.26	0.17
Debt-to-Equity Ratio	7.39	7.88	5.73	6.40
Asset-to- Equity Ratio	8.39	8.88	6.73	7.40
Asset -to- Liability Ratio	1.14	1.13	1.17	1.16
Interest Rate Coverage Ratio	1.50	1.81	1.60	2.06
Earnings per Share (EPS)				
Basic	Php 2.76	Php 3.07	Php 2.76	Php 3.07
Diluted	Php 2.76	Php 3.07	Php 2.76	Php 3.07

Wholly-Owned/Virtually Owned Subsidiaries

RCBC SAVINGS BANK	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2016	2015
Net Income	Php 1,005,140	Php 1,250,962
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	1.05%	1.48%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	9.89%	14.10%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	13.44%	13.99%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	2.88%	1.94%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	5.95%	5.23%
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 32.56	Php 40.52

RIZAL MICROBANK	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2016	2015
Net Loss	Php (3,384)	Php (64,848)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	-0.33%	-7.47%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	-0.55%	-14.11%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	65.28%	90.26%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	0.09%	0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	1.24%	0.89%
Loss per Share (EPS)	Php (0.30)	Php (5.76)

RCBC CAPITAL CORPORATION and Subsidiaries	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2016	2015
Net Income	Php 294,079	Php 133,505
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	7.13%	3.02%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	8.14%	3.59%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	27.99%	26.27%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	0.05%	0.01%
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 2.49	Php 1.13

RCBC FOREX BROKERS CORPORATION	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2016	2015
Net Income	Php 39,917	Php 70,914
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	16.60%	15.36%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	20.14%	32.73%
Capital to Total Assets	77.08%	63.92%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 79.83	Php 141.83

RCBC INTERNATIONAL FINANCE, LTD. and Subsidiary	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2016	2015
Net Income /(Loss)	Php (1,931)	Php 3,749
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	-1.38%	2.92%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	-1.40%	3.02%
Capital to Total Assets	100.05%	95.02%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-0.54%	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Earnings (Loss) per Share	Php (0.77)	Php 1.50

RCBC NORTH AMERICA, INC.	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2016	2015
Net Loss	Php (1,555)	Php (3,825)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	-91.01%	-76.41%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	-90.98%	-178.16%
Capital to Total Assets	217.45%	215.19%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Income/Loss per Share	Php (35.56)	Php (87.47)

RCBC TELEMONEY EUROPE S.P.A	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2016	2015
Net Income (Loss)	Php (45,056)	Php 5,276
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	-52.36%	1.94%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	-110.16%	45.69%
Capital to Total Assets	-47.43%	-5.67%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Earnings (Loss) per Share (EPS)	Php (450.56)	Php 52.76

RCBC-JPL HOLDING COMPANY, INC. (Formerly JP Laurel Bank, Inc.)	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2016	2015
Net Income/ (Loss)	Php 2,259	Php (5,745)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	1.05%	-2.53%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	-1.88%	5.03%
Capital to Total Assets	-62.35%	-50.14%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Income/ (Loss) per Share (EPS)	Php 0.01	Php (0.03)

NIYOG PROPERTY HOLDINGS, INC.	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2016	2015
Net Income	Php 10,414	Php 88,670
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	1.40%	10.68%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	1.46%	11.43%
Capital to Total Assets	94.43%	86.06%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 7.49	Php 63.75

RCBC LEASING AND FINANCE CORP. and Subsidiary	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2016	2015
Net Income	Php 70,218	Php 33,983
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	1.04%	0.81%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	11.23%	5.86%
Capital to Total Assets	13.95%	20.54%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	12.51%	15.70%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	8.41%	13.94%
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 0.15	Php 0.07

2017

Philippine GDP growth in 2017 was at 6.7%, slower vs. 6.9% in 2016, still among the fastest growing economies, not only in ASEAN, but in the whole of Asia, as the faster GDP growth in 2016 may be attributed to election-related spending during the May 2016 presidential elections (i.e. higher base/denominator effects a year ago). Philippine GDP growth remained relatively high compared to recent years due to improved economic and credit fundamentals such as favorable demographics (i.e. demographic sweet spot or majority of the population reached working age since 2015), still relatively low interest rates compared to recent years/decades that continued to spur more investments and overall economic growth, as fundamentally supported by benign inflation amid relatively lower prices of crude oil and other global commodities vs. in recent years.

Continued growth in OFW remittances, BPO revenues, and foreign tourist revenues continued to support consumer spending, which accounted for about 68.7% of the Philippine economy in 2017. The ASEAN Economic Integration has already started in end-2015 and is expected to lead to greater economic growth, going forward.

Fitch Ratings upgraded Philippine credit rating on December 11, 2017, by 1 notch to BBB (1 notch above the minimum investment grade; already the same as the credit ratings by S&P and Moody's), from BBB-; with stable outlook. Investor sentiment on the Philippines improved further after the passage of the first package of the tax reform measures (TRAIN) in December 2017.

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Philippine economic growth remained resilient by growing for 76th straight quarter, despite the relatively slower global economic growth brought about by the slowdown in China, risk of recession and deflation in Japan and in the Euro zone, and increased global market volatility. Softer global economic growth also supported the still relatively lower world oil prices in 2017, compared to recent years, but already corrected higher from the lows after OPEC and other major oil-producing countries cut oil production output in an effort reduce the glut/oversupply in global oil supplies.

The US economy, the world's biggest, continued to recover in 2017, fundamentally supporting the decision of the US Federal Reserve to further increase key monetary interest rates by a total of +0.75 basis points in 2017 (+0.25 each on March 15, 2017; June 14, 2017; and December 17, 2017), after +0.25 each on December 14, 2016 and on Dec. 16, 2015. These Fed rate hikes in 2017 resulted partly to some volatility in the global financial markets. Other sources of global market volatility in 2017 include the tapering of Fed's balance sheet in 4Q 2017 (US\$10 billion) and increased tensions on North Korea amid ICBM/missile tests. Positive external developments in 2017 highlighted by US President Trump's signing of Republican-backed US\$1.5 trillion tax cut/overhaul of US tax code on December 22, 2017, in first major legislative win, delivering a major tax cut to US corporations along with a package of temporary tax cuts for other businesses and most individuals.

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Inflation averaged 3.2% in 2017, higher compared to 1.8% in 2016, but still below the 2%-4% target range of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), largely due to the continued relatively lower global crude oil/commodity prices compared to recent years.

The 91-day Treasury bill yield ended 2017 at 2.15%, higher vs. 1.55% in end-2016, also significantly up from a record low of 0.001% in end-2013, but still considered relatively lower compared to recent years/decades.

Key Philippine interest rates in the secondary market, as measured by the PDST yields, were mostly higher in 2017, especially long-term tenors. The benchmark 3-month PDST-R2 yield was at 2.43% as of end-2017, higher by 0.35 percentage points for the year.

Interest rates are still considered relatively lower compared to recent years/decades, despite the uptick in 2017, and still translated to relatively lower borrowing costs that encouraged greater economic activities in terms of creating new businesses and the expansion of existing businesses. This could also have spurred greater demand for loans/borrowings, amid improved economic and credit fundamentals for the country recently and the corresponding need to service the financing requirements of the local economy, which was among the fastest growing in Asia.

The upward correction in most long-term interest rates was partly due higher inflation, rising trend in US/global interest rates amid normalization of monetary policy in the US and in some developed countries, as well as wider budget deficits in 2016 and 2017, at -PHP350.6 billion in 2017 (or -2.2% of GDP), slightly narrower vs. -PHP353.4 billion (or -2.4% of GDP) in 2016 as government spending increased especially on infrastructure, but still consistently below the government's upwardly revised target ceiling of 3% of GDP for 2017 (from 2%).

National government debt as of end-2017 was up by 9.2% to PHP6.652 trillion. However, the country's debt-to-GDP ratio remained relatively low at 42.1% as of end-2017, same as in end-2016. This is supported by the sustained accelerated pace of economic growth in tandem with disciplined fiscal spending that moderated borrowing requirements in recent years.

The peso exchange rate depreciated vs. the US dollar in 2017, by 0.21 pesos or 0.4% to close at 49.93 in end-2017, among the weakest in about a decade, compared to 49.72 in end-2016. This benefited exporters, OFWs and their dependents, and others that earn in foreign currencies, in terms of greater peso proceeds of their foreign currency earnings.

Gross international reserves (GIR) as of end-2017 increased by US\$878 million or 1.1% to US\$80.691 billion or equivalent to 8.3 months' worth of imports and more than two times the international standard of 4 months.

OFW remittances were up, by 4.3% year-on-year to US\$28.1 billion (9% of GDP) in 2017, slower vs. 5.0% growth in 2016. Revenues from the Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) industry were up by 16% to US\$28.9 billion (9.2% of GDP), slower vs. 18% growth in 2016 at US\$25 billion (8.2% of GDP).

Net foreign portfolio investments outflows in 2017: -US\$0.205 billion, vs. +US\$0.404 billion in 2016. Balance of payments (BOP) deficit was at -US\$0.863 billion (-0.3% of GDP), after -US\$0.420 billion (-0.1% of GDP) in 2016. OFW remittances, BPO revenues, foreign tourist revenues continued to support structural US dollar inflows into the country, as well as consumer spending, which accounted for about 68.7% of the local economy. Additional OFW, BPO, and tourism jobs and improved local employment conditions partly caused unemployment rate to remain relatively low at 5.7% in 2017, vs. 5.4% in 2016.

Total exports of the country for 2017 grew by 10.2% to US\$63.2 billion amid the pickup in global economic growth. Total imports for 2017 went by, 10.4% to US\$92.8 billion, reflecting the increased requirements of a fast-growing economy. Consequently, trade deficit or net imports for 2017 widened to a record of -US\$29.6 billion, wider vs. the -US\$26.7 billion in 2016.

Net foreign direct investments in 2017: Grew by +21.4% year-on-year to US\$10 billion, a new record high vs. previous record high of US\$8.2 billion in 2016 amid the improved economic and

credit fundamentals of the Philippines, as attested by the further upgrade of the country's credit ratings by most of the biggest credit rating agencies, to a notch above the minimum investment grade (which was reached for the first time since 2013), which boosted international investor confidence on the country.

On the Philippine banking industry, the total loans of banks, as of end-2017 was up by 16.4% year-on-year to PHP8.862 trillion, slower vs. 16.6% growth as of end-2016, which was partly spurred by still relatively lower interest rates compared to recent years/decades and sustained economic growth. Gross non-performing loan (NPL) ratio of all banks (including interbank loans) as of end-2017 improved to 1.72%, from 1.89% as of end-2016.

Domestic liquidity/M3 growth (as of end-2017): 11.9% year-on-year to PHP10.637 trillion, slower vs. 12.8% as of end-2016, partly reflecting the slower growth in loans/credit.

The Philippine Stock Exchange Composite Index (PSEi) gained by 25.1% in 2017, to close at 8,558.42, after -1.6% in 2016. It reached a record high of 8,640.04 on December 29, 2017 and a low of 6,746.80 on January 3, 2017.

Financial and Operating Highlights

Balance Sheet

RCBC's Total Assets stood at P554.0 billion.

BALANCE SHEET			
In Million Pesos	2017	2016	2015
Total Assets	553,988	521,193	516,061
Investment Securities	72,932	75,622	111,201
Loans and Receivables (Net)	354,243	306,167	299,119
Total Deposits	388,412	353,077	342,362
Capital Funds	67,027	62,133	58,129

RCBC's Total Assets grew by 6.29% or P32.795 billion from P521.193 bio to P553.988 billion mainly due to the increase in Loans and Receivables, Net.

Due from Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, representing 10.61% of total resources, decreased by 11.60% or P7.719 billion from P66.520 billion to P58.801 billion as a result of a decrease in overnight deposit and term deposit placements. Due from other banks decreased by 21.65% or P5.475 billion from P25.293 billion to P19.818 billion, mainly due to decrease in foreign bank placements. Total trading investment securities, representing 13.16% of Total Resources stood at P72.932 billion.

As permitted by PFRS 9 and BSP Circular 708, the Group sold in 2017 certain peso and dollar-denominated bonds classified as investment securities at amortized cost with an aggregate carrying amount of P22.729 billion. The disposals resulted in a gain of P683 mio, which is included under Trading and securities gains-net in the statement of profit or loss. In addition, the Group concluded that the sales did not result in changes in its business models for managing financial assets to collect contractual cash flows.

Loans under reverse repurchase agreement grew by 24.62% or P1.942 billion from P7.889 billion to P9.831 billion mainly due to higher placements with the BSP.

Loans and Receivables-net increased by 15.70% or P48.076 billion from P306.167 billion to P354.243 billion and represented 63.94% of total resources. This was primarily as a result of increase in the volume of loan releases across all product types. In terms of ADB, SME Loans grew by 18%

or P6.0 billion, Consumer Loans by 15% or P10.7 billion, and Corporate Loans by 12% or P20.5 billion. Growth in consumer loans was led by the Credit Card Portfolio, which grew by 28% or P2.9 billion, Auto Loans by 21% or P5.5 billion, and Mortgage Loans by 9% or P3.2 billion. For the Loan Mix, Corporate Loans was 55%, SME was 16% and Consumer Loans was 29% of the Total Loans.

Investments in Associates, net grew by 8.88% or P34 million from P383 million to P417 million as a result of additional equity income from associates.

Investment Properties, net increased by 5.26% or P170 million from P3.229 billion to P3.399 billion attributable to additional foreclosed properties made by subsidiaries. Deferred Tax Assets declined by 12.91% or P291 million due to higher taxable income during the year resulting to utilization of tax benefits of minimum corporate income tax incurred in prior years. Other Resources, net decreased by 8.61% or P849 million from P9.861 billion to P9.012 billion mainly due to disposal of assets held for sale by a subsidiary.

Deposit liabilities grew by 10.01% or P35.335 billion from P353.077 billion to P388.412 billion and represented 70.11% of Total Resources. Demand deposits increased by 23.64% or P9.943 billion from P42.053 to P51.996 billion, Savings Deposits were recorded at P165.187 billion and accounted for 29.82% of Total Resources. Time deposits grew by 15.62% or P23.131 billion from P148.098 bio to P171.229 billion and accounted for 30.91% of total resources. Increase in deposit liabilities was as a result of newly opened business centers.

Bills payable increased by 16.80% or P6.324 billion from P37.643 billion to P43.967 billion mainly attributable to higher foreign borrowings; it represented 7.94% of total resources. Bonds payable decreased by 32.54% or P13.535 billion from P41.595 billion to P28.060 billion primarily as a result of the maturity of the U.S.\$275 million senior notes in January 2017. Accrued taxes, interest and other expenses payable decreased by 13.23% or P638 million from P4.823 bio to P4.185 mainly due to decrease in accruals for other expenses as a result of the settlement of prior year's accrual of the BSP's regulatory action relating to the alleged heist involving the Bank of Bangladesh.

Total liabilities stood at P486.961 billion and represented 87.90% of Total Resources.

Net Unrealized Gains/(Losses) on Financial Assets At Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income decreased by 7.51% or P160 million due to revaluation of investment securities. Actuarial losses on Defined Benefit Plan decreased by P1.514 billion from P1.593 billion to P79 million as a result of the revaluation of plan assets held by the retirement fund. Retained Earnings grew by 14.34% or P3.518 billion from P24.531 billion to P28.049 billion due to higher income for the period and accounted 41.85% of Total Capital Funds.

Total Capital Funds grew by 7.88% or P4.894 bio from P62.133 bio to P67.027 bio.

Income Statement

INCOME STATEMENT			
In Million Pesos	2017	2016	2015
Interest Income	25,118	23,137	21,520
Interest Expense	7,097	7,430	5,943
Net Interest Income	18,021	15,707	15,577
Other Operating Income	7,100	7,114	6,655
Impairment Losses	2,155	1,770	2,350
Operating Expenses	17,815	17,355	15,061
Tax Expense (Income)	841	(174)	(307)
Net Income attributable to non-controlling interest	2	2	(1)
Net income	4,308	3,868	5,129

Total interest income increased by 8.56% or P1.981 billion from P23.137 billion to P25.118 billion and accounted for 99.99% of total operating income. Interest income from loans and receivables went up by 12.93% or P2.514 billion from P19.442 billion to P21.956 billion and accounted for 87.40% of total operating income. The increase is mainly due to increase in average volume of Loans and Receivables. Interest income from investment securities went down by 14.84% or P485 million mainly due to decrease in volume of total investment securities. It accounted for 11.08% of total operating income. Other interest income decreased by 11.27% or P48 million from P426 million to P378 million primarily as a result of decrease in BSP term deposit placements.

Total interest expense stood at P7.097 billion and accounted 28.25% of total operating income. Interest expense from deposit liabilities grew by 21.11% from P3.269 billion to P3.959 billion, representing 15.76% of total operating income. The increase was a result of higher volume and cost of time deposits. Interest expense from bills payable and other borrowings declined by 24.59% or P1.023 billion mainly due to the maturity of the US\$275 million senior notes in January 2017. As a result, net interest income increased by 14.73% or P2.314 billion from P15.707 billion to P18.021 billion.

The Group booked higher impairment losses at P2.155 billion, up by 21.75% or P385 million from P1.77 billion and represented 8.58% of total operating income. Increase in impairments losses net was mainly due to higher general loan loss provisions relative to increase in loan volume as previously discussed.

Other operating income of P7.100 billion accounted for 28.26% of total operating income and is broken down as follows:

- Service fees and commissions stood at P3.138 billion and accounted for 12.49% of total operating income.
- Trading and securities gain-net declined by 44.41% or P719 million from P1.619 billion to P900 million attributable to decrease in realized trading gains from securities sold.
- Foreign exchange gains increased by 189.13% or Php522 million from P276 million to P798 million attributable to higher volatility in the market resulting to increase in volume of transactions.
- Trust fees settled at P279 million.
- Share in net earnings of subsidiaries and associates settled at Php92 million.
- Miscellaneous income went up by 18.46% or Php295 million from Php1.598 billion to P1.893 billion brought about by higher dividend and gains on assets sold.

Operating expenses stood at P17.815 billion and accounted 70.92% of Total Operating Income.

- Manpower costs increased by 11.63% or P629 million from P5.408 billion to P6.037 billion, as a result of hiring for the newly opened branches. It consumed 24.03% of the total operating income.
- Occupancy and equipment-related grew by 10.24% or P294 million from P2.871 billion to P3.165 billion mainly due to the 27 branches opened in 2017. It accounted 12.60% of the total operating income.
- Taxes and licenses stood at P1.821 billion.
- Depreciation and amortization increased by 8.38% or P148 million from P1.766 billion to P1.914 billion.
- Miscellaneous expenses declined by 10.82% or P592 million to settle at P4.878 billion from P5.470 billion, primarily as a result of the P1.0 billion fine imposed by the BSP in 2016, and it consumed 19.42% of total operating income

Tax expense increased by P1.015 billion from a tax income of P174 million to a tax expense of P841 million, primarily as a result of higher taxable income as well as the origination and reversal of temporary differences relating to MCIT.

Net profit attributable to non-controlling interest settled at P2 million.

Overall, net income increased by 11.37% or P440 million from P3.870 billion in 2016 to P4.310 billion in 2017.

Performance Indicators

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES				
	Audited			
	Consolidated		Parent	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	0.82%	0.77%	1.02%	0.93%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	6.72%	6.42%	6.74%	6.43%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	15.46%	16.16%	15.33%	16.23%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	1.25%	0.98%	0.54%	0.17%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	1.37%	1.52%	0.48%	0.34%
Net Interest Margin (NIM)	4.25%	4.06%	3.85%	3.47%
Cost-to-Income Ratio	70.92%	76.05%	68.01%	74.30%
Loans-to-Deposit Ratio*	90.84%	86.60%	91.67%	87.62%
Current Ratio	0.47	0.56	0.52	0.52
Liquid Assets-to-Total Assets Ratio	0.20	0.26	0.20	0.26
Debt-to-Equity Ratio	7.27	7.39	5.60	5.73
Asset-to- Equity Ratio	8.27	8.39	6.60	6.73
Asset -to- Liability Ratio	1.14	1.14	1.18	1.17
Interest Rate Coverage Ratio	1.73	1.50	1.95	1.60
Earnings per Share (EPS)				
Basic	Php 3.08	Php 2.76	Php 3.08	Php 2.76
Diluted	Php 3.08	Php 2.76	Php 3.08	Php 2.76

*Excluding Interbank loans and Loans under Reverse Repurchase Agreement

Wholly-Owned/Virtually Wholly Owned Subsidiaries

RCBC SAVINGS BANK	Audited	
In Php 000s	2017	2016
Net Income	Php 1,350,231	Php 1,005,140
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	1.22%	1.05%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	11.80%	9.89%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	14.03%	12.44%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	3.13%	2.88%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	4.09%	5.95%
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 43.74	Php 32.56

RIZAL MICROBANK	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2017	2016
Net Loss	Php (9,537)	Php (3,384)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	-0.69%	-0.33%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	-1.54%	-0.55%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	43.24%	65.28%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	0.02%	0.09%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	0.01%	1.24%
Loss per Share (EPS)	Php (1.09)	Php (0.30)

RCBC CAPITAL CORPORATION and Subsidiaries	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2017	2016
Net Income	Php 550,269	Php 294,079
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	12.40%	7.13%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	14.46%	8.14%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)	39.36%	27.99%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	0.03%	0.05%
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 4.66	Php 2.49

RCBC FOREX BROKERS CORPORATION	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2017	2016
Net Income	Php 4,502	Php 39,917
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	2.48%	16.60%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	2.60%	20.14%
Capital to Total Assets	95.31%	77.08%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 9.00	Php 79.83

RCBC INTERNATIONAL FINANCE, LTD. and Subsidiary	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2017	2016
Net Loss	Php (8,940)	Php (1,931)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	-6.34%	-1.38%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	-6.49%	-1.40%
Capital to Total Assets	97.83%	100.05%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	0.00%	-0.54%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	0.00%	-
Loss per Share	Php (3.58)	Php (0.77)

RCBC NORTH AMERICA, INC.	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2017	2016
Net Loss	Php 0	Php (1,555)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	0.00%	-91.01%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	0.00%	-90.98%
Capital to Total Assets	58.70%	217.45%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Loss per Share	Php 0	Php (35.56)

RCBC TELEMONEY EUROPE S.P.A	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2017	2016
Net Loss	Php (9,172)	Php (45,056)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	-55.15%	-52.36%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	12.43%	-110.16%
Capital to Total Assets	-647.61%	-47.43%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Loss per Share (EPS)	Php (91.72)	Php (450.56)

RCBC-JPL HOLDING COMPANY, INC. (Formerly JP Laurel Bank, Inc.)	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2017	2016
Net Income	Php 88	Php 2,259
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	0.05%	1.05%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	-0.07%	-1.88%
Capital to Total Assets	-61.78%	-62.35%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 0.00	Php 0.01

NIYOG PROPERTY HOLDINGS, INC.	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2017	2016
Net Income	Php 134,909	Php 10,414
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	18.42%	1.40%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	19.32%	1.46%
Capital to Total Assets	96.05%	94.43%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	-	-
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	-	-
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 96.99	Php 7.49

RCBC LEASING AND FINANCE CORP. and Subsidiary	Audited	
In Php 000s (Except EPS)	2017	2016
Net Income	Php 91,147	Php 70,218
Return on Average Assets (ROA)	1.10%	1.04%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)	13.64%	11.23%
Capital to Total Assets	7.87%	13.95%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio	8.61%	12.51%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio	6.65%	8.41%
Earnings per Share (EPS)	Php 0.199	Php 0.15

Notes to the Computations:

1. Consolidated and Parent Company ROA and ROE ratios were taken from the corresponding audited financial statements. ROA ratio of the subsidiaries was determined based on the average of the quarterly ending balances of total assets, audited and/or unaudited. ROE ratio of the subsidiaries was likewise computed based on the average of the quarterly ending balances of total equity, audited and/or unaudited.
2. CAR covers combined credit, market and operational risks. Where the BIS CAR was not computed, the simple Capital to Total Assets ratio formula was used.
3. NPL ratio is determined by using the following formula: $(\text{Total NPLs net of total specific provision for losses}) / (\text{Total gross loan portfolio})$
4. NPA ratio is determined by using the following formula: $(\text{Net NPLs} + \text{Gross ROPA} + \text{Non performing SCR}) / \text{Gross Total Assets}$.
5. For some subsidiaries, the NPL/NPA ratios were not computed since these ratios were not applicable.

Key Variable and Other Qualitative and Quantitative Factors

Plans for 2018

Sustaining the core business growth and to stabilize core earnings while focusing on select segments and niche markets will be the main thrust of the Bank for 2018. SME and consumer loans will remain as the main drivers of loan growth; Microfinance lending will continue to grow especially in the Mindanao and Visayas regions. In addition, the Bank aims to build its securities portfolio and increase low-cost deposits.

The Bank aims to increase its fee-based income from deposit and branch-related transactions, e-banking channels, corporate, consumer and investment banking businesses, wealth management, trust, retail banking, cash management, Bancassurance, investment banking, and cards business. The Bank aims to increase deposit volume by introducing new products, client requisition through branch expansion and offer cash management products and services to business enterprises, and regular deposit campaigns and promos.

The Bank intends to capitalize on the various alliances forged with several Japanese, Chinese, and Korean banks by offering products and services to multinational corporate clients while expanding capabilities with the transfer of technologies and best practices. Strong focus will be given to building a strong consumer franchise inclusive of a large consumer credit portfolio by capitalizing on the branch network through a much refined branch referral incentive program.

Note to Financial Statements as of March 31, 2018

Statement of Compliance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. The interim financial statements of the Bank have been prepared in accordance with the Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS).

See accompanying Notes to Interim Financial Statements for the detailed discussion of compliance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

Accounting Policies and Methods of Computation. See accompanying Notes to Interim Financial Statements for the detailed discussion of the accounting policies and methods of computation (Note 2).

Seasonality or Cyclicity of Interim Operations. Seasonal or cyclical events and/or conditions do not materially affect the year-round operations of the Bank.

Changes in Estimates of Amounts Reported. There were no changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior interim periods of the current financial year or in estimates of amounts reported in prior financial years.

Issuances, Repurchases and Repayments of Debt and Equity Securities. On March 15, 2018, the bank issued a US\$ 300 million Senior Unsecured Fixed Rate Notes with a coupon and yield at 4.13% with maturity date on March 16, 2023.

On March 5, 2018, the bank has undertaken an update of its US\$ 2 billion Medium Term Note Programme with a coupon and yield at 4.125% with maturity date on March 16, 2023.

Dividends Paid for Ordinary or Other Shares. In its meeting held on March 26, 2018, The Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.6160 per share or a total of approximately P862 million payable to holders of Common Class and a total of approximately P17 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, both were approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on April 5, 2018 and paid on May 7, 2018.

In its meeting held on January 29, 2018, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.0919 per share, or a total of approximately P23 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, which was approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on March 1, 2018 and paid on March 28, 2018.

In its meeting held on October 30, 2017, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.0840 per share, or a total of approximately P23 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, which was approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on December 12, 2017 and paid on December 22, 2017.

In its meeting held on July 31, 2017, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.0840 per share, or a total of approximately P23 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, which was approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on September 5, 2017 and paid on September 22, 2017.

In its meeting held on April 24, 2017, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.0807 per share or a total of approximately P23 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares which was approved by the Bangko Sentral on April 26, 2017 and paid on June 23, 2017. The Board of Directors also approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.5520 per share or a total of approximately P772 million payable to holders of Common Class and a total of approximately P154 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, both were approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on April 26, 2017 and paid on May 25, 2017.

In its meeting held on January 30, 2017, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.07491 per share, or a total of approximately P21 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, which was approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on March 22, 2017 and paid on March 24, 2017.

The details of the cash dividend approvals and distributions from 2017 up to March 31, 2018 are as follows (amounts in Thousand Php except per share figures):

Date Declared	Dividend		Date Approved by the BSP	Date Paid / Payable	Nature of Securities
	Per Share	Total Amount			
30-Jan-17	P 0.0749	P 21	22-Mar-17	24-Mar-17	Convertible Preferred stock
24-Apr-17	P 0.0807	P 23	26-Apr-17	23-Jun-17	Convertible Preferred stock
24-Apr-17	P 0.5520	P 772,754	26-Apr-17	25-May-17	Common Stock
24-Apr-17	P 0.5520	P 154	26-Apr-17	25-May-17	Convertible Preferred Stock
31-Jul-17	P 0.0840	P 23	5-Sep-17	22-Sep-17	Convertible Preferred stock
30-Oct-17	P 0.0840	P 23	12-Dec-17	22-Dec-17	Convertible Preferred Stock
29-Jan-18	P 0.0919	P 23	1-Mar-18	28-Mar-18	Convertible Preferred stock
26-Mar-18	P 0.6160	P 862,340	5-Apr-18	7-May-18	Common Stock
26-Mar-18	P 0.6160	P 17	5-Apr-18	7-May-18	Preferred Stock

Segment Information. The following table presents revenues and expenses of the Parent Company that are directly attributable to primary business segments for the period ended March 31, 2018 (in millions).

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS*					
	Retail Banking Group	Corporate Banking Group	Treasury / Trust	Others	Total
Net interest income	3,974	2,024	262	(1,444)	4,816
Non-interest income	985	470	412	(143)	1,724
Total revenue	4,959	2,494	674	(1,586)	6,541
Non-interest expense	3,624	1,305	151	67	5,147
Income (loss) before Income tax	1,336	1,189	523	(1,654)	1,394
Income tax expense	-	-	-	261	261
Net income (loss)	1,336	1,189	523	(1,915)	1,133

***Amounts may not add up due to rounding off.**

Material Events Subsequent to the End of the Interim Period Not Reflected in the Financial Statements. On April 27, 2018, the bank re-opened its USD 300 million 4.125% Senior Unsecured Fixed Rate Notes due on March 16, 2023 via a second USD 150 million tranche drawdown off its USD 2 billion Medium Term Note Programme with a re-opening yield of 4.4084% and maturity date on March 16, 2023.

Changes in Composition of the Issuer During the Interim Period. There were no material changes in Composition of the Issuer during the Interim Period.

Changes in Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets. There were no material changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets since the last annual balance sheet date.

Material Contingencies and Any Other Events or Transactions. On January 29, 2018, the bank received the Board of Directors' approval to conduct a Stock Rights Offer to raise up to P15 billion in fresh Common Tier 1 Capital. Timing of transaction is subject to receipt of regulatory approval and market and other conditions.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

Financial Performance

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES					
	Consolidated		Parent		
	Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited	
	31-Mar-18	31-Dec-17	31-Mar-18	31-Dec-17	
Return on Average Assets (ROA)* ^{1/}	0.81%	0.82%	1.01%	1.02%	
Return on Average Equity (ROE) * ^{2/}	6.82%	6.72%	6.83%	6.74%	
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio	14.61%	15.46%	14.42%	15.33%	
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio ^{3/}	1.17%	1.25%	0.42%	0.54%	
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio ^{4/}	1.15%	1.37%	0.39%	0.48%	
Net Interest Margin (NIM)*	4.07%	4.25%	3.70%	3.85%	
Cost-to-Income Ratio	71.70%	70.92%	69.28%	68.01%	
Loans-to-Deposit Ratio ^{5/}	96.16%	93.38%	97.70%	94.26%	
Current Ratio	0.45	0.47	0.50	0.52	
Liquid Assets -to-Total Assets Ratio	0.18	0.20	0.19	0.20	
Debt-to-Equity Ratio	7.62	7.27	5.98	5.60	
Asset-to- Equity Ratio	8.62	8.27	6.98	6.60	
Asset -to- Liability Ratio	1.13	1.14	1.17	1.18	
Interest Rate Coverage Ratio	1.67	1.73	1.89	1.95	
Earnings per share (EPS)* ^{6/}					
Basic and Diluted	PHP 3.28	PHP 3.08	PHP 3.28	PHP 3.08	

**March 31,2018 ratios/amounts were annualized*

^{1/} Average assets for the consolidated and parent ratios were computed based on the 4-month average of end of month balances of total assets. Unaudited net income for the 3-month period ended March 31, 2018 in the amount of P1.133 billion represented the consolidated and parent.

^{2/} Average equity for the consolidated and parent ratios were, likewise, computed based on the 4-month average of end of month balances. Unaudited net income for the 3-month period ended March 31, 2018 in the amount of P1.133 billion represented the consolidated and parent.

^{3/} Non-performing loans (NPLs) were net of total specific allowance for probable losses per BSP Circular No. 772 of 2012.

^{4/} NPAs were net of total specific allowance for probable losses.

^{5/} Including Interbank Loans

^{6/} Total weighted average number of issued and outstanding common shares (diluted) as of March 31, 2018 – 1,399,918,362 shares; as of December 31, 2017 – 1,399,916,364 shares.

Performance Indicators for Wholly-Owned/Majority Owned Subsidiaries

RCBC SAVINGS BANK In Php 000s	Unaudited		Audited	
		March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017
Net Income	PHP	318,842	Php	1,350,231
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		1.10%		1.22%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		10.38%		11.80%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)		13.70%		14.03%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		2.47%		3.13%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		3.66%		4.09%
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	41.89	Php	43.74

RIZAL MICROBANK In Php 000s	Unaudited		Audited	
		March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017
Net Loss	PHP	1,959	Php	(9,537)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		0.56%		-0.69%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		1.33%		-1.54%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)		39.67%		43.24%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		-0.34%		0.02%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		-0.26%		0.01%
Loss per Share (EPS)*	PHP	0.91	Php	(1.09)

RCBC CAPITAL CORPORATION and Subsidiaries In Php 000s	Unaudited		Audited	
		March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017
Net Income	PHP	73,561	Php	550,269
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		6.78%		12.40%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		7.68%		14.46%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)		39.50%		39.36%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.03%		0.03%
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	2.53	Php	4.66

RCBC FOREX BROKERS CORPORATION In Php 000s	Unaudited		Audited	
	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Income	PHP	1,038	Php	4,502
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		2.38%		2.48%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		2.51%		2.60%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		94.77%		95.31%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	8.42	Php	9.00

**March 31, 2018 ratios/amounts were annualized*

RCBC INTERNATIONAL FINANCE, LTD. and Subsidiary In Php 000s	Unaudited		Audited	
	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Loss	PHP	(2,290)	Php	(8,940)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		-6.78%		-6.34%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		-6.95%		-6.49%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		96.70%		97.83%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Loss per Share (EPS)*	PHP	(3.72)	Php	(3.58)

RCBC NORTH AMERICA, INC. ¹ In Php 000s	Unaudited		Audited	
	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Loss	PHP	-	PHP	-
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		0.00%		0.00%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		0.00%		0.00%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		58.70%		58.70%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Loss per Share (EPS)*	PHP	-	PHP	-

RCBC TELEMONEY EUROPE S.P.A. ² In Php 000s	Unaudited		Audited	
	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Loss	PHP	(4,885)	Php	(9,172)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		-150.96%		-55.15%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		39.18%		12.43%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		-236.81%		-647.61%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Loss per Share (EPS)*	PHP	(198.10)	Php	(91.72)

RCBC-JPL HOLDING COMPANY, INC. (Formerly JP Laurel Bank, Inc.) In Php 000s	Unaudited		Audited
	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017
Net Income (Loss)	PHP	(96)	Php 88
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		-0.20%	0.05%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		0.33%	-0.07%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		-59.65%	-61.78%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%	0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%	0.00%
Earnings (Loss) per Share (EPS)*	PHP	(0.00)	Php 0.00

**March 31, 2018 ratios/amounts were annualized*

¹The company ceased its operations in March 2014. Waiting for final liquidation closure.

²The company ceased its operations in March 2016. Waiting for final liquidation closure.

NIYOG PROPERTY HOLDINGS, INC. In Php 000s	Unaudited		Audited
	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017
Net Income	PHP	15,499	Php 134,909
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		8.11%	18.42%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		8.50%	19.32%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		94.08%	96.05%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%	0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%	0.00%
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	45.19	Php 96.99

RCBC LEASING AND FINANCE CORP. and Subsidiary In Php 000s	Unaudited		Audited
	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017
Net Income	PHP	28,122	Php 91,147
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		1.24%	1.10%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		16.07%	13.64%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		7.09%	7.87%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		6.43%	8.61%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		5.71%	6.65%
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	0.25	Php 0.199

**March 31, 2018 ratios/amounts were annualized*

31 March 2018 vs 31 December 2017

RCBC's Total Assets grew by 5.65% or P31.303 billion from P553.988 to P585.292 billion mainly due to the increase in Loans and Receivables, Net and Investment Securities.

Cash and other Cash Items decreased by P6.10% or P896 million from P14.693 to P13.797 billion.

Due from Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, representing 9.75% of total resources, stood at P57.109 billion. Due from other banks increased by 11.81% or P2.340 billion from P19.818 billion to P22.159 billion, mainly due to increase in foreign bank placements. Total trading investment securities, representing 15.14% of Total Resources, increased by 21.59% or P15.747 billion from P72.932

billion to P88.679 billion attributable to 63.06% or P3.382 billion increase in Financial Assets at Fair Value through other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI) from P5.364 billion to P8.746 billion and 22.55% or P13.526 billion increase in Hold-to-Collect (HTC) portfolio from P59.977 billion to P73.502 billion.

Loans under reverse repurchase agreement decreased by 13.75% or P1.352 billion from P9.831 billion to P8.479 billion mainly due to lower placements with the BSP.

Loans and Receivables-net stood at P371.560 billion and represented 63.48% of total resources. This was primarily as a result of increase in the volume of loan releases.

Investment Properties, net increased by 5.47% or P186 million from P3.399 to P3.584 billion attributable to additional foreclosed properties made by subsidiaries.

Deposit liabilities were recorded at P394.614 billion and represented 67.37% of Total Resource. Demand deposits stood at P52.495 billion and accounted for 8.96% of Total Resources; Savings Deposits were recorded at P167.483 billion and accounted for 28.59% of Total Resources. Time deposits reached P174.635 billion and accounted for 29.82% of total resources.

Bills payable increased by 14.78% or P6.497 billion from P43.967 billion to P50.464 billion mainly attributable to higher foreign borrowings; it represented 8.62% of total resources. Bonds payable increased by 60.12% or P16.870 billion from P28.060 billion to P44.930 primarily as a result of issuance of U.S.\$300 million senior notes in March 2018. Accrued taxes, interest and other expenses payable increased by 8.28% or P346 million from P4.185 bio to P4.531 billion mainly due to increase in accruals for interest and other expenses.

Other Liabilities increased by 7.06% or P873 million from P12.371 billion to P13.245 billion.

Total liabilities grew by 6.32% or P30.793 billion from P486.963 billion to P517.756 and represented 88.40% of Total Resources

Total Capital Funds stood at P67.536 billion and accounted for 11.54% of Total Resources.

Finally, there are no known trends, demands, and commitments, events, or uncertainties that will have a material impact on the Bank's operational performance and ability to service obligations.

31 March 2018 vs. 31 March 2017

Total interest income increased by 19.45% or P1.125 billion from P5.781 billion to P6.906 billion and accounted for 105.58% of total operating income. Interest income on loans and receivables went up by 24.09% or P1.217 billion from P5.054 billion to P6.271 billion and accounted for 95.87% of total operating income. The increase is mainly due to increase in average yield and volume of Loans and Receivables. Interest income on investment securities was recorded at P599 million and accounted for 9.15% of total operating income. Other interest income decreased by 75.11% or P108 million from P144 million to P36 million primarily as a result of lower income on Term Deposits due to lower volume of placements.

Total interest expense increased by 27.92% or P456 million from P1.633 billion to P2.089 billion and accounted 31.94% of total operating income. Interest expense from deposit liabilities grew by 35.55% from P933 million to P1.264 billion primarily as a result of increase in deposit level in terms of ADB coupled by increase in average cost; it represented 19.33% of total operating income. Interest expense on bills payable and other borrowings increased by 17.78% or P125 million from P701 million to P825 million mainly due to increase in Bills Payable and Bonds Payable. As a result, net interest income increased by 16.12% or P668 million from P4.148 billion to P4.816 billion.

The Group booked higher impairment losses at P457 million, up by 37% or P123 million from P333 million and represented 6.98% of total operating income. Increase in impairments losses net was mainly due to additional provisions for Credit Card Receivables as a result of implementation of ECL coupled by higher volume year on year.

The Other operating income of P1.724 billion which accounted for 26.36% of total operating income was an improvement of 6.15% or P100 million and is broken down as follows:

- Service fees and commissions declined by 8.72% or P76 million largely due to lower fees from investment banking and lower commitment fees on loans
- Trading and securities gain-net declined by 125.78% or P48 million from P38 million trading gain to a Trading Loss of P10 million, attributable to unrealized mark to market trading losses.
- Foreign exchange gains increased by 134.19% or P197 million from P147 million to P344 million attributable to higher FX trading gains
- Trust fees settled at P68 million.
- Miscellaneous income went up by 5.45% or P27 million from P501 billion to P528 billion brought about by higher dividend income and rental income.

Operating expenses, accounted for 71.70% of Total Operating Income, increased by 11.64% or P489 million from P4.201 billion to P4.690 billion due to the following:

- Manpower costs increased by 7.15% or P105 million from P1.470 billion to P1.575 billion, as a result of increase in headcount and regular salary adjustment. It consumed 24.09% of the total operating income;
- Occupancy and equipment-related stood at P791 million and consumed 12.10% or Total operating income;
- Taxes and licenses grew by 29.21% or P126 million from P432 million to P558 million primarily as a result of higher Documentary Stamp Tax expense as a result of higher DST rates imposed on debt instruments due to TRAIN;
- Depreciation and amortization was recorded at P454 million;
- Miscellaneous expenses went up by 21.08% or P228 million to settle at P1.311 billion from P1.083 billion primarily as a result of higher service fees and other credit card related expenses

Tax expense increased by 10.70% or P25 million from P236 million to P261 million higher taxable income for the period.

Net profit attributable to non-controlling interest settled at P1 million.

Overall, net income increased by 13.06% or P131 million from P1.002 billion to P1.133 billion.

There were no significant elements of income or loss that did not arise from the bank's continuing operations.

Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

See accompanying Notes to FS for the detailed discussion of Commitments and Contingent Liabilities and the summary of contingencies and commitments arising from off-balance sheet items at their equivalent peso contractual amounts (Note 13).

There are also no known trends, events or uncertainties that have had or that are reasonably expected to have a material favorable or unfavorable impact on net sales/revenues/income from continuing operations.

There were no material off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements, obligations (including contingent obligations), and other relationships of the company with unconsolidated entities or other persons created during the reporting period.

Similarly, there were no significant elements of income or loss that did not arise from the Bank's continuing operations.

(C) Financial Statements

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with Financial Reporting Standards in the Philippines for Banks (FRSPB) and reflect amounts that are based on the best estimates and informed judgment of management with appropriate consideration to materiality. (Please see Annex B for the audited financial statements for 2017)

If material;

(i) Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

In the normal course of operations of the Bank, there are various outstanding commitments and contingent liabilities such as guarantees, commitments to extend credit, tax assessments, etc., which are not reflected in the accompanying financial statements. Management does not anticipate losses from these transactions that will adversely affect results of operations.

In the opinion of Management, the suits and claims arising from the normal course of operations of the Bank that remain unsettled, if decided adversely, will not involve sums that would have a material effect on Bank's financial position or operating results. These suits are specified in the Legal Proceedings portion of the Information Statement.

There are no known trends, demands, and commitments, events, or uncertainties that will have a material impact on the Bank's operational performance and ability to service obligations.

Except for the above-mentioned proceedings, the Bank is not aware of any suits and claims by or against it or its subsidiaries, which if decided adversely would have a material effect on its financial position or operating results.

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(ii) events that will trigger direct or contingent financial obligation that is material to the company; including any default or acceleration of an obligation

To the knowledge and/or information of the Bank, there are no events that will trigger a direct or contingent financial obligation that is material to the company, including any default or acceleration of an obligation.

(iii) all material off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements, obligations (including contingent obligations), and other relationships of the company with unconsolidated entities or other persons created during the reporting period

There were no material off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements, obligations (including contingent obligations), and other relationships of the company with unconsolidated entities or other persons created during the reporting period.

(iv) description of any material commitments for capital expenditures, general purpose of such commitments, expected sources of funds for such expenditures

Similarly, there were no significant elements of income or loss that did not arise from the Bank's continuing operations.

(v) any known trends, events or uncertainties (material impact on sales)

There are also no known trends, events or uncertainties that have had or that are reasonably expected to have a material favorable or unfavorable impact on net sales/revenues/income from continuing operations.

(D) External Audit Fees

External Audit Fees and Services. The Audit Committee is empowered to appoint the external auditor of the Bank and pre-approve all auditing and non-audit services. It recommends to the Board the selection of external auditor considering independence and effectiveness and recommends the fees to be paid.

For the audit of the Bank's annual financial statements and services provided in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements, the aggregate amount to be billed/billed, excluding out-of pocket expenses, by its independent accountant amounts/amounted to P11.24 million and P10.75 million for 2017 and 2016, respectively. Additionally, approximately P1.73 million was paid for other services rendered by the independent accountant in 2017.

The audit fees already incorporate fees for tax accounting, compliance, advice, planning and any other form of tax services rendered by the external auditor. There is no separate breakdown of tax fees since the tax compliance procedures are normal/recurring procedures conducted by the external auditor during their year-end audit and is not engaged separately by the Bank from the annual financial statements audit.

As for non-audit services and other fees, these pertain only to the quarterly financial statements review.

Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure. In connection with the audits of the Bank's financial statements for the two (2) most recent years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, there were no disagreements with Punongbayan and Araullo on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, audit scope or procedures.

The Members of the Audit and Compliance Committee are as follows: Mr. Melito S. Salazar, Jr. as Chairman, and Atty. Adelita A. Vergel De Dios and Vaughn F. Montes as Members.

The Audit and Compliance Committee approved the policies and procedures for the above services.

(F) Brief Description of the General Nature and Scope of Business of RCBC and its Subsidiaries

Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation (RCBC or the Bank) is a universal bank in the Philippines that provides a wide range of banking and financial products and services. It has total resources of P554 billion and total networth of P67.03 billion, including minority interest, as of end-December 2017. The Bank ranked eighth (8th) in terms of assets among private local banks. In terms of business centers, the Bank, excluding government-owned and foreign banks, ranked sixth (6th)

with a consolidated network of 508 business centers inclusive of 35 extension offices and supplemented by 1,562 ATMs as of December 31, 2017.

The Bank offers commercial, corporate and consumer lending products, cash management products, treasury products, and remittance services. RCBC also enters into forward currency contracts as an accommodation to its clients and as a means of managing its foreign exchange exposures. The Bank and its subsidiaries (hereinafter referred to as the Group) are engaged in all aspects of traditional banking, investment banking, retail financing (auto, mortgage/housing loans, credit cards and microfinance loans), remittance, leasing, foreign exchange and stock brokering.

The Bank, incorporated under the name Rizal Development Bank, began operations as a private development bank in the province of Rizal in 1960. In 1963, the Bank received approval from the Central Bank of the Philippines to operate as a commercial bank and began operations under its present name, Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation. RCBC obtained its universal banking license in 1989 and has been listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange Inc. (PSE) since 1986.

RCBC's common shares are 42.45% directly and indirectly owned by Pan Malayan Management and Investment Corporation (PMMIC), a company incorporated and domiciled in the Philippines. PMMIC is the holding company of the flagship institutions comprising the Yuchengco Group of Companies (YGC) and other investments. Other significant investors include the World Bank's International Finance Corporation and Cathay Life Insurance Co. Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cathay Financial which is the largest publicly listed financial holding company in Taiwan.

The registered address of RCBC is Yuchengco Tower, RCBC Plaza, 6819 Ayala Avenue cor. Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City.

Through its universal banking license, the Bank is allowed to perform a number of expanded commercial and investment bank functions and to invest in the equity of a variety of allied and non-allied financial and non-financial undertakings.

The Bank's subsidiaries are as follows:

RCBC Capital Corporation (RCBC Capital), a 99.96% owned subsidiary, was established in 1974 as the Bank's investment banking subsidiary. It offers a complete range of investment banking and financial consultancy services which include (i) the underwriting of equity, quasi-equity and debt securities on a firm or best efforts basis for private placement or public distribution; (ii) the syndication of foreign currency or peso loans; and (iii) financial advisory services.

RCBC Securities, Inc. (RCBC Securities), a wholly-owned subsidiary of RCBC Capital, is engaged in the electronic and traditional trading of listed securities and in providing corporate and market research. **RCBC Bankard Services Corporation (RCBC Bankard)**, a wholly-owned subsidiary of RCBC Capital is engaged in providing services to the credit card business of the Bank.

RCBC Savings Bank, Inc. (RSB), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank, was established in 1996 as the Bank's consumer banking arm. RSB provides deposit products, real estate loans, auto loans and personal loans. As of end-December 2017, RSB had 154 business centers and 459 ATMs nationwide.

RCBC Forex Brokers Corporation (RCBC Forex), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank, was incorporated in 1998. RCBC Forex is primarily engaged in dealing and brokering currencies in foreign exchange contracts with local and international clients. In 2016, the foreign exchange business of RCBC Forex was consolidated into RCBC Treasury Group such that RCBC Forex will only continue dealing with money changers, foreign exchange dealers and remittance agents. This will provide synergies such as elimination of redundancy, generation of higher income and meaningful cost savings, and maintenance of client service/relationship. The integration will also

enhance Treasury group's presence in the provinces while Forex operations will contribute extensive experience in documentary review.

RCBC International Finance Limited (RCBC IFL), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank, was established in July 31, 1962 and is the Bank's overseas branch in Hong Kong.

RCBC Investment Ltd. (RCBC IL) is a 100% owned subsidiary of RCBC IFL established on August 1, 1980 to engage in the business of remittance, money exchange, retail lending and investment. RCBC IL was placed under dormant status in May 2009 and RCBC IFL took over its businesses using the Money Service Operator's (MSO) and Money Lender's (ML) Licenses.

RCBC North America, Inc. (formerly RCBC California International, Inc.), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank (83.97% owned by RCBC; 16.03% indirectly owned through RCBC IFL), was a foreign exchange remittance office in California. The company ceased its operations in March 2014.

RCBC TeleMoney Europe S.p.a., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank, was established in 1995 in Rome, Italy to engage in the remittance business. The company ceased its operations in March 2016.

Merchants Savings and Loan Association, Inc. (now operating under the name & style - Rizal Microbank, a thrift bank), a 98.03% owned subsidiary, was acquired on May 15, 2008 to engage in microfinancing and development of small businesses. Rizal Microbank has 18 branches and 5 microbanking offices with operations in Southern Luzon and Mindanao. Rizal Microbank moved its Head Office (HO) and branch from Makati City to Davao City in April 2011.

RCBC Leasing and Finance Corporation (formerly First Malayan Leasing and Finance Corporation) (RCBC LFC), a 97.80% owned subsidiary of the Bank acquired in March 2012, is a pioneer in the leasing and financing industry in the Philippines as the company started its operations in 1957. RCBC LFC is a non-bank financial institution with a quasi-banking license granted by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas. It serves the requirements of corporate, commercial and consumer markets through its innovative loans, leases and investment products. **RCBC Rental Corporation** is a wholly-owned subsidiary of RCBC LFC engaged in renting and leasing business machines, transport vehicles and heavy equipment under an operating lease arrangement.

Niyog Property Holdings, Inc. (NPHI), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank, was incorporated on September 13, 2005 to purchase, subscribe for or otherwise dispose of real and personal property of every kind and description but not as an investment company. It is 48.11% owned by the Bank and 51.89% indirectly owned through RSB.

RCBC-JPL Holding Company, Inc. (formerly Pres. Jose P. Laurel Rural Bank, Inc.) (RCBC-JPL), 99.39% owned, was renamed with a corresponding change in primary business to handle the disposition of the remaining assets of the former JPL Rural Bank. On April 1, 2012, RMB acquired selected assets and liabilities of JPL Rural Bank.

(G) Directors and Executive Officers

The directors of the Company are elected at the annual stockholders' meeting to hold office until the next succeeding annual meeting and until their respective successors have been elected and qualified. Incumbent directors are:

Name	Age	Position	Inclusive Dates	Citizenship
Ms. Helen Y. Dee	74	Director	March 28, 2005 to present	Filipino
		Chairperson of the Board	June 27, 2005 to present	Filipino

		Interim President and Chief Executive Officer	March 23, 2016 to June 30, 2016	
Mr. Cesar E. A. Virata	87	Director	1995 to present	Filipino
		Corporate Vice-Chairman	June 22, 2000 to present	
		Acting Chief Executive Officer	January 28, 2002 to June 29, 2003	
		Chief Executive Officer	June 30, 2003 to June 28, 2004	
Mr. Gil A. Buenaventura	65	Director	July 1, 2016 to present	Filipino
		President and Chief Executive Officer	July 1, 2016 to present	
Mr. Tze Ching Chan	61	Director	November 28, 2011 to present	Chinese
Mr. Richard G.A. Westlake	66	Director	October 1, 2014 to present	New Zealand
Mr. John Law	67	Director	April 27, 2015 to present	Taiwanese
Mr. Yuh-Shing Peng	46	Director	April 27, 2015 to present	French & Taiwanese (dual citizen)
Atty. Florentino M. Herrera, III	66	Director	August 30, 2016 to present	Filipino
Mr. Armando M. Medina	68	Independent Director	Feb. 26, 2003 to present	Filipino
Mr. Juan B. Santos	79	Independent Director	Effective July 1, 2016 (assumption of office is on November 2, 2016) to present	Filipino
Mr. Melito S. Salazar, Jr.	68	Independent Director	June 27, 2016 to present	Filipino
Atty. Adelita A. Vergel De Dios	71	Independent Director	June 27, 2016 to present	Filipino
Amb. Lilia R. Bautista	82	Independent Director	July 25, 2016 to present	Filipino
Mr. Gabriel S. Claudio	63	Independent Director	July 25, 2016 to present	Filipino
Mr. Vaughn F. Montes, Ph.D.	67	Independent Director	September 26, 2016 to present (appointed on July 25, 2016)	Filipino

The names, ages and positions of all **incumbent executive officers** are as follows:

Redentor C. Bancod, 53, Filipino, Senior Executive Vice-President, is the Head of the IT Shared Services Group and was appointed for a concurrent role, as Chief of Staff on November 2, 2017. Prior to assuming these roles, he was the Head of IT Shared Services & Operations Group and the concurrent head of Digital Banking Group. Previously, he was Vice-President & General Manager, Central Systems Asia of Sun Life Financial, Asia and Senior Vice-President and Chief Technology Officer of Sun Life Of Canada (Philippines) Inc. from October 2003 to 2007; Senior Vice- President & Chief Information Officer of Equitable Bank from July 1996 to September 2003; Assistant Vice-President and Head of Applications Development in Far East Bank from October 1993 to June 1996; Assistant Vice-President of Regional Operations (Asia Pacific) of Sequel Concepts, Inc. U.S.A/Ayala Systems Technology Inc. from November 1992 to September 1993; Project Manager in Union Bank of Switzerland, NA from April 1988 to November 1992; and Chief Designer and Technical Adviser in Computer Information System Inc. from March 1984 to April 1998. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy from the University of the Philippines and is a candidate for a Master of Science degree in Information Management from the Ateneo de Manila University.

John Thomas G. Deveras, 54, Filipino, Senior Executive Vice-President, is the Head of Asset Management & Remedial Group and Strategic Initiatives. Initially, he was the Strategic Initiatives

Head when he joined RCBC in 2007 but was appointed as Head of Asset Management & Remedial Group in October 2015. Prior to joining the Bank, he was an Investment Officer at International Finance Corporation. He also worked for PNB Capital and Investment Corporation as President and PNB Corporate Finance as Senior Vice-President. He obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Management Engineering from the Ateneo de Manila University and earned his Masters in Business Administration from the University of Chicago.

Chester Y. Luy, 48, Filipino, Senior Executive Vice President, is the Head of Treasury Group. Prior to joining RCBC, he served in several leadership roles with various banks : Bank of Singapore as Managing Director / Head of Corporate Finance and Structured Transactions (January 2015 to June 2016), Julius Baer as Managing Director / Senior Advisor and Head of Investment Finance (December 2010 to November 2014), Bank of America / Merrill Lynch as Managing Director/Co-Head of Investment Team for Asia Pacific Region (June 2009 to November 2010), Barclays Capital as Managing Director / Head of High Yield Debt Capital for Asia Pacific Region (April 2002 to June 2009), HSBC Securities as Managing Director / Supervisory Analyst for Credit Risk Analysis Group (March 2001 to April 2002), JP Morgan Chase Securities as Vice President for Credit Risk Analysis Group (June 1995 to March 2001) and Merrill Lynch as Investment Management for Asia Pacific Region (June 1990 to September 1993). Mr. Luy graduated in 1990 from the University of the Philippines with a degree in Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. He obtained his Masters in Business Administration degree major in Finance at J.L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management, Northwestern University in 1995.

Michelangelo R. Aguilar, 61, Filipino, Executive Vice-President, is the Head of Conglomerates and Global Corporate Banking Group. He was also the Deputy Group Head of Corporate Banking from November to December 2012 and Corporate Banking Segment 1 Head from September to November 2012. Prior to joining the Bank, Mr. Aguilar was Managing Director of Standard Chartered Bank and Head, Origination and Client Coverage and Co-Head, Wholesale Banking (2004 to 2011) and Country Head, Global Markets (1997 to 2004). He obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from De La Salle University and his Masters in Business Management from the Asian Institute of Management. He is a registered Mechanical Engineer granted by the Board of Mechanical Engineers, Professional Regulatory Commission.

Michael O. de Jesus, 58, Filipino, Executive Vice-President, is the Head of National Corporate Banking Group. He was also the Deputy Group Head of Corporate Banking from November to December 2012 and the Corporate Banking Segment 2 Head from July 2007 to November 2012. He has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from Union College in Schenectady, New York and a Masters in Business Administration (Finance) from The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania.

Rommel S. Latinazo, 58, Filipino, Executive Vice-President, is the President and Chief Executive Officer of RCBC Savings Bank. Prior to this, he was the Head of Corporate Banking Segment 1 under the Corporate Banking Group. He joined the Bank in 2000 as First Vice-President. Previously, he held various positions in Solidbank Corporation, Standard Chartered Bank, CityTrust Banking Corporation, First Pacific Capital Corporation and Philamlife Insurance Company. Mr. Latinazo obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Management from the Ateneo de Manila University and his Masters in Business Administration from the University of the Philippines.

Ana Luisa S. Lim, 58, Filipino, Executive Vice-President, is the Chief Compliance Officer and Head of Regulatory Affairs Group. She was formerly the Head of Operational Risk Management Group prior to assuming her current role. She was also the Head of Internal Audit Group prior to her transfer to Operational Risk Management. She is also a Director and Corporate Secretary of BEAMExchange, Inc. She joined the Bank in 2000 primarily to implement the risk-based audit approach under a shared-services set-up in conformity with the Bank's strategic risk management initiatives. Ms. Lim obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and Accountancy from the University of the Philippines. She is a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Information Systems Auditor and Certified Internal Auditor.

Edel Mary G. Vegamora, 57, Filipino, Executive Vice President, is the Chief Audit Executive and Head of the Internal Audit Group. Her banking background includes being the Chief Financial Officer and Controller of Bank of Commerce from December 2013 to August 2017 and prior to that, she was the Chief Internal Auditor/ Head of Internal Audit of BDO Unibank, Inc. from September 2010 to January 2013. She also had experiences from other banks as follows: as Director of Head of Finance at ING Bank NV -Philippine Branch from August 2001 to July 2007; as Controller at Philippine Savings Bank from October 1991 to July 1993, and as Head of Division 1 of Audit Group in Metrobank from October 1988 to October 1991.

She had other experiences gained from engagement with various firms which include the following: as Managing Director for Worldwide Financial Marketing Alliance; as Senior Consultant/Partner at Diaz, Murillo Dalupan & Co., CPAs, as Part time Internal Auditor for CBCP-Caritas Filipinas Foundation Inc., NASSA, as Part-time Executive Director (Pro Bono) at iTeach, Inc; as Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer of Sun Life of Canada (Phils) Inc., as Chairman of the Board and President (Pro Bono) of the Institute of Internal Auditors; as Director for Assurance (Banking and Insurance Business) of KPMG Laya Mananghaya & Co. CPAs; as Regional Finance Head of Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada - Asia Pacific Division (Philippine Branch) and as Manager-Tax Division, TCG; Started as Financial Auditor (Banking Clients) at Sycip Gorres Velayo & Co.

Ms. Vegamora graduated from the University of the East in 1980 with a degree in BS Business Administration, major in Accounting. She completed her Masters in Business Administration (Abridged) in 1998 offered in Manila by the New York Institute of Finance. She is a Certified Public Accountant (1980) and a Certified Internal Auditor (Institute of Internal Auditors International, USA 1999). She also obtained a Certification in Risk Management Assurance given by the Internal Auditors International, USA 2012. She is a graduate of the Professional Directors Program of the Institute of Corporate Directors and a Fellow at the same institute.

Simon Javier A. Calasanz, 38, Filipino, First Senior Vice President, is the President and CEO of RCBC Bankard Services Corporation. Prior to this, he worked for over 13 years at Hongkong Shanghai Banking Corporation where he handled the following roles : Senior Vice President and Head of Contact Center Management and Consumer Loans (February 2012 to October 2015), Senior Vice President and Head of Cards and Consumer Assets (January 2009 to January 2012), Vice President for Credit Approval Risk Management (May 2007 to January 2009), OIC for Consumer Credit and Risk (September 2008 to November 2008), Assistant Vice President for Personal Financial Services (September 2006 to April 2007), Manager for Third Party Verification Agencies and Process Management (July 2005 to September 2006), Assistant Manager for Quality Review and Systems Support (December 2004 to July 2005), Manila Credit and Risk Support Manager-Manila Project Team (August 2004 to October 2004), Assistant Manager for Management Information Systems (June 2003 to December 2004), Management Information Credit Analyst (September 2002 to June 2003) and Credit Approval Unit Credit Analyst (April 2002 to September 2002). In addition, he also performed significant roles for the Credit Card Association of the Philippines where he is currently the Special Advisor to the Board, and for the Credit Management Association of the Philippines in which the last position he assumed was as Director in 2008. Mr. Calasanz graduated from De La Salle University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce, major in Marketing Management and Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology.

George Gilbert G. Dela Cuesta, 50, Filipino, First Senior Vice President, is the Group Head of the Legal Affairs Group and the Bank's Corporate Secretary. He joined RCBC in November 2016 as Deputy Head for Legal and Regulatory Affairs Group. Previously, he was Head of Legal for Asian Terminals for more than seven (7) years. He previously worked also as General Counsel for Hanjin Heavy Industries & Construction Co. Ltd. and for Mirant (Phils) Corporation. He started his career at Quisumbing and Torres. Atty. dela Cuesta graduated from the University of the Philippines in 1988 with a degree in Bachelor of Arts major in Political Science. He earned his Law degree from the same university in 1992.

Jonathan C. Diokno, 44, Filipino, First Senior Vice President, is the Head of the Retail Banking Group. He previously worked at Banco De Oro Unibank where he handled roles as Head of BDO Remittance Origination, Head of Business Development. He also had employment with Citibank where he was Head of Sales for Cash Management under Global Relationship Banking (Multinational Accounts) and at Standard Chartered Bank where he was a Manager for Business Development. He also had a stint at Bank of the Philippine Islands where he handled various roles such as Sales Officer, Operations and Customer Service Officer, Cash Operations Unit Officer. He started his career in banking under the Junior Officer Training Program of Citytrust Banking Corporation. Mr. Diokno graduated from the University of the Philippines with a Bachelor of Science major in Business Administration in 1994.

Lourdes Bernadette M. Ferrer, 59, Filipino, First Senior Vice-President, is the Head of the Trust and Investments Group. Prior to joining the Bank in September 2000, she held various related positions in Solidbank Corporation and the International Corporate Bank. She graduated from the University of the Philippines with a Bachelor of Science degree in Statistics and likewise obtained her Master's Degree in Business Administration from the same university.

Gerald O. Florentino, 49, Filipino, First Senior Vice-President, is the President of RCBC Securities. He held the position of Group Head and Deputy Group Head of Corporate Planning in RCBC prior to assuming his current position. Before joining the Bank, he was Senior Vice-President for the Investment Banking Group of Investment and Capital Corporation of the Philippines. He gained his corporate planning expertise from AXA Philippines as Vice-President and Head of Strategic Planning, Project Management and Business Development and AXA Way from 2007 to 2009. He also held various positions in UCPB for seven years during which his last appointment was the Head of Cash Management Products for the Working Capital Products Group. Mr. Florentino graduated from the Loyola University of Chicago, Illinois with a degree in Bachelor of Business Administration majoring in Finance and obtained his Masters in Business Management from the Asian Institute of Management.

John P. Go, 49, Filipino, First Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Chinese Banking Segment 2. Prior to joining the Bank, Mr. Go was the Vice-President/Chief Finance Officer/Assistant to the Chairman of Liwayway Marketing Corporation (March 2002 to January 2008), Assistant Vice-President of UCPB (August 1996 to February 2002) and Manager/Business Development Department Head of Monte Piedad Savings Bank (January 1996 to July 1996). He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing from the Philippine School of Business Administration.

Margarita B. Lopez, 50, Filipino, First Senior Vice President, is the Head of Digital Banking Group and the concurrent Head of Operations Group. Prior to joining the Bank, she was connected with Manulife Financial as a member of the Board of Directors and Corporate Vice President/ Asia Head of Digital from October 2014 to March 2016 and the Chief Operations Officer from February 2010 to September 2014. She also held the following positions in various institutions: Chief Operations Officer / Head of Customer Services and Support at Philippine AXA Life (January 2007 to February 2010), Group Head/First Vice President of Electronic Banking Services at Philippine National Bank (January 2005 to December 2006) and Division Head/Vice President of Transactional Banking at United Coconut Planters Bank (1996 to 2004). She also held consultancy roles from 1988 to 1996 and was the Analyst Programmer for Infolink assigned at CityTrust from 1987 to 1988. Ms. Lopez started her career as Lecturer at the University of the Philippines in 1995. She obtained her Bachelor of Computer Science and Masters in Technology Management, Business and Industry in the same university.

Regino V. Magno, 59, Filipino, First Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Business Risk Group. He was the Bank's Chief Risk Officer and the Head of Corporate Risk Management Services (CRISMS) when he was hired in 2009. Prior to joining the Bank, he was the Chief Risk Officer of Sterling Bank of Asia from August 2007 to December 2008. He was a Market Risk Consultant of Chase Cooper, a London-based consulting firm, Chief Risk Officer of Philippine National Bank for four years, a Consultant of Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation for one year, and a Senior

Risk Manager at the Bank of the Philippine Islands for four years. He also held various positions in CityTrust Banking Corporation. Mr. Magno obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Management Engineering from De La Salle University and his Masters in Business Administration from the University of the Philippines. (Retired on February 25, 2018)

Remedios M. Maranan, 57, Filipino, First Senior Vice-President, is the Special Assistant to the Retail Banking Group Head for Business Controls. Prior to assuming this role, she was the National Service Head of Retail Banking Group. Ms. Maranan started as a BOTP Trainee in 1989 after which she assumed various positions in branch operations. Her noteworthy stints include being the Regional Operations Head for Metro Manila in December 1998 to April 2004, BC Services Division Head in May 2004 to May 2008 and Regional Service Head for Metro Manila in June 2008 to February 2010 and Deputy Group Head of BC Services from March 2010 to September 2013. She obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce majoring in Accounting from the Polytechnic University of the Philippines.

Yasuhiro Matsumoto, 58, Japanese, First Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Global and Ecozone Segment and concurrently, Head of the Japanese Business Relationship Office. Prior to this, he worked for The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd. since 1984, when the bank was named The Sanwa Bank, Ltd. He has also previously served as a director of the Bank. He obtained his Bachelor of Economics degree from Waseda University, Japan.

Emmanuel T. Narciso, 56, Filipino, First Senior Vice President, is the Group Head of Global Transaction Banking. Prior to joining RCBC, he was the Group Head of Transaction Banking in Banco de Oro Unibank, Inc. from June 2011 to August 2015. He was also previously connected with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, where he handled the following roles: Head of Business Banking Division (Philippines), Head of Payments and Cash Management for Vietnam and Philippines. He also worked for Security Bank Corporation as Head of Corporate Transaction Banking Division and Citibank N.A. where his last appointment was as Business Development Head for Global Transaction Services. Mr. Narciso started his career in the banking industry when he was hired by the Bank of the Philippine Islands as an Analyst/Programmer in 1984. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the Ateneo de Manila University in 1984 and finished his Master in Business Management from the Asian Institute of Management in 1989.

Reynaldo P. Orsolino, 57, Filipino, First Senior Vice-President, is the Segment Head of Emerging Corporates. He was also the Head of Commercial & Medium Enterprises Division before assuming his current position. Prior to joining the Bank, he served as Senior Vice-President of Philippine National Bank from June 2003 to July 2007, and previously held senior positions at the Planters Development Bank, Asian Banking Corporation, and the Land Bank of the Philippines. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the University of the Philippines.

Alberto N. Pedrosa, 48, Filipino, First Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Investment and Markets Trading and Balance Sheet Management Group. Prior to assuming this role, he was the Head of Investment and Markets Trading Segment. He was also the Investment Portfolio Management Division Head from August 2009 to June 2015. Prior to joining the Bank, he was the Chief Trader for Uniworks, Inc. (April 2009 to July 2009), Vice-President and Head of Global Liquid Products Trading for JG Summit Capital Markets (2000 to 2008), Assistant Vice-President of Asset, Liquidity Management and Investment Trading for PCIBank (1995 to 2000) and Senior Assistant Manager and Junior FX Trader for the Bank of the Philippine Islands (1993 to 1995). Mr. Pedrosa started his career when he joined BPI's Officer Training Program in 1993. He completed his Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce majoring in Philosophy at the London School of Economics.

Joseph Colin B. Rodriguez, 50, Filipino, First Senior Vice President, is the President and CEO of RCBC Forex Brokers Corporation. Prior to this appointment, he was the Treasurer of RCBC Savings Bank in September 2016 to and before this secondment, he was the President and Chief Executive Officer of RCBC Forex Brokers Corporation from April 2015 to August 2016 and Senior

Vice President and Treasurer of RCBC Savings Bank from August 2011 to March 2015. He also assumed various positions in Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation as Head of the FX Risk Division and Head of Institutional Relationship Management Division. Before joining RCBC, he spent over two decades at the Treasury division of several foreign /local banks. He was Vice President and Head of the Foreign Exchange and Swap Desk at ING Bank Manila. He was also a Dealer at the Manila office of Banque Indosuez and Assistant Dealer at the Riyadh office of Banque Al Hollandi (ABN AMRO Bank). He also headed the FX and Swaps division of Bank of the Philippine Islands. He graduated from De La Salle University with a double degree in Liberal Arts & Commerce, Major in Marketing and in Political Science.

Rowena F. Subido, 51, Filipino, First Senior Vice-President, is the Group Head of Human Resources. She was also the Deputy Group Head of Human Resources before assuming her current position. Prior to joining the Bank, she worked with Citibank, N.A. as Country Lead Human Resources Generalist/Senior Vice-President, prior to which she was Head of Human Resources for the Institutional Clients Group for almost two years. She has also worked with Citifinancial Corporation, the Consumer Finance Division of Citigroup, as Human Resources Head for four years. She also has HR experience in retail, distribution and manufacturing industries, having worked for California Clothing Inc. where she was Human Resources Head, International Marketing Corporation as Division Manager for Human Resources & Operations, Tricom Systems (Philippines), Inc. as Personnel and Administration Officer and Seamark Enterprises, Inc. as a Personnel Officer. Ms. Subido obtained her Bachelor of Science degree majoring in Psychology from the University of Santo Tomas and her Masters in Psychology majoring in Organisational/Industrial Psychology at De La Salle University.

Bennett Clarence D. Santiago, 48, Filipino, First Senior Vice President, is the Head of the Credit Management Group. Prior to joining RCBC, he was the Business Head for Small Business Loans in the Consumer Lending Group of Banco De Oro Unibank. His experiences in this bank include serving as Head, Business Development, Commercial Banking, Institutional Banking Group and Head, Credit Risk Control, Commercial Banking. He had previous stints with other banks in various roles such as Commercial Bank Risk Head of Citibank, N.A.; Chief Compliance Officer of Unionbank, Strategic MIS Officer, Unionbank and Loans Product Manager, Unionbank; Risk Management Center Head and Credit Risk Officer, International Exchange Bank. He started his banking career at Hongkong Shanghai Banking Corporation as Assistant Account Manager, Garments Division. He handled other roles thereafter in the said bank as follows: OIC, General Trading and Manufacturing Division, Business Development Officer, Assistant Manager, Financial Institutions, Remedial Management, and Relationship Manager, Financial Institutions. He also had experiences from other industries such as Globe Telecom Inc. where he worked as Senior Manager for Insurance and Manager for Asset Liability and Dasmariñas Garments Corporation as Executive Assistant. He graduated from the University of the Philippines in 1991 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. He finished his Master in Business Administration in 2001 from Ateneo de Manila Business School.

Ma. Christina P. Alvarez, 47, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Corporate Planning Group. Prior to assuming this position, she was the OIC of Corporate Planning Group from October to December 2014 and the Financial Planning and Development Division Head from August 2006 to September 2014. She worked with various institutions in the following capacities: Financial Planning Officer at Banco de Oro from July 2005 to July 2006, Corporate Planning Officer at RCBC from 1999 to 2005, Risk Management and Planning Officer of Malayan Bank from 1998 to 1999, Research Officer of Unicapital, Inc. from 1995 to 1996 and Credit/Financial Analyst of Multinational Investment Corporation from 1991 to 1995. Ms. Alvarez graduated from Ateneo de Manila University in 1991 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Management Economics. She earned her Masters in Business Management degree from the Asian Institute of Management in 1998.

Lalaine I. Bilaos, 49, Filipino, Senior Vice President, is the Head of the Local Corporate Banking Segment – Division II. Prior to occupying the position of Division Head on April 2011, she was holding the position of a Relationship Manager. She joined the bank in June 1992 as a Secretary

for Corporate Planning. Six months thereafter, she moved to Credit Operations Department to handle a Credit Analyst role. By January 1994, she joined Corporate Banking Group and was assigned under Project Finance as a Project Analyst. She also had other roles in the said team as Marketing Assistant and Jr. Project Account Officer. She became an Account Officer in 2000 at the Corporate Division 1 of Corporate Banking Group in Ortigas. Before joining RCBC, she had stints with Dynamic Union of Consultants and Managers, Inc and American Home Assurance Co. as Credit and Collection Assistant and Billing Assistant respectively. She graduated from De La Salle University in Manila in 1989 with a degree in Bachelor of Arts major in Economics.

Enrique C. Buenaflor, 47, Filipino, Senior Vice President, is the Head of Corporate Cash Management Segment. He joined RCBC in 2010 as Business Development Manager of Global Transaction Banking Group and was later appointed as Head of Business Development Division in 2011. Prior to joining RCBC, he was the Group Head/Vice-President of Structure Products for Philippine Bank of Communications (August 2005 to March 2010), Operations Head of Central Verification Unit for Citifinancial Corporation (July 2004 to July 2005), Sales Head/Assistant Vice-President of Corporate Cash Management Services (2001 to 2004) and Product Manager (1999 to 2001) for ABN AMRO Bank. He also worked for Philippine Global Communications Corporation as Senior Manager for Corporate Planning (July 1999 to November 1999) and Capitol Wireless, Inc as Business Development Director/Marketing and Sales Manager (March 1997 to May 1999). He started his career in Citibank N.A. as Operations Staff in 1992 and then as Management Associate in 1996. Mr. Buenaflor earned his undergraduate degree, Bachelor of Science in Business Management from Ateneo de Manila University and finished his Masters in Business Management at Asian Institute of Management.

Karen K. Canlas, 43, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Division 2 Head of Wealth Management Segment 2. She was the OIC of Division 1 from February to August 2011 and the Senior Relationship Manager of the same division from February 2010 to February 2011. Prior to joining RCBC, she was the Corporate Sales Unit Head/Vice President of Export Bank from August 2005 to January 2010, Relationship Manager/Senior Manager of Equitable PCI Bank from February 2003 to August 2005, Branch Head (Main Office) of Bank of Commerce from May 2002 to January 2003, Manager (Relationship Banking Group) of Export and Industry Bank from September 2001 to May 2002 and Branch Head of Global Business Bank from September 2000 to September 2001. She also held various positions at Urban Bank for almost 6 years in which her last appointment was as Manager of Alabang Regional Office, Business Development Group. Ms. Canlas started her career as Technical Staff at the National Economic Development Authority in March 1994. She obtained her Bachelor of Arts major in Economics minor in Political Science degree from De La Salle University in 1994.

Brigitte B. Capina, 57, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Regional Sales Director of South Metro Manila. Prior to occupying this position, she was the Marketing and Sales Director of Makati Central Business District in 2013, the Regional Sales Manager of South Metro Manila in 2012, Regional Sales Manager of Corporate Headquarters in 2009 and Business Manager for various branches such as RCBC Plaza in 2005, Buendia in 2004 and Makati Avenue in 2003. She obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce majoring in Accounting from the University of San Agustin, Iloilo City and her Masters in Business Management from the University of the Philippines, Visayas.

Arsenio L. Chua, 57, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Regional Sales Director of North Metro Manila. Prior to occupying this position, he was the Marketing and Sales Director of Ortigas Central Business District in 2013, Regional Sales Manager of North Metro Manila in 2012, Regional Sales Manager of Central Metro Manila in 2010, District Sales Manager of Southern Metro Manila in 2009 and Business Manager of Caloocan Branch in 2007. He obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Management and Industrial Engineering from the Mapua Institute of Technology.

Claro Patricio L. Contreras, 57, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Remedial Management Division. Prior to joining RCBC, he was the AVP for Special Accounts Management

Services Group at BPI (April 2000 to June 2000), AVP for Credit Mgmt. Services Group at FEBTC (January 1997 to March 2000), and Manager for Credit Management Services Group at FEBTC (October 1995 to December 1996). He completed his Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce majoring in Business Management from San Beda College.

Elizabeth E. Coronel, 49, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Conglomerates and Strategic Corporates Segment. She joined RCBC in June 2013 as Senior Banker and Head of Conglomerate Banking Division. Previously, she was the Senior Vice-President and Chief Operations Officer of Equicom Savings Bank, a position she held for more than five years. She also held various positions in local and foreign banks namely Mizuho Corporate Bank as Vice President and Co-Head of Corporate Finance Department (January 2007 to February 2008), Equitable PCIBank as Vice-President and Head of Corporate Banking Division 4 (1996 to 2007) and Citibank as Relationship Manager of Global Consumer Bank (1993 to 1996). She started her career in the banking industry when she joined RCBC in 1989 as Marketing Assistant for Corporate Banking. Ms. Coronel obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree in Behavioral Science from the University of Santo Tomas and earned MBA units from the Ateneo Graduate School of Business. She also completed the Mizuho-ICS (MICS) Mini-MBA program at Hitotsubashi University Graduate School of International Corporate Strategy.

Antonio Manuel E. Cruz, Jr., 50, Filipino, Senior Vice President, is the OIC for Chinese Banking Segment 1. Prior to being designated to this role, he was the Division 1 Head for Emerging Corporates Segment. He joined the Bank in 2008 and assumed the following positions for Commercial & Small Medium Enterprises under National Corporate Banking: Metro Manila-Luzon Head from December 2012 to September 2013, Makati Lending Center Head from September 2009 to December 2012 and Metro Manila Lending Center Head from January 2008 to September 2009. Before joining RCBC, he was the Ortigas Lending Center Head for Philippine National Bank from December 2005 to December 2007 and the Relationship Manager for Asia United Bank from September 2000 to November 2005. He started his banking career at Solidbank Corporation where he assumed the following positions: Relationship Manager from January 1994 to August 2000, Management Trainee from July 1993 to December 1993, Senior Analyst from January 1993 to June 1993 and Junior Analyst from July 1990 to December 1992. Mr. Cruz obtained his degree in AB Economics from the Ateneo de Manila University in 1990.

Edwin R. Ermita, 55, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Bank Security Officer. He was also the Corporate Services Division Head prior to assuming his current position. Previously, Mr. Ermita worked for CTK Incorporated as Consultant, Solidbank as Security and Safety Department Head and UCPB as Security and Safety Department Head. He started his career in UCPB as Teller in 1983 before moving to Branch Marketing in 1985. Mr. Ermita earned his Bachelor of Science in Management from Ateneo de Manila University. He finished his Masters in Business Administration with specialization in Industrial Security Management from the Philippine Women's University.

Benjamin E. Estacio, 47, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Regional Service Head of Mindanao. Prior to assuming this position, he was the District Service Head of Southern Mindanao from May 2004 to March 2011. Mr. Estacio started his career with the Bank as SA Bookkeeper in February 1992 after which he assumed various positions in the branch. He graduated from the University of San Carlos, Cebu City with a Bachelor of Science in Commerce major in Accounting in 1991.

Erico C. Indita, 49, Filipino, Senior Vice President, is the National Sales Director/ Segment Head of Retail Banking Sales. Mr. Indita was hired as Domestic Remittance Clerk in 1993 after which he assumed various positions in Retail Banking. His noteworthy stints includes being the Regional Sales Director of Central Metro Manila (January 2015 to November 2016), District Sales Director of Makati Central Business District (January 2014 to December 2014), Marketing and Sales Director of Chinese Uptown (February 2013 to December 2013), District Sales Manager of Makati Central Business District (January 2011 to February 2013) and Business Manager of Makati Avenue (November 2004 to December 2010). He graduated from San Beda College with a degree

in Bachelor of Science in Commerce major in Management in 1989 and finished his Masters in Business Administration at the Ateneo de Manila in 2007.

Jonathan Edwin F. Lumain, 56, Filipino, Senior Vice President, is the Bank's Chief Technology Officer. Mr. Lumain joined the Bank in 2001 and held the following IT-related positions: IT Head for Shared Technology Services (January 2008 to May 2016), Application Systems Department Head (August 2003 to December 2007) and Information Management Head (August 2001 to August 2003). Prior to joining RCBC, he was the Department Head of Branch Systems for BPI (November 1999 to July 2001), Department Head of Trust Banking Systems Development for Far East Bank and Trust Company (August 1993 to October 1999), Project Manager for Philippine Commercial International Bank Automation Center (November 1990 to July 1993) and Systems Analyst for Al Ajlani Ent., KSA (May 1985 to October 1990). He started his career in IT when he joined Andres Soriano Corporation as Programmer Trainee in December 1981. Mr. Lumain earned his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree from the University of the Philippines in 1981. He obtained his Master of Science in Computer Science from the Ateneo de Manila University in 1997.

Vivien I. Lugo-Macasaet, 58, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Management Services Division. She was also the Head of the HO Operations Division from November 2008 to January 2014. Prior to joining the Bank, she served as Vice-President of Financial Markets Operations at Citibank (May 2006 to June 2008), Senior Vice-President and Group Head of the International Processing Group at PNB (December 2002 to April 2006) and Vice-President and Business Manager for Institutional Equities at JP Morgan Equities (July 2001 to October 2002). Ms. Lugo-Macasaet graduated from the University of the Philippines with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics.

Florentino M. Madonza, 47, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Group Head of Controllershship effective October 14, 2014. He was the Deputy Group Head of Controllershship from August 2014 to October 2014, General Accounting and Services Division Head from July 2004 to July 2014, General Accounting Department Head from September 2001 to July 2004, Assistant to the Department Head of General Accounting from January 1998 to September 2001, Asset Management and Sundry Section Head from September 1997 to December 1997 and Corporate Disbursement and Payroll Section Head from June 1996 to September 1997. Prior to joining the Bank, he worked for Sycip, Gorres, Velayo and Co. from July 1993 to May 1996 as Auditor. Mr. Madonza completed his Bachelor of Science in Commerce major in Accounting (Cum Laude) from the Araullo University, and is a Certified Public Accountant.

Jane N. Manago, 53, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Group Head of Wealth Management. Prior to this appointment, she was the OIC of Wealth Management Group from December 2015 to January 2016, Segment Head of Wealth Management 1 from September 2014 to November 2015, Division 2 Head of Wealth Management from December 2006 to August 2014 and Relationship Manager for Division 2 from April 2006 to December 2006. She also worked for YGC Corporate Services Inc. as Officer-In-Charge and Marketing Head. Prior to joining the Bank, she worked with Citibank as Cash Product Manager for Global Transaction Services (September 1998 to January 1999), Account Manager (April to August 1998) and Head of Corporate Banking for Chinatown Branch (November 1996 to March 1998) and at Equitable Banking Corporation from May 1986 to October 1996, where her last appointment was the Head of the Research and Special Projects Unit. She obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce degree majoring in Business Administration and her Bachelor of Arts degree majoring in Behavioural Science from the University of Santo Tomas.

Jose Jayson L. Mendoza, 46, Filipino, Senior Vice President, is the Provincial Division Head for Commercial and SME Banking Segment. He joined the Bank in 2008 as Lending Center Head for Small & Medium Enterprises Division-Luzon. Previously, he worked with MayBank Philippines as Head of Retail Loans Management (January 2005 to August 2008), Philippine National Bank as Account Officer (January 2003 to December 2004), Philippine Savings Bank as Account Officer

(August 1996 to December 2002) and Islacom as Senior Credit Investigator (May 1994 to July 1996). He started his banking career when he joined Allied Banking Corp. as Credit Investigator in 1993. Mr. Mendoza graduated in 1993 from De La Salle University with a degree of AB Management.

Gerardo G. Miral, 52, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Consumer Lending Group of RCBC Savings Bank. Prior to his secondment to RCBC Savings Bank, he was the Division II Head of Global and Ecozone Segment from April 2011 to January 2016 and Relationship Manager for JES Division II from February 2002 to April 2011. He also assumed various positions in the branch from September 1987 to February 2002. Mr. Miral obtained his Bachelor of Arts major in Economics degree from the University of Sto. Tomas in 1986.

Ma. Cecilia F. Natividad, 43, Senior Vice President, is the Head of the Marketing Group. Before joining RCBC, she served as Head of Marketing at Western Union Financial Services, Inc. She previously worked with other firms like Nestle Philippines Incorporated as Consumer Marketing Manager and at Ayala Life Assurance Incorporated as Sales Trainor, and at Amon Trading as Management Trainee. She graduated from the Ateneo de Manila University in 1995 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Management major in Legal Management.

Evelyn Nolasco, 56, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Head of the Asset Disposition Division. Before she joined the Bank, she was the Senior Vice-President and Treasury Head of the ASB Group of Companies in 1995 and Manager for Corporate Finance for SGV & Company from 1994 to 1995. She graduated from De La Salle University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce majoring in International Marketing and obtained her Master's degree in Business Management from the Asian Institute of Management.

Matias L. Paloso, 59, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Retail Banking Support Segment. He was formerly the Head of RBG Products, Support & Systems Segment from July 2014 to November 2016 and was seconded to RSB as Deputy Group Head of Retail Banking from April 2012 to July 2014. Prior to this, he was assigned at RCBC as the Regional Sales Manager of North Metro Manila in 2011, Regional Sales Manager of Southern Luzon in 2009, District Sales Manager of South West Luzon in 2002 and Business Center Manager of Camelray Branch in 1999. He obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce majoring in Accounting from Divine Word College, Tagbilaran City. (Retired 2/25/18)

Loida C. Papilla, 56, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Asset Management Support Division Head. She joined RCBC in 2006 as Operations Support Division Head. She worked for various institutions in the following capacities : Assistant Vice-President / Head of Billing and Collections Section in PNB (April 2004 to February 2006), Assistant Vice-President/OIC in UCPB Securities Inc. (August 1999 to January 2004), Operations Finance Manager in Guoco Securities Inc. (January 1994 to August 1999), Media Consultant in the Office of the Senate President (October 1992 to December 1993), Research Director in Philippine Newsday (June 1989 to June 1992), Research Head in Business Star (June 1987 to June 1989) and Researcher in Business Day Corp. (November 1981 to June 1987). Ms. Papilla graduated from the University of the East in 1981 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration major in Accounting. She is also a Certified Public Accountant.

Arsilito A. Pejo, 55, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Regional Sales Director of Visayas Region. Prior to this, he was the Regional Sales Director of Eastern Visayas. Mr. Pejo joined RCBC in 1982. His noteworthy stints include being the Regional Service Head of Visayas from June 2008 to December 2014 and Area Service Head of Visayas from May 2004 to May 2008, Regional Operations Head from October 2002 to April 2004 and Cebu Operations Center Head from June 1998 to September 2002. He obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce major in Accounting from Colegio de San Jose – Recoletos in 1982.

Honorata V. Po, 57, Filipino, Senior Vice President, is the Regional Sales Director for the South Luzon Regional Office. Prior to assuming the role of Regional Sales Director in 2016, she was a

District Sales Director and a District Sales Manager for Southeast Luzon District from 2014 to 2016 and 2008 to 2013 respectively. In between these roles, she was designated as Financial Center Head based in Lucena in 2013. She joined the bank in 1994 as Business Center Manager, a position which she held until 2008. Before she joined RCBC, she was connected with Philippine National Bank from 1983 to 1993. She handled various roles in the said bank which include the following - Audit Clerk, Statistician, Audit Examiner, Accountant, Cashier and Branch Manager. Her first banking experience was gained from Far East Bank where she worked as a Teller from 1980 to 1982. Outside the banking industry, she had engagements in other institutions as follows: as Regional Governor for the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (2009 to 2010), as President of Quezon - Lucena Chamber of Commerce and Industry (2007 to 2008) and as a Director/Minor stockholder of Moldedcraft Consulting Corporation. She obtained a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration major in Accounting at the University of the East in 1980.

Nancy J. Quiogue, 49, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Regional Service Head of North Metro Manila. Prior to assuming her current position, she was the Regional Service Head for North Metro Manila and Central Metro Manila. She was the Regional Service Head for Metro Manila from April 2010 to December 2014 and District Service Head for Metro Manila from May 2004 to April 2010. She also held various positions at the Bank since 1991. Ms. Quiogue graduated from the Philippine School of Business Administration with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration majoring in Accounting.

Elsie S. Ramos, 52, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Legal Affairs Division Head. She joined the Bank in 2006 and assumed the position of Litigation Department Head. Prior to joining RCBC, she was the Corporate Lawyer and Head of Legal and Corporate Affairs Division for Empire East/Land Holdings (2004 to 2006), Senior Associate and Lawyer-In-Charge of the Docket/Records Section for Ponce Enrile Reyes and Manalastas (2003 to 2004), Senior Associate for Martinez and Mendoza (2001 to 2002), Senior/Junior Associate for Ponce Enrile Reyes and Manalastas (1996 to 2000) and Legal Consultant for Companero Y Companera (1997 to 1998). She held various positions in the University of the Philippines, Department of History such as Assistant Professor (1994 to 1998), Assistant to the Chairman (1992 to 1993) and Instructor (1988 to 1994). She was also a Part-Time Instructor at the St. Scholastica's College, Manila from 1987 to 1989. She obtained her Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degree in History from the University of the Philippines, Diliman. She also finished her Bachelor of Law in the same university.

Ismael S. Reyes, 51, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Retail Banking Marketing Segment. He was formerly the National Sales Director when he joined the Bank in 2013. Prior to joining RCBC, he assumed various positions in Philippine Savings Bank as First Vice-President/Head of the Loans Operations Group (October 2012 to October 2013), First Vice President/Branch Banking Group Head (January 2011 to October 2012), Vice-President/Deputy Branch Banking Group Head (June 2010 to December 2010) and Vice- President/ Business Development Unit Head (October 2008 to May 2010). He worked for iRemit Inc where he handled roles such as Division Head for Market Management (January 2004 to September 2008) and Deputy Head for the Global Sales and Marketing Division (August 2001 to December 2003). He also worked with Bank of the Philippine Islands where he was assigned as Operations Manager /Section Head for Funds Transfer Department from 1999 to 2001. His banking career started in Far East Bank in 1987 when he was hired as Staff for International Operations Division. By 1990 he was promoted to a supervisory rank in the same division and as an officer in 1993. He held the position of Department Head in International Operations in 1995 and became a Project Officer for the Remittance Center in 1996. Mr. Reyes earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce major in Economics at the University of Santo Tomas.

Steven Michael T. Reyes, 46, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Commercial Trading and Sales Segment. Previously, he was First Vice President of Global Markets for Australian & New Zealand Banking Group (March 2009 to January 2014), Vice President / Head of Capital Markets for Banco De Oro (October 2006 to March 2009), Assistant Vice President /Debt and Interest Rate Trader for Citibank, Singapore (January 2006 to October 2006) and Assistant Vice

President/Bonds Trader for Citibank, Manila (January 2002 to December 2005). He also worked for Equitable PCIBank from July 1999 to December 2001 and PCIBank from May 1996 to July 1999 and held the following positions : Senior Manager/Head of Capital Markets Desk (July 2000 to December 2001), Manager /Global Fixed Income Proprietary Trader (July 1999 to July 2000), Assistant Manager / Fixed Income Proprietary Bond Trader (July 1997 to July 1999) and Proprietary Bond Trader (May 1996 to July 1997). Mr. Reyes started his banking career when he joined Bank of the Philippine Islands in 1993 as Position Analyst. He completed his Bachelor of Science in Tourism Management at the University of the Philippines in 1993.

Ma. Rosanna M. Rodrigo, 56, Filipino, Senior Vice President, is the Regional Sales Director of North Luzon Region. Ms. Rodrigo joined the Bank in 1992 and assumed the following positions : Marketing and Sales Director of North West Luzon (February 2013 to September 2013), District Sales Manager of North Central Luzon (November 2009 to February 2013), Branch Manager of Tarlac (February 2005 to November 2009), Branch Manager of Hacienda Luisita (July 1997 to January 2005) and Senior Personal Banker of Tarlac (November 1992 to June 1997). She also worked for Producers Bank of the Philippines as Cashier of Tarlac Branch (April 1983 to October 1992), Far East Bank and Trust Co. as New Accounts Clerk of Tarlac Branch (March 1982 to March 1983) and as contractual employee for New Accounts of Tarlac Branch (December 1981 to February 1982). Ms. Rodrigo obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree in Mass Communication major in Broadcasting from the University of the Philippines in 1981.

Raoul V. Santos, 51, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Investment Services Division Head. He joined RCBC in 2001 as Portfolio Management Section Head before assuming the Investment Services Department Head position in 2008. He also worked for Metropolitan Bank and Trust Company (2000 to 2001), Solidbank Corporation (1999 to 2000). Phinma, Inc. (1991 to 1999) and SGV & Co. (1990 to 1991). Mr. Santos obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Management of Financial Institutions and Bachelor of Arts degree in Asian Studies from the De La Salle University.

Libertine R. Selirio, 52, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Division I Head of Global and Ecozone Segment. Prior to this, she was the Deputy Division Head of JES II from June 2011 to October 2012, Relationship Manager of JES Division II from February 2002 to May 2011, Branch Manager of Dasmariñas from September 2000 to February 2002, Branch Manager of Carmona from July 1998 to September 2000 and Branch Manager of Imus from September 1997 to July 1998. Before joining RCBC, she worked for Pilipinas Bank and assumed the following positions: Account Officer (1993 – 1997), Financial Analysis and Evaluation Section Head (1991 – 1993), Credit Analyst (1989 – 1991) and EDP Teller (1987 – 1989). Ms. Selirio earned her Bachelor of Science in Commerce major in Accounting from St. Scholastica's College in 1986.

Johan C. So, 47, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Division 1 in Local Corporate Banking Segment. Prior to assuming current position, he was the Head of Kaloocan Division from July 2013 to January 2014 and Head of Chinese Banking Division III from June 2008 to June 2013. From August 2005 to May 2008, he worked for Philippine Bank of Communications in which the last position he assumed was as Vice-President/Unit Head of Corporate Banking Group 5. He also worked for Standard Chartered Bank from May 1999 to May 2002, T.A. Bank of the Philippines, Inc. from February 1997 to May 1999 and China Banking Corporation from 1993 to 1997. Mr. So graduated from De La Salle University in 1992 with a degree in Bachelor of Science in Applied Economics and Bachelor of Science in Commerce major in Marketing Management. He obtained his Masters degree in Business Administration from the Ateneo Graduate School of Business in 1999.

Ma. Angela V. Tinio, 54, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the Head of Commercial and Small Medium Enterprises Banking Segment. She has been with the Bank since 2000, holding various positions in Corporate Banking such as VisMin Lending Region Head (December 2010 to June 2013), Metro Manila-Luzon Region Head (April 2006 to November 2010) and Account Management Department Head (July 2000 to April 2006). She worked with Bank of the Philippine Islands as Special Business Unit/Corporate Banking II Manager and Market Head in April 2000. She also held

various positions in Far East Bank and Trust Company from June 1997 to April 2000, PDB Leasing and Finance Corporation from February 1996 to April 1997 and Traders Royal Bank from January 1985 to January 1996. Ms. Tinio obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the University of the Philippines and her Master's degree in Business Administration from the De La Salle University.

Gianni Franco D. Tirado, 45, Filipino, Senior Vice President, is the Regional Sales Director of Mindanao Region. Prior to assuming his current role, he was the Marketing and Sales Director of Central Mindanao (February 2013 to September 2013), District Sales Manager of Central Mindanao (March 2009 to February 2013) and Branch Manager for several branches in Mindanao (November 2000 to February 2009). He also assumed the Branch Operations Head of Marbel (February 1998 to October 2000), CI/Appraiser/Loans Clerk (June 1996 to January 1998) and CASA Bookkeeper of Dadiangas (October 1993 to May 1996). Mr. Tirado earned his Bachelor of Science in Commerce major in Accounting degree from the Notre Dame of Dadiangas University in 1993. He also completed his Masters in Education major in Special Education at the Holy Cross of Davao College in 2009.

Juan Gabriel R. Tomas IV, 46 Filipino, Senior Vice President, is the Head of the Customer Service Support Segment in, Operations Group. His experiences include serving as Head of Capital Markets and Custody, Operations Group, Citibank N. A., Head of Treasury Services Unit, Citibank N. A., Production Officer for Treasury Services Unit, Citibank, Consultant for Controllers' Department, Deutsche Bank AG Manila, and Consultant, for Process Competency Group at Accenture (formerly Andersen Consulting). Mr. Tomas graduated from Ateneo de Manila University in 1993 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Management. He completed his Masters in Business Management major in Finance in 2001 at the Asian Institute of Management.

Raul Martin J. Uson, 55, Filipino, Senior Vice President, is the Segment Head for Branch Services Support Segment. Prior to joining RCBC, he was previously connected with PBCom as Business Centre Operations and Oversight Head. He also assumed the following roles at Citibank N.A. prior to joining PBCom in 2012 : Operations and Services Head (2007 to 2012), Deputy Senior Country Operations Officer for Citi Indonesia (2006), Credit Operations and Transaction Services Head for Citigroup Business Process Solutions (2004 to 2006), Transaction Services Head (2001 to 2004), Internal Control Head (1999 to 2001), Infrastructure Head (1998 to 2001), Quality Assurance Head (1996 to 1998), Expense Processing Department Head (1993 to 1995), Quality Assurance Officer (1991 to 1993), Trade and Reconciliation Unit Head (1988 to 1991), Cash Officer for Greenhills Branch (1985 to 1988) and Teller for Makati Branch (1984 to 1985). Mr. Uson graduated from the University of the Philippines Baguio with a degree in AB Economics and Psychology in 1983.

Emmanuel Mari K. Valdes, 44. Filipino, Senior Vice President, is the Head of Deposit, Product and Promotions Division in Retail Banking Group. Prior to assuming this role, he was the Head of Retail Financial Products Division with the rank of First Vice President. From October 2013 to June 2017. He joined the RCBC in 2010 as Head of Cash Management Services Department and was assigned in 2013 as Financial Center Head under Retail Banking Group. He started his banking career in January 1996 when he joined CityTrust Banking Corporation as a Sales Officer in Retail Banking Branch. He then transferred to Bank of Southeast Asia in 1997 where he handled the same role. He had previous stints thereafter with other banks such as UnionBank of the Philippines where he was Head of Sales Department for Cash Management Services and Standard Chartered where he was a Sales Head also. He graduated from De La Salle University in 1995 with a degree in Bachelor of Science in Commerce major in Business Management.

Teodoro Eric D. Valena, Jr., 59, Filipino, Senior Vice-President, is the IT Head for Information Management Services. Prior to assuming this role, he was designated as the Applications Architect of IT Shared Services Group. Previously, he was the Retail E-Channels Division Head from January 2015 to September 2015, Finacle Division Head from January 2008 to December 2014, Applications Development & Management Division Head from September 2006 to December 2007 and the Application System Services Department Head from April 2001 to September 2006. Prior

to joining the Bank, he held various IT-related positions in several institutions such as Citibank (January 1987 to March 2001), MANCOMTECH (July 1986 to November 1986), Revenue Information Systems Services Inc. (October 1983 to May 1986), Trans-Union Corp. (June 1983 to October 1983), Mini-Systems Inc. (October 1981 to March 1983) and United Computer Programming Center (April 1981 to October 1981). Mr. Valena started his career as a Programmer/Trainee at Mini-Systems Inc. in 1980. He graduated from the University of the Philippines with a Bachelor of Arts in Social Sciences major in Economics in 1983.

Most of the Directors and executive officers mentioned above have held their positions for at least five (5) years.

(H) Market Price and Dividends

(1) Market Price of Bank's Common Equity

The common shares of the Bank are listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange. As of April 10, 2017 the market price of RCBC's common shares closed at 39.30 per share. The trading prices of said shares for the different quarters of the years 2017, 2016 and 2015 are as follows:

		Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
		Last Practicable Trading Date		Last Practicable Trading Date		Last Practicable Trading Date		Last Practicable Trading Date	
2018	High	57.30	1.17.18						
	Low	43.25	3.22.18						
2017	High	45.10	2.14.17	66.00	6.1.17	61.10	7.7.17	63.30	10.20.17
	Low	33.50	1.03.17	37.70	4.3.17	45.00	9.28.17	48.00	10.6.17
2016	High	34.30	2.23.16	32.50	04.04.16	36.95	09.16.16	38.00	10.19.16
	Low	29.10	3.22.16	30.00	05.16.16	31.60	07.08.16	33.55	12.29.16

Source: Philippine Stock Exchange

- (2) Number of Stockholders as of December 31, 2017 — 758 stockholders (common)
— 78 stockholders (preferred)

- (3) Recent sales of unregistered or exempt securities including recent issuance of securities constituting an exempt transaction

No recent sales of unregistered or exempt securities, including recent issuance of securities constituting an exempt transaction to be reported.

- (4) Top 20 Stockholders of RCBC as of December 31, 2017

Common stockholders

name	shares	percentage
PCD NOMINEE CORP.(NON-FILIPINO)	475,678,926	34.01%
PAN MALAYAN MANAGEMENT	473,963,631	33.89%
PCD NOMINEE CORPORATION (FILIPINO)	418,557,854	29.93%
SYBASE EQUITY INVESTMENTS CORPORATION	23,528,800	1.68%
ABOITIZ & COMPANY, INC.	3,103,530	0.22%
HYDEE MANAGEMENT & RESOURCE CORPORATION	2,173,349	0.16%
NAVARRO, RIZALINO S.	260,865	0.02%
A. T. YUCHENGCO, INC.	255,190	0.02%
CONCEPCION, CARMENCITA DE LAS ALAS	224,490	0.02%
ALAS, CARLOS DE LAS	114,298	0.01%

ALAS, CORNELIO DE LAS	114,195	0.01%
CHAN, FREDERICK	111,677	0.01%
YANG JIN LIANG	100,000	0.01%
RUFINO, JOSIE PADILLA	92,865	0.01%
LOMBOS, MANUEL C. &/OR MEYRICK J.	68,574	0.00%
YAO, SHUOBIN	57,000	0.00%
YAO, SHUOYU	57,000	0.00%
RUFINO, JOSEFINA PADILLA	54,292	0.00%

Preferred stockholders

name	shares	percentage
ROSARIO, RODOLFO P. DEL	81,521	31.46%
GO, HOMER	46,355	17.89%
CONCEPCION, CARMENCITA	31,842	12.29%
OPTIMUM SECURITIES CORP.	16,666	6.43%
BDO SECURITIES CORP.	9,304	3.59%
ERESE, HENRY	8,790	3.39%
NGO, LORETA	8,600	3.32%
MANDARIN SECURITIES CORPORATION	7,583	2.93%
TAN, LUCIANO H.	7,309	2.82%
ABACUS SECURITIES CORP.	6,021	2.32%
HWANG, HANS YAP	5,558	2.14%
ANG, TONY ANG &/OR ROSEMARIE	5,372	2.07%
SIA, JOHNSON CHUA	5,000	1.93%
CAMPOS LANUZA & CO. INC.	3,535	1.36%
ACERO, NICASIO MARIN JR., &/OR ARNOLFO O.	3,371	1.30%
CO, JUSTINA DY	3,258	1.26%
CHENG, SUSAN	2,665	1.03%
GLOBALINKS SEC. & STOCKS	2,454	0.95%
BEDAN CORPORATION	2,100	0.81%
LUYS SECURITIES CO. INC.	1,852	0.71%

Security Ownership of Foreigners (as of April 30, 2018)

Title of Class	Shares	% of Total
Common	474,880,296	33.92

(4) Cash Dividends (as of December 31, 2017)

Nature of Securities	Dividend		Record Date	Date Approved		Date Paid/Payable
	Per Share	Total Amount (in Thousand Php)		By BOD	by BSP	
Preferred	P 0.0564	P 0.02	December 21, 2014	October 27, 2014	December 19, 2014	January 28, 2015

Hybrid Perpetual	*	P221.57	*	October 27, 2014	March 20, 2015	April 27, 2015
Preferred	P 0.0564	P0.02	March 21, 2015	January 26, 2015	March 20, 2015	March 27, 2015
Common	P 0.6000	P839.95	May 13, 2015	March 30, 2015	May 13, 2015	June 8, 2015
Preferred	P 0.6000	P0.19	May 13, 2015	March 30, 2015	May 13, 2015	June 8, 2015
Preferred	P 0.0567	P0.02	June 21, 2015	April 27, 2015	September 11, 2015	September 22, 2015
Preferred	P0.0583	P0.02	September 21, 2015	July 27, 2015	September 11, 2015	September 24, 2015
Preferred	P0.0593	P0.02	December 21, 2015	November 4, 2015	**	December 22, 2015
Preferred	P0.6495	P0.02	March 21, 2016	January 25, 2016	**	March 23, 2016
Preferred	P0.0660	P0.02	June 21, 2016	April 25, 2016	June 16, 2016	June 21, 2016
Common	P0.7200	P1,007.94	June 30, 2016	April 25, 2016	June 16, 2016	July 18, 2016
Preferred	P0.7200	P0.21	June 30, 2016	April 25, 2016	June 16, 2016	July 18, 2016
Preferred	P0.0676	P0.02	September 21, 2016	July 25, 2016	September 16, 2016	October 11, 2016
Preferred	P0.0724	P0.02	December 21, 2016	November 2, 2016	January 13, 2017	January 17, 2017
Preferred	P0.0749	P0.02	March 21, 2017	January 30, 2017	March 22, 2017	March 24, 2017
Common	P0.5520	P772.75	April 27, 2017	April 24, 2017	April 26, 2017	May 25, 2017
Preferred	P0.5520	P0.15	April 27, 2017	April 24, 2017	April 26, 2017	May 25, 2017
Preferred	P0.0807	P0.02	June 21, 2017	April 24, 2017	April 26, 2017	June 23, 2017
Preferred	P0.0840	P0.02	September 21, 2017	July 31, 2017	September 5, 2017	September 22, 2017
Preferred	P0.0840	P0.02	December 21, 2017	October 30, 2017	December 12, 2017	December 22, 2017

*Pertains to dividends on hybrid perpetual securities

** Not applicable, BSP approval not anymore required

Dividends are declared and paid out of the surplus profits of the Bank as often and at such times as the Board of Directors may determine after making provisions for the necessary reserves in accordance with law and the regulations of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas.

(I) Compliance with leading practices on Corporate Governance

Core Principles

RCBC affirms its commitment to good corporate governance. With an empowered Board leading the way, RCBC continues to work towards a solid control environment, high levels of transparency and disclosure, and well-defined shareholders' rights.

The corporate governance framework of RCBC combines global best practices such as the G20/OECD Principles of Good Governance and the general principles of the ASEAN Corporate

Governance Scorecard, and the regulatory requirements of SEC Memorandum Circular No. 19, series of 2016 or the *Code of Corporate Governance for Publicly-listed Companies* and BSP Circular No. 969, series of 2017 or the *Enhanced Corporate Governance Guidelines for BSP Supervised Financial Institutions*. RCBC's corporate governance framework is embodied in its Corporate Governance Manual, the latest version of which was approved by the Board in November 2017.

The Board of Directors

Key Roles and Responsibilities

RCBC is headed by a competent and working board that oversees the implementation of the Bank's strategic objectives, governance framework and corporate values.

The Board of Directors is primarily responsible for establishing a sound corporate governance framework not only for the Bank but for the whole RCBC Group. It has the fiduciary responsibility to the Bank and all its shareholders, including minority shareholders. Among its many functions include the approval and oversight on the implementation of RCBC's strategies to achieve corporate objectives, risk governance framework, and systems of checks and balances. The Board also approves the selection of the CEO and key members of senior management and heads of control functions.

Board Composition

In accordance with RCBC's By-Laws and Corporate Governance Manual, its Board of Directors is comprised of fifteen (15) members, all of whom are known for their integrity, experience, education, training and competence. The Corporate Governance Committee ensures that majority of the Board are non-executive directors who possess the necessary qualifications to effectively participate and help secure objective and independent judgment on corporate affairs and to substantiate proper check and balances. Out of the 15-member board, 14 are non-executive directors, including the 7 independent directors, and 1 executive director.

The Board of Directors promotes diversity in its membership. It is the policy of RCBC that no person shall be disqualified to sit as member of its Board on the basis of gender, age, religion or political affiliation. The representation of women in the Board has increased from 14% in 2015 to 20% in 2016, and remained at 20% in 2017. Among the women in the Board is Mrs. Helen Y. Dee, the Chairperson.

Nomination and Election

Directors of RCBC are elected at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting, each of whom shall hold office for a term of one year or until his successor shall have been duly chosen and qualified. The first fifteen candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared as elected.

All nomination for election of directors by the stockholders shall be submitted in writing to the President and the Corporate Secretary at RCBC's principal place of business at least thirty (30) working days before the regular or special meeting of the stockholders for the purpose of electing directors. The Corporate Governance Committee reviews the qualifications of persons nominated to the Board, and applies the *fit and proper standards* in its evaluation. The Committee considers the nominee's educational background, professional experience, nature and business of the corporations of which he/she is a director, age, number of directorships/active memberships and officerships in other corporations/organizations, and possible conflict of interest in determining his/her suitability to be nominated to the Board. The Committee ensures that each nominee possesses all of the minimum qualifications and none of the disqualifications as prescribed under existing laws and regulations. It is provided in the By-Laws that no person shall be qualified or be

eligible for nomination or election to the Board of Directors if he is engaged in any business that competes with or is antagonistic to that of RCBC, its subsidiaries and affiliates, as may be determined by the Board of Directors, in the exercise of its judgment in good faith, by at least a majority vote.

Maximum Board Seats

Being a director of the Bank necessitates commitment. Thus, under the Bank's Corporate Governance Manual, a non-executive director may concurrently serve as a director in a maximum of five (5) publicly-listed companies. In applying this policy to concurrent directorships in entities within a conglomerate, each entity where the non-executive director is concurrently serving as director shall be separately considered in assessing compliance with this requirement.

Who Are In Our Board

Non-Executive Non-Independent	Non-Executive Independent	Executive
Ms. Helen Y. Dee	Mr. Armando M. Medina	Mr. Gil A. Buenaventura
Mr. Cesar E.A. Virata	Mr. Juan B. Santos	
Mr. Tze Ching Chan	Atty. Adelita A. Vergel De Dios	
Mr. Richard G.A. Westlake	Amb. Lilia R. Bautista	
Mr. John Law	Mr. Gabriel S. Claudio	
Mr. Yuh-Shing (Francis) Peng	Mr. Melito S. Salazar, Jr.	
	Mr. Vaughn F. Montes, Ph.D.	

The Bank adopts the definition of independent directors under SEC's *Code of Corporate Governance* and BSP's *Enhanced Guidelines on Corporate Governance for BSP Supervised Financial Institutions*. In 2016, the Board reinforced its independence by increasing the number of independent directors. The attributes of an independent director include independence from management or from any business or relationship which could, or could reasonably be perceived to materially interfere with the exercise of independent judgment, and the lack of relationship to the Bank, its related companies or substantial shareholders as a regular director or officer or relative of said director or officer, as an executive or professional adviser within the past three (3) years, or business relations other than arm's length, immaterial or insignificant transactions.

The Bank's independent directors are active in board-level committees. It is the policy of the Bank, however, that an independent director who is a member of any committee that exercises executive or management functions that can potentially impair such director's independence cannot accept membership in committees that perform independent oversight or control functions such as the Audit and Compliance Committee, Risk Oversight Committee, Corporate Governance Committee, Related Party Transactions Committee, and the Anti-Money Laundering Committee.

An independent director of RCBC is only allowed to serve for a maximum cumulative term of nine (9) years. After which, the independent director shall be perpetually barred from serving as independent director in the Bank, but may continue to serve as a regular director. The maximum cumulative term of nine (9) years shall be reckoned from 2012.

The incumbent independent directors are *Amb. Lilia R. Bautista, Mr. Gabriel S. Claudio, Mr. Armando M. Medina, Mr. Vaughn F. Montes, Ph.D., Mr. Melito S. Salazar, Jr., Mr. Juan B. Santos, and Atty. Adelita A. Vergel De Dios.*

The Chairperson

The Chairperson of the Board of Directors, Mrs. Helen Y. Dee, provides leadership in the Board of Directors. She ensures the effective functioning of the Board of Directors, including maintaining a relationship of trust with members of the Board of Directors.

To promote checks and balances, it is provided under the Bank's Corporate Governance Manual that the Chairperson of the Board of Directors shall be a non-executive director or an independent director, and must not have served as CEO of the Bank within the past three (3) years. Moreover, the Chairperson should not concurrently serve as CEO.

The Corporate Vice Chairman

The By-laws of the Bank provides that the Corporate Vice Chairman shall have such powers and perform such duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time prescribe. In the absence or inability of the Chairperson to act, the Corporate Vice Chairman will act in her stead, and will exercise any and all such powers and perform any and all duties pertaining to the office of the Chairperson conferred upon it by the By-laws. Mr. Cesar E.A. Virata is the Bank's Corporate Vice Chairman.

Meetings and Quorum Requirement

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors is every last Monday of the month at the principal office of RCBC. Should the meeting date fall on a holiday, the meeting shall be held at the same hour on the next succeeding business day. A majority of the incumbent Directors shall constitute a quorum at any meeting, and a majority of the members in attendance at any Board meeting shall decide its action.

The meetings of the Board of Directors may be conducted through modern technologies such as, but not limited to, teleconferencing and video conferencing as long as the director who is taking part in said meetings can actively participate in the deliberations on matters taken up therein. It is further required that every member shall participate in at least twenty-five percent (25%) of all meetings of the Board of Directors every year. The absence of a director in more than fifty percent (50%) of all regular and special meetings of the board of directors during his/her incumbency is a ground for disqualification in the succeeding election.

Meetings of board committees are prescribed in their respective charters. Participation of committee members may likewise be in person or through modern technologies. A director's attendance in committee meetings is considered by the Corporate Governance Committee in the assessment of the director's continuing fitness and propriety as a member of the said board-level committee and of the Board of Directors.

Non-executive directors are required to have separate periodic meetings with the external auditor and heads of the internal audit, compliance and risk functions, without any executive directors present to ensure that proper checks and balances are in place within the Bank.

From the period January to December 2017, the members' attendance at Board and Committee meetings are as follows:

DIRECTORS	BOARD		% BOARD	EXCOM		TRUST		TECH		PERC		ACC		ROC		CG		RPT		AML		TOTAL		% TOTAL
	M	A		M	A	M	A	M	A	M	A	M	A	M	A	M	A	M	A	M	A	M	A	
HELEN Y. DEE	17	15	88.24%	48	39			11	10	3	3											79	67	84.81%
CESAR E.A. VIRATA*	17	17	100.00%	48	45	12	11	11	9					8	8							96	90	93.75%
GIL A. BUENAVENTURA**	16	16	100.00%	48	45	12	12	11	8											3	2	90	83	92.22%
TZE CHING I. CHAN	17	13	76.47%																			17	13	76.47%
RICHARD G.A. WESTLAKE	17	16	94.12%											11	10							28	26	92.86%
YUH-SHING (FRANCIS) PENG	17	14	82.35%													12	7	10	8			39	29	74.36%
JOHN LAW	17	14	82.35%											11	8							28	22	78.57%
FLORENTINO M. HERRERA III	17	16	94.12%																	5	4	22	20	90.91%
ARMANDO M. MEDINA	17	15	88.24%	48	46	12	11	11	10									10	10	5	5	103	97	94.17%
MELITO S. SALAZAR, JR.	17	16	94.12%									26	25	11	9	12	9					66	59	89.39%
ADELITA A. VERGEL DE DIOS	17	12	70.59%									26	21			12	11	10	8			65	52	80.00%
JUAN B. SANTOS	17	16	94.12%			12	10							11	9			10	10			50	45	90.00%
LILIA R. BAUTISTA	17	17	100.00%	48	46																	65	63	96.92%
GABRIEL S. CLAUDIO***	17	15	88.24%													12	10	10	10	2	2	41	37	90.24%
VAUGHN F. MONTES	17	16	94.12%					11	10			26	24	11	11	12	12					77	73	94.81%

M = NUMBER OF MEETINGS

A = MEETINGS ATTENDED

* Resigned from ROC on 25 September 2017

** Resigned from AML on 30 October 2017

*** Appointed to AML Committee on 30 October 2017

Board Performance

The Corporate Governance Committee oversees the periodic evaluation of contribution and performance of the Board of Directors, board-level committees, and senior management. This exercise covers the assessment of the ongoing suitability of each member, taking into account his or her performance in the board of directors and board-level committees.

The Corporate Governance Committee decides the manner by which the Board's performance may be evaluated, and propose an objective performance criteria approved by the Board. The performance indicators determine how the Board has enhanced long-term shareholder value.

Board of Directors Training Program

The Corporate Governance Committee oversees the continuing education program for the Board of Directors. The Training Program for the members of the Board has been adopted in the Bank's Corporate Governance Manual.

Under the Bank's Corporate Governance Manual, all new directors must undergo proper orientation upon joining the Board. This ensures that new members are appropriately apprised of their duties and responsibilities before beginning their directorships. The orientation program covers SEC-mandated topics on corporate governance and an introduction to the Bank's business, Articles of Incorporation, and Code of Conduct. The Orientation Program is designed to meet the specific needs of the individual directors and aid any new director in effectively performing his or her functions.

In addition to the Orientation Program, first-time directors are required to attend a seminar on corporate governance following the BSP-prescribed syllabus. The directors are required to submit a certification of compliance of this requirement to BSP.

The members of the Board also undergo the Annual Continuing Training Program. The program covers courses on corporate governance, matters relevant to the company, including audit, internal controls, risk management, sustainability and strategy. The Board of Directors, through the Corporate Governance Committee, assesses its members' training and development needs in determining the coverage of the Annual Continuing Training Program. The directors are required to complete at least four hours of the Annual Continuing Training Program.

Remuneration of the Board

Remuneration of directors is commensurate with their contributions and scope of their responsibilities.

Executive directors do not receive any per diem for attendance in board and board committee meetings. They are entitled to remuneration and benefits by virtue of their being officers of the Bank.

Non-executive directors are entitled to reasonable per diem for attendance in board and board committee meetings. Non-executive directors receive a per diem of P35,000.00 for attendance in board meetings. The Audit and Risk Oversight Committee Chairmen receive P20,000.00 while members of the said committees receive P15,000.00 per diem for attendance in meetings. Per diem in other board committees is at no greater than P15,000.00 for the chairman and P10,000.00 for members.

The members of the Board of Directors, the Advisory Board, the Executive Committee and the Officers of the Bank are entitled to profit sharing bonus in accordance with the By-Laws of the Bank.

Remuneration Item	2017
(a) Per diem Allowance Non-Executive Directors, Independent Directors and members of the Advisory Board are entitled to per diem	Php13,895,000.00 (aggregate amount for NED's, ID's, for the Board and Committees for the year 2017)
(b) Directors' Bonuses Directors' bonuses are given to executive, non-executive and independent directors based on the formula provided for in the Bank's By-Laws.	N/A
TOTAL	Php13,895,000.00

Board Committees

The Board of Directors has delegated some of its functions to the following board-level committees:

1. Executive Committee

Composition:

Chairman and at least four (4) members of the Board of Directors

Members:

Helen Y. Dee - *Chairperson*
Gil A. Buenaventura
Cesar E.A. Virata
Armando M. Medina (ID)
Lilia R. Bautista (ID)

The Executive Committee has the power to act and pass upon such matters as the Board of Directors may entrust to it for action. However, matters affecting general policy are always referred to the Board of Directors for decision. The Executive Committee has the power to review an asset or loan to ensure timely recognition and resolution of impaired assets. In 2017, the Executive Committee:

- Discussed various issuances by regulatory agencies;
- Approved non-DOSRI loans that reach the Single Borrower's Limit (SBL);
- Evaluated and approved various operations/product manuals;
- Reviewed and endorsed for Board approval various management matters;
- Deliberated upon and approved various management matters within its approving authority.

2. Audit and Compliance Committee

Composition:

The Audit and Compliance Committee shall be composed of at least three (3) non-executive directors, majority of whom shall be independent including the Chairperson. The Chairperson should not be the Chairperson of the Board or of any other board-level committees. Members of the committee should have accounting, auditing or related financial management expertise or experience.

Members:

Melito S. Salazar, Jr. (ID) – *Chairperson*
 Vaughn F. Montes (ID)
 Adelita A. Vergel De Dios (ID)

The Audit and Compliance Committee assists the Board in oversight responsibilities on: (1) financial reporting framework (2) internal control system (3) internal audit function (4) external audit function (5) compliance function (6) implementation of corrective action and (6) investigation of significant issues or any matter within its terms of reference.

In 2017, work done include, but not limited, to the following:

- Performance of oversight functions over the internal and external auditors and ensuring that they acted independently from each other and both auditors were given unrestricted access to records, properties and personnel in the discharge of their functions.
- Review of audit reports of both internal and external auditors and engaging in discussions of the results of audits during Audit and Compliance Committee meetings to evaluate the adequacy and effectiveness of internal control system and risk management including financial reporting and information technology security. This also included the review of the annual and quarterly financial statements before submission to the Board and regulators focusing on the following matters:
 - Any changes in accounting policies and practices;
 - Significant adjustments arising from audit;
 - Compliance with accounting standards;
 - Compliance with tax, legal and regulatory requirements;
 - Going concern assumptions;
 - Major judgmental areas; and
 - Completeness of disclosures of material information including subsequent events and related party transactions.
- Review of the extent and scope, activities, staffing, resources and organizational structure of the Internal Audit function and approved the annual audit plan to ensure its conformity with the objectives of the Bank. This also included quarterly review of audit plan accomplishment / status including capacity and manpower complement.

- Review of the extent and scope, activities, staffing, resources and organizational structure of the Compliance Function.
- Review and approval of the annual testing plan and monitoring the status thereof.
- Review and approval of the Compliance Charter and Manual
- Review of the compliance reports of the Compliance Officer to assess compliance with laws, rules and regulations. This also included the review of findings of any examinations by regulatory agencies (e.g., BSP).
- Review of the Audit and Compliance Charter.
- Appointment of the Chief Compliance Officer and Chief Audit Executive.

3. Risk Oversight Committee

Composition:

The Risk Oversight Committee (ROC) shall be composed of at least three (3) members of the board of directors, majority of whom shall be independent directors, including the chairperson. The ROC's chairperson shall not be the chairperson of the board of directors, or any other board-level committee. The risk oversight committee shall possess a range of expertise and adequate knowledge on risk management issues and practices.

Members:

Vaughn F. Montes (ID) – Chairperson
 Melito S. Salazar, Jr. (ID) – Vice Chairperson
 Richard G.A. Westlake

Juan B. Santos (ID)¹
 Cesar E.A. Virata²

Observers:

John Law³
 Gil A. Buenaventura⁴

¹ Resigned effective January 29, 2018.

² Resigned effective September 4, 2017.

³ Appointed as observer effective January 29, 2018.

⁴ Appointed as observer effective January 29, 2018.

The highlights of the Risk Oversight Committee's actions in 2017 are as follows:

ROC Organizational Matters and General Risk Management

- Conduct of Self-Assessment of 2016 performance
- Oversight on preparation of the Annual Report's Risk & Capital Management section
- Notation and confirmation of accomplishments and plans of the various Risk Management groups
- Notation of significant BSP findings and the corresponding replies/actions taken by Management; notation of ROE required actions relating to risk management and approval of responses

- Notation of presentations on Cir. 969 & 971, and the gap analysis versus existing frameworks
- Approval of the amended ROC Charter
- Notation of the Enterprise Risk Management Framework
- Resolution to continuously review the enterprise risk management framework and manual

Enterprise Risk/ICAAP/Capital Management/Recovery Plan

- Approval of the inclusion of the approved proposals in the ICAAP and Recovery Plan Document for submission to the BSP
 - ICAAP projections for 2017-2019
 - Enterprise Risk Appetite/Tolerance Statement (RAS) thresholds for 2017
 - Liquidity triggers and recovery options
 - Amendments to the RCBC Communication Plan and the RCBC Recovery Plan Committee
- Notation of Capital Adequacy reports
- Notation of Economic Capital estimates for Credit, Market, and Operational Risks
- Notation of enterprise Risk Appetite/Tolerance Statement monitoring reports
- Notation of RAPM reports
- Notation of presentations on the Bank's capital plan
- Notation of the report on the bank's actual half year performance for 2017 versus projections
- Notation of the results of the Real Estate Stress Test (REST), and resolution to inform the BSP of the bank's breach in the REST limit and the measures it would adopt in response to the breach

Credit Risk

- Approval of Industry Exposure limits
- Notation of regular credit risk reports:
 - Credit Risk Portfolio monitoring reports
 - Tiered Pricing & Tiered RORA reports
 - Loan Portfolio RAROC reports
 - Reports on the Treasury Bond Portfolio
 - Loan Portfolio & Treasury Portfolio stress testing results
 - Various SEMS reports
 - Various Industry Review reports
 - Various Credit Management reports on account and portfolio review
 - The S&P Rating Model performance report
 - Various updates on the portfolio quality of Subsidiaries
- Oversight on the review of the Credit Risk Management Framework:
 - Notation of discussions on the Credit Risk Management Framework
 - Notation of discussions on the Credit Risk Policy Manual
 - Notation of updates on the Credit Risk Monitoring Framework
 - Approval of the revised composition of the Credit and Collection Committee
 - Approval of the proposal to increase Excom's credit authority up to regulatory SBL
 - Approval of the policy on Credit Delegated Authorities
 - Approval of the policy on credit authorities
 - Approval of adjusted delegated authority limits of Treasury and Wealth Management
 - Approval of amendments to the policy on validity of credit approvals
 - Approval of amendments to the policy on updating of financial information
 - Approval of amendments to the policy on collateral
 - Approval of amendments to the policy on trust receipts
 - Approval of amendments to the policy on LGUGC Guarantee
 - Approval of policies and procedures relating to the impairment testing of HTC investment security accounts

- Notation of the redevelopment and further enhancement of Bankard's credit scoring model
 - Approval of the RCBC Bankard restructuring program
 - Approval of revised approving authorities for credit card restructuring
 - Approval of amendments to the SEMS policy
- Oversight of Independent Credit Review
 - Approval of the Independent Credit Review manual
 - Notation of the independent credit review report on the top 35 loan accounts
 - Notation of the Emerging Corporates Segment loan portfolio review
- Notation of updated ECL results

Market & Liquidity Risk

- Approval of Treasury's position and risk limits for 2017
- Approval of the following revised limits:
 - Revised MCO limits, and the proposed second tier limit scheme
 - Request to temporarily increase the bond futures product limit and the risk limits of the foreign currency portfolio, and notation of its return
 - Request to increase the MCO limit of the foreign currency book
- Notation of the temporary assignment of higher authorities/limits
- Approval of the revised Contingency Funding Plan (CFP)
- Confirmation of ALCO actions on disposition of various limit breaches
- Notation of regular Market & Liquidity Risk reports
- Notation of the discussion on the pre-settlement factors for 2018, and resolution to have a memo containing the models, assumptions, methodologies, and the implications circulated to the ROC
- Notation of BSP Circular 981, and resolution to conduct a gap analysis vs. existing frameworks

Trust Risk

- Notation of regular Trust Risk Management reports
- Approval of revisions to the Trust Risk Policy Manual
- Approval of amendments in TIG approving authorities and credit approval limits

Operational Risk

- Approval of revisions to the ORM Guidelines/Framework
- Approval of the Enterprise-Level Operational Risk Appetite Statement (RAS)
- Approval of revised Operational Risk Control and Mitigation guidelines
- Approval of revised bank-wide operational risk KRIs and thresholds
- Oversight of general AML matters:
 - Notation of AML RCSA results
 - Approval of AML and OGB KRI thresholds
 - Notation of AML KRI monitoring reports
- Notation of the business center RCSA results
- Notation of KRI monitoring reports
- Notation of Loss Event reports
- Notation of the assignment of a 5% weight in the KRA of DOROs
- Oversight of risk issues with RCBC's international 24x7 operations, with the resolution to rationalize roles and responsibilities, and ensure that an officer of adequate qualification/s is always present and accountable
- Oversight of risk issues concerning RCBC's CSMES Ortigas Lending Center
- Notation of discussions regarding the Policies and Procedures Circulars Clearing House
- Notation of the renewal of the D&O insurance for 2017-2018
- Oversight of discussions concerning Comprehensive Crime Insurance/Bankers Blanket Bond

- Notation of various subsidiary reports

IT & Information Security

- Approval of the revised Information Security Charter
- Notation of status updates on various major projects
- Notation of reports on top IT risks and Information Security priorities, with their mitigation status
- Notation of regular reports on InfoSec KRIs
- Notation of incident reports and reports on other significant events relating IT & InfoSec Risk
- Notation of observations/findings regarding the InfoSec RCSA, and APPROVED proposed changes to the RCSA process
- Approval of enhanced Protection of Electronic Document Policy

Fraud Management

- Notation of the EFMD work plan for 2017
- Approval of amendments to the Enterprise Fraud Management framework
- Endorsement of the EFMD manual for Board approval
- Notation of updates on the rollout of EFMS fraud rules
- Approval of changes in the issuance of Bank Guarantees/Domestic Standby LCs
- Notation of various fraud incident reports and fraud management updates

Business Continuity Management

- Approval of the Incident Management Framework
- Approval of the Institutional Business Continuity Plan for cyber-attacks
- Notation of presentations on existing BCPs and related plans for system glitches & cyber-attacks
- Approval of the revised Crisis Management Plan & Institutional Business Continuity Plan
- Notation of Incident Management and DR/BCP exercise assessment reports, and other updates

Compliance Risk

- Approval of the RCBC Data Privacy Policy
- Notation of FATCA updates

Anti-Money Laundering

- Oversight on the review and cleanup of high risk accounts
- Approval of transaction thresholds for high risk accounts
- Oversight of Project Sentinel – OGB Task Force ring-fencing program, including:
 - Approval of Online Gaming Business (OGB) KRIs

Strategic Risk

- Notation of introductory presentations on FinTech

Consumer Protection

- Notation of reports on consumer complaints, the passbook out of balance issue, and other consumer protection issues

Reputation Risk

- Approval of the RCBC Social Media Risk Management Policy
- Notation of updates on the Social Media Risk Management Framework
- Notation of the incident report on the PMCJ rally

4. The Corporate Governance Committee

Composition:

At least four (4) members of the board of directors who shall all be non-executive directors, majority of whom shall be independent directors, including the chairperson, with (1) one member representing the minority shareholders.

Members:

Adelita A. Vergel de Dios (ID) – *chairperson*

Vaughn F. Montes (ID)

Gabriel S. Claudio (ID)

Yuh-Shing (Francis) Peng

Melito S. Salazar, Jr. (ID)*

*Resigned effective January 29, 2018.

The Corporate Governance Committee assists the Board of Directors in fulfilling its corporate governance responsibilities. The highlights of the actions of the Corporate Governance Committee in 2017 are as follows:

- Reviewed and endorsed for Board approval the Bank's Corporate Governance Manual;
- Approval of the Annual Corporate Governance Report (ACGR) and the PSE Corporate Governance Disclosure Template;
- Monitored the Bank's implementation of the recommendations of the International Finance Corporation (IFC) on corporate governance;
- Engaged KPMG to conduct third-party validation of the effectiveness of the adoption and implementation of IFC's corporate governance standards;
- Exercised oversight on the nomination process for members of the Board of Directors and for positions requiring board approval;
- Ensured the implementation of the training program for the members of the Board of Directors;
- Facilitated the performance evaluation process of the Board of Directors, the individual members, the Chairperson and the CEO;
- Reviewed and endorsed for Board approval the interlocking positions of directors and officers;
- Exercised oversight on the Bank's Performance Management Framework;
- Exercised oversight on the Bank's succession plan for the CEO and senior executives;
- Enhanced disclosures by ensuring that gaps identified in ASEAN Corporate Governance Scorecard are addressed.

5. The Related Party Transactions Committee**Composition:**

The Related Party Transactions (RPT) Committee shall be composed of at least three (3) members of the board of directors, two (2) of whom shall be independent directors, including the chairperson. The Committee shall at all times be entirely composed of independent directors and non-executive directors, with independent directors comprising majority of the members.

Members:

Adelita A. Vergel De Dios (ID)¹ – *Chairperson*

Gabriel S. Claudio (ID)
Yuh-Shing (Francis) Peng

Armando M. Medina (ID)²
Juan B. Santos (ID)³

¹Replaced Armand M. Medina as chairperson effective January 29, 2018.

²Resigned effective January 29, 2018.

³Resigned effective January 29, 2018

The RPT Committee assists the Board in ensuring that transactions with related parties are handled in a sound and prudent manner, with integrity, and in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. In 2017, the RPT Committee fulfilled its mandate under its charter particularly on the review and disclosure of material related party transactions. Work done by the Committee in 2017 includes the following:

- Review of related party transactions with a threshold amount of Php10,000.00 and above and those that require Board approval, i.e., DOSRI loans, to ensure that such transactions are not undertaken on more favorable economic terms to such related parties than similar transactions with non-related parties under similar circumstances;
- Oversaw the filing of required reports under BSP Circular No. 895, as amended, i.e., Report on Conglomerate Structure and Report on Material Related Party Transactions.

6. The Anti-Money Laundering Committee

Composition:

Three (3) directors, majority of which are independent directors including the chairperson.

Members:

Gabriel S. Claudio (ID)¹ – *Chairperson*
Florentino M. Herrera III
Vaughn F. Montes²

Gil A. Buenaventura³

Armando M. Medina (ID)⁴

¹Appointed as member on October 30, 2017, and Chairperson on January 29, 2018.

²Appointed as member on January 29, 2018.

³Appointed as observer effective October 30, 2017.

⁴Resigned effective January 29, 2018.

The AML Committee assists the Board of Directors in its mandate to fully comply with the Anti-Money Laundering Act, as amended, its Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations and the Anti-Money Laundering Regulations under the Manual of Regulations for Banks (MORB); and to ensure that oversight on the Bank's compliance management is adequate. Its specific duties and responsibilities include:

Client Profiling

- To review and approve the AML client risk profiling model and changes thereto;
- To review and note changes in the risk profiles of clients, i.e., downgrading from high risk to normal or low risk, and upgrading from low risk to normal or high risk;
- To review and approve changes in the sensitivity of watch list name screening on Base60;

STR Reporting

- To note the suspicious transaction reports filed pursuant to the approval of the AML Management Committee;

Alerts Monitoring

- To approve changes in alert scenarios, rules, parameters and thresholds in AML alert management and transaction monitoring systems;
- To review and approve reports on transactions disposed as false positive;

Disposition of Issues

- To review and recommend actions for AML critical issues;
- To review and approve reports on transactions disposed via Triage;
- To review and note closure of accounts;

Compliance Testing and Monitoring

- To review and approve AML compliance risk assessment;
- To review and approve the annual testing plan and changes thereto;
- To review the findings of Compliance Testing for AML and approve sanctions to be imposed as a result of such findings;
- To monitor and oversee timely compliance and responses to BSP/AMLC findings on regular or special examination in relation to AML.

Policy and Manuals

- To review the Bank's MLPP for the approval of the Board of Directors;
- To review and approve the Manuals on the following:
 - a. System;
 - b. Alerts
 - c. Policy;
 - d. Testing

Others

- To review and approve training plan for the Board and bank employees on AML;
- To note the Covered Transactions Reports;
- To note the AML risk indicators set by the Risk Oversight Committee;
- To confirm minutes of the AML Management Committee;
- To monitor the status of requests for information by the regulators, *i.e.*, BSP and AMLC.

7. The Trust Committee

Composition:

At least five (5) members including (i) the president or any senior officer of the bank and (ii) the trust officer. The remaining committee members, including the chairman, may be any of the following: (i) non-executive directors or independent directors who are not part of the Audit Committee or (ii) those considered as qualified independent professionals, provided that in case there are more than five (5) Trust Committee members, the majority shall be composed of qualified non-executive members

Members:

Juan B. Santos (ID) – chairperson
Cesar E.A. Virata
Gil A. Buenaventura
Armando M. Medina (ID)¹
Lourdes M. Ferrer

Lilia R. Bautista (ID)²

¹Resigned effective January 29, 2018.

²Appointed as member on January 29, 2018.

The Trust Committee is a special committee which reports directly to the Board of Directors and is primarily responsible for overseeing the fiduciary activities of the Bank. Its activities in 2017 include the following:

- Approval of new policies and guidelines
 - Inclusion of the definition of Legislated and Quasi-Judicial Trust in the Trust Policy Manual (TPM)
 - Revision of TPM on the definition of Safekeeping based on the FRPTI;
 - Revision of policy on inter-account transactions to provide the procedure on cascading among the portfolio managers of the assets available for sale or inter-account transfers
 - Revision of Trust Operations Manual to incorporate additional internal controls and/or reconciliation procedures to ensure accuracy of regulatory reports and timely detection and correction of errors, if any.
 - Revision of Trust Risk Manual to include provision on validation and reporting of RCSA results
 - Revision of Rizal UITF Online Facility Guidelines
 - Revised policies on records management and retention for Trust and Investment Group (TIG);
 - Revision of various policies related to AMLA requirements for Trust accounts (FATCA supplemental form)
 - Policy on validation of client's address in lieu of sending thank you letters
 - Revised Self-Assessment Forms for the Trust Committee
 - Guidelines on the periodic review of directed equity investments
 - Policy revision allowing non-residents to invest in the Rizal Peso fixed income funds
 - Policy on handling discretionary and non-discretionary accounts
 - Updating of guidelines and procedures for e-submission of BSP requirements;
 - Revision of Trust Operations Manual on the reinforcement and inclusion of additional controls over the quarterly preparation and submission of Financial Reporting Package for Trust Institutions (FRPTI)
 - Streamlining of procedures and guidelines on the closure/termination of accounts
 - Guidelines on provisioning for financial assets of TIG
 - Amendment of credit approval limits of TIG
 - Revisions on the administrative review policies and guidelines
 - Revised Trust Committee Charter
- Conducted oversight of trust business
 - Review of Trust performance for 2017
 - Approval of Trust business plans for 2018
 - Approval of the Audited Financial Statements of TIG and the Rizal UITFs for 2016 (February 2017)
 - Discussions on the results of the Self-Assessment of the Trust Committee for 2016
 - Review of monthly financial performance of Trust for 2017
 - Discussions of impact of new regulations issued on the trust business
 - Review of industry landscape and trends (quarterly)
 - Monthly review of status of trust loan portfolio and past due loans
 - Annual status report on ROPAs held by Trust
 - Performance review of accounts (February 2017)
 - Administrative review of accounts (Year-round as presented by management)
 - Report on compliance with client prescribed limits (quarterly)

- Monthly review of pre-need assets
 - Discussions on the monthly market updates and investment strategies of Trust
 - Product development efforts for 2017
 - Discussions on accounts opened and closed on a monthly basis together with new mandates obtained
 - Review of organization structure, succession plan for Trust and other HR matters
 - Discussions on the implementation of PFRS9 by January 1, 2018
- Evaluation and approval of management recommendations on the investment and disposition of funds or properties held in trust
 - Approval of lines for local financial institutions (November and December 2017)
 - Approval of lines of foreign financial institutions (July 2017)
 - Accreditation of stockbrokers (Sept 2017)
 - Approval of credit lines for corporate borrowers and bond issuers (as necessary)
 - Approval of the list of investment outlets for various accounts (as necessary)
 - Approval of various issues (bonds, IPOs and preferred shares) offered in the market
 - Approval of list of equity issues (September 2017)
 - Management of risks in the conduct of the trust business
 - Monthly discussions and review of various risk management reports (market risk, credit risk, operational risk, reputation risk, strategic risk, legal risk)
 - Discussions on incident reports and issues affecting Trust
 - Monitoring of the proper implementation of approved policies and guidelines
 - Review of compliance with applicable laws and regulations
 - Development of systems to enhance productivity and customer service
 - Updates on regulatory developments affecting the Trust business

8. The Technology Committee

Composition:

At least three (3) members of the Board of Directors.

Members:

Helen Y. Dee – *Chairperson*

Cesar E.A. Virata

Gil A. Buenaventura

Armando M. Medina (ID)*

Vaughn F. Montes (ID)*

*Resigned effective January 29, 2018.

The Technology Committee exercises authority over all IT Project Steering Committees of the various RCBC Business Groups and subsidiaries (The Group), with the principal purpose of assisting the Board in fulfilling the following oversight responsibilities:

- Approves major IT investments.
- Manages and aligns IT initiatives across the Group.
- Reviews status of major projects.
- Prioritizes IT initiatives, when warranted.
- Evaluates emerging IT solutions for use of the Group.
- Reviews and resolves IT risks and other IT related issues raised in the TechCom.
- Ensures compliance to BSP rules and regulations relating to Information Technology.

9. The Personnel Evaluation and Review Committee

Composition:

A Chairperson, who shall be a member of the Board of Directors, and other members who may either be directors or senior management officers of RCBC. The Head of the Internal Audit Group shall sit during meetings as a resource person.

Members:

Helen Y. Dee – Chairperson
Rowena F. Subido – Head, Human Resources Group
Jonathan C. Diokno – Head, Retail Banking Group
Margarita B. Lopez – Head, Operations Group and Digital Banking Group
Florentino M. Madonza- Head, Controllership Group
Regino V. Magno* – Head, Business Risk Group
George Gilbert G. Dela Cuesta – Head, Legal Affairs Group

*Retired on February 25, 2018

The Personnel Evaluation and Review Committee is created by the Board of Directors for the following purposes:

- To act as an independent body in the evaluation and review of cases involving dishonesty, fraud, negligence or violation of any internal Bank policy, rule or procedure committed by an RCBC employee resulting to an actual or potential loss to the Bank of at least One Million Pesos (Php1,000,000.00).
- To ensure that the appropriate preventive, corrective and disciplinary measures are imposed on cases involving dishonesty, fraud, negligence or violation of any internal Bank policy, rule or procedure committed by an RCBC employee.
- Such other purposes as may be necessary in the performance and discharge of its functions.

Advisory Board

The Bank has an Advisory Board that provides informed guidance to the Board of Directors. Members of the Advisory Board are appointed by the Board of Directors. They do not have any voting rights but contribute by way of providing non-binding but relevant advice during board meetings. While the By-Laws allow for up to 10 members in the Advisory Board, the Bank has 3 appointed Advisory Board members. Each of these members is considered as business leaders and is of known probity and integrity. The members of the Advisory Board are Atty. Lilia B. De Lima (as Independent Member), Mr. Francis C. Laurel and Ms. Yvonne S. Yuchengco.

Shareholdings in the Company

As of December 31, 2017, only the following stockholders own more than 5% of RCBC's common stock:

Title of Class	Name, Address of record owner and relationship with Issuer	Name of Beneficial Owner and Relationship with Record Owner	Citizenship	Number of Shares Held	Percent (%)
Common	Pan Malayan Management & Investment Corporation	Pan Malayan Management & Investment Corporation	Filipino	594,248,081 *	42.45%

Title of Class	Name, Address of record owner and relationship with Issuer	Name of Beneficial Owner and Relationship with Record Owner	Citizenship	Number of Shares Held	Percent (%)
	Address: 48/F Yuchengco Tower, RCBC Plaza 6819 Ayala Avenue Makati City Relationship with issuer: RCBC is a subsidiary of PMMIC	<i>The records in the possession of the Bank show that the beneficial ownership of this company belong to the shareholders of record of said company. The Bank has not been advised otherwise.</i>			
Common	Cathay Life Insurance Corporation Address: 296 Ren Ai Road Sec4 Taipei 10633 Taiwan R.O.C. Relationship with Issuer: Stockholder		Non-Filipino	326,929,297	23.35%
Common	International Finance Corporation (IFC) & IFC Capitalization (Equity) Fund, L.P. Address: 2121 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20433 USA Relationship with Issuer: Stockholder		Non-Filipino	71,151,505	5.08%

The following **directors and officers** directly and indirectly own shares in RCBC:

Title of Class	Name of Beneficial Owner	Amount and nature of record / beneficial ownership		Citizenship	Percent of Class (%)
		Par Amount	Nature		
Directors					
Common	Helen Y. Dee	10,116,790	R / B	Filipino	0.07
Common	Gil A. Buenaventura	50	R / B	Filipino	0.00

Common	Cesar E.A. Virata	1,001,670	R / B	Filipino	0.01
Common	Lilia R. Bautista	50	R	Filipino	0.00
Common	Vaughn F. Montes	50	R	Filipino	0.00
Common	Florentino M. Herrera III	34,670	R / B Filipino	Filipino	0.00
Common	Richard G.A. Westlake	10	R	New Zealander	0.00
Common	Tze Ching Chan	10	R	Chinese	0.00
Common	Yu - Shing Peng	10	R	R.O.C. Taiwan	0.00
Common	Armando M. Medina	1,950	R	Filipino	0.00
Common	John Law	10	R	French	0.00
Common	Gabriel S. Claudio	10	R	Filipino	0.00
Common	Melito S. Salazar Jr.	10	R	Filipino	0.00
Common	Adelita A. Vergel de Dios	10	R	Filipino	0.00
Common	Juan B. Santos	50	R	Filipino	0.00
	Subtotal	11,155,350			
Executive Officers					
Common	Evelyn Nolasco	27,000	B	Filipino	0.00
	Subtotal	27,000			
	TOTAL	11,182,350			

Shareholders' Rights and Protection of Minority Stockholders' Interest

The Bank respects the rights of the stockholders as provided for in the Corporation Code; namely:

1. Right to vote on all matters that require their consent or approval;
2. Right to inspect the books and records of the Bank;
3. Right to information;
4. Right to dividends; and
5. Appraisal right.

It is the duty of the Board to promote the rights of the stockholders, remove impediments to the exercise of those rights and provide an adequate avenue for them to seek timely redress for breach of their rights, *i.e.*, any shareholder or group of shareholders with at least five percent (5%) share of the total outstanding shares of the company shall be allowed to propose any relevant item for inclusion in the agenda for the meeting.

Right to Nominate Candidates for Board of Directors

The By-Laws of the Bank allows to all shareholders, including minority stockholders, the right to nominate candidates for the Board of Directors.

Voting Right

The Board shall be transparent and fair in the conduct of the annual and special stockholders' meetings of the Bank. The stockholders shall be encouraged to personally attend such meetings.

In case the stockholders cannot attend the annual and special stockholders' meetings, they shall be apprised ahead of time of their right to appoint a proxy. Subject to the requirements of the by-laws, the exercise of that right shall not be unduly restricted and any doubt about the validity of a proxy shall be resolved in the stockholders' favor.

The Board shall take the appropriate steps to remove excessive costs and other administrative impediments to the stockholders' participation in meetings, whether in person or by proxy. Accurate and timely information shall be made available to the stockholders to enable them to make a sound judgment on all matters brought to their attention for consideration or approval.

Stockholders shall have the right to elect, remove and replace directors and vote on certain corporate acts in accordance with the Corporation Code.

A director shall not be removed without cause if it shall deny minority stockholders representation in the Board.

Conduct of Shareholders' Meeting

Stockholders are encouraged to personally attend shareholders' meetings. In case the stockholders cannot attend the annual and special stockholders' meetings, they are apprised ahead of time of their right to appoint a proxy. Accurate and timely information is made available to the stockholders to enable them to make a sound judgment on all matters brought to their attention for consideration or approval. Stockholders are allowed to pose questions and/or raise matters in person during the meeting and are addressed by the Chairperson, members of the Board and/or management.

The last Annual Stockholders' Meeting was held on June 27, 2017. The Bank hired an independent party, Punongbayan & Araullo, to count and validate votes cast at the said meeting. Proper and timely disclosures were made immediately after the ASM. Results of the meeting as well as minutes thereof are available in the Bank's website.

Right to Inspection

All stockholders shall be allowed to inspect corporate books and records including minutes of Board meetings and stock registries in accordance with the Corporation Code and shall be furnished with annual reports, including financial statements, without cost or restrictions.

Right to Information

The stockholders shall be provided, upon request, with periodic reports which disclose personal and professional information about the directors and officers and certain other matters such as their holdings of the Bank's shares, dealing with the Bank, relationships among directors and key officers, and the aggregate compensation of directors and officers.

The minority stockholders shall be granted the right to propose the holding of a meeting, and the right to propose items in the agenda of the meeting, provided the items are for legitimate business purposes.

The minority stockholders shall have access to any and all information relating to matters for which the management is accountable for and to those relating to matters for which the management shall include such information and, if not included, then the minority stockholders shall be allowed to propose to include such matters in the agenda of stockholders' meeting, being within the definition of "legitimate purposes".

Dividend Policy

Article XI, Section 1 of the By-Laws of the Bank, provides that dividends shall be declared and paid out of the surplus profits of the Bank as often and at such times as the Board of Directors may determine after making provisions for the necessary reserves in accordance with law and the regulations of the Central Bank of the Philippines.

As a policy, management shall determine the amount of dividends to be declared and present the recommendation for the declaration of the same to the Board of Directors for approval. If it has stipulated dividend payment obligations, the Bank shall declare dividends in accordance with its commitment.

The Bank ensures compliance with pre-requisites set by the BSP for the declaration of dividends.

The net amount available for dividends is also in accordance with the formula provided under § X136.3 of the BSP's Manual of Regulations for Banks, as follows:

Amount of unrestricted or free earned surplus and undivided profits less:

- a. Bad debts against which valuation reserves are not required by the BSP to be set up;
- b. Unbooked valuation reserves, and other unbooked capital adjustments required by the BSP, whether or not allowed to be set up on a staggered basis;
- c. Deferred income tax;
- d. Accumulated profits not yet received but already recorded by a bank representing its share in profits of its subsidiaries under the equity method of accounting;
- e. Accrued interest as required to be excluded pursuant to Item "d" of Subsec. X305.4, net of booked valuation reserves on accrued interest receivable or allowance for uncollectible interest on loans; and
- f. Foreign exchange profit arising from revaluation of foreign exchange denominated accounts.

For purposes of the subsection, any balance of *Paid-in Surplus* account may be included in the amount available for stock dividends.

Appraisal Right

The stockholders shall have appraisal right or the right to dissent and demand payment of the fair value of their shares in the manner provided for under Section 82 of the Corporation Code of the Philippines.

Investor Relations Program

The Board shall commit at all times to fully disclose material information dealings. It shall cause the timely filling of all required information for the interest of its shareholders and other stakeholders. The reports or disclosures required under this Manual shall be prepared and submitted to the SEC and Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE) by the responsible committee or officer through the Bank's Compliance Officer. Material Information emanating from the Board of Directors shall be disclosed and the responsibility of the Corporate Information Officer (CIO). The CIO shall be responsible for efficiency providing information and addressing concerns of its shareholders and other stakeholders through the Bank webpage which provides complete information about the Bank in a form that is user-friendly.

Transactions between related parties shall be disclosed to include the nature of the related party relationship as well as information about the transactions and outstanding balances necessary for an understanding of the potential effect of the relationship of the financial statements.

All material information about the Bank, *i.e.*, anything that could adversely affect share price, shall be publicly disclosed. Such information and/or transactions shall include, among others, earnings results, acquisition or disposal of significant assets, related party transactions, board membership changes, shareholdings of directors and officers and any changes thereto, and such material events or information which are required to be disclosed pursuant to the SRC and its Implementing Rules and Regulations.

Other information that shall always be disclosed includes remuneration (including stock options) of all directors and senior management, corporate strategy, and off balance sheet transactions.

All disclosed information shall be released via the approved and established stock exchange procedure for corporate announcements as well as through the annual report.

The governance of the bank shall be adequately transparent to its shareholders and other stakeholders.

The Bank shall designate authorized signatories and alternates for disclosures. All disclosures or information state or relayed by the authorized signatory shall be presumed to have been made with the approval of the Chairman of the board, and principal officers of the Bank. The officers, including the signatories and their alternates, shall be responsible and liable for the truthfulness of the disclosures.

Other Stakeholders

Creditors' Rights

It is the policy of the Bank to conduct its business in an efficient and fair manner in order for it to meet its contractual obligations to its depositors, subordinated debt noteholders, and service providers. In the event of any liquidation or bankruptcy proceeding, such creditors have preference over the assets of the Bank in accordance with Philippine laws on preference of credits.

As a listed company, the Bank discloses, either through its website or the required stock exchanges, the relevant terms and conditions of their investment and fund-raising activities.

Supplier/Contractor Selection and Criteria

The Bank has a board-approved Policy on Outsourcing in accordance with BSP Circular No. 765 re: "Revised Outsourcing Framework for Banks." The Bank's policy provides for guidelines, processes, and controls in managing outsourcing risks. The Bank is required under the policy and in accordance with the BSP Circular to conduct due diligence on service providers to ensure their integrity, technical expertise, operational capability, financial capacity, and suitability to perform the outsourced activity.

In certain cases as permitted by law and regulations, the supplier/contractor selection process is being handled by House of Investments, Inc. (HOI), an affiliate of the Bank.

HOI's Procurement Shared Services has the following policies:

- a. Code of Ethics for Procurement
- b. Code of Ethics for Suppliers
- c. Supplier Management
- d. Policies in Choosing a Supplier
- e. Procurement Process
- f. Contract Management
- g. Manual Structure, Use, Revisions/Amendments
- h. Early Involvement in Procurement

Suppliers are evaluated based on compliance with user requirements, quality, performance record in the industry, technical competence, customer service, design, delivery, dependability. Accreditation of new suppliers is based on recommendations of procurement heads or officers and is evaluated and approved by the HOI's PSS Manager and General Manager. Accredited suppliers are likewise subject to performance evaluation.

Environmentally-friendly Value Chain

The Bank has adopted its Policy on Social and Environmental Management System in order to promote sustainable practices for both the Bank and its clients that will mutually enhance profitability, and minimize any negative environmental, social and reputation impacts of the Bank's financing activities and its clients' operation, and to encourage loan borrowers to adhere to the preservation and development of the natural, social, and cultural environment which will redound to their own company's best interest .

The Policy applies to borrowers of the Bank whose business operations/projects have environmental impacts and risks that should be managed in an on-going basis in relation to the environmental and social concerns of the Bank. In addition to the regular credit evaluation process, review/evaluation of all credit application/proposal for project/s for financing shall also consider social & environmental requirements such as the International Finance Corporation (IFC) Exclusion List, applicable national laws on environment, health, safety and social issues and any standards established therein; and IFC Performance Standards. Environmental risk categories are assigned and credit approval obtained in accordance with requirements depending on the risk category. Environmental covenants are incorporated in the Loan/Credit Agreement, and periodically evaluated and monitored.

Internal Control

Effective internal control is the foundation of safe and sound banking. It reduces the possibility of significant errors and irregularities, and in the event of occurrence, said internal control assists in timely detection. A properly designed and consistently enforced system of operational and financial internal controls helps the Bank's Board of Directors and Management to safeguard the Bank's resources, produce reliable financial reports and comply with applicable laws and regulations.

The Bank has established an effective internal control system to ensure that the Bank is managed and controlled in a sound and prudent manner. It includes the following critical components:

- **Control Environment**

Control environment is the framework under which internal controls are developed, implemented and monitored. It consists of the mechanisms and arrangements that ensure internal and external risks to which the company is exposed to are identified, and appropriate and effective internal controls are developed and implemented to manage said risks soundly.

The control environment emanates from the Board of Directors and reflects Management's commitment to internal controls. In line with this, the Management has ensured the strategic implementation of internal controls that provide for an organizational structure that establishes clear lines of authority and responsibility for monitoring adherence to prescribed policies, effective risk assessment, timely and accurate financial and regulatory reports, and adequate procedures to safeguard and manage the Bank's assets.

- **Risk Assessment**

Risk assessment is the identification and analysis of relevant inherent and residual risks and the corresponding control mechanisms that can adversely affect the achievement of the Bank's objectives. The assessment helps determine the adequacy and effectiveness of control mechanisms in mitigating risks and the strengths and weaknesses of the risk environment.

The Corporate Risk Management Services Group (CRISMS) has come up with a Risk Management Manual which provides a detailed discussion on each type of risk including the identification, measurement and management of risks.

The assessment of control mechanisms in managing inherent and residual risks by the business units is an effective risk engine in the risk management process. By determining and assessing the risks involved in banking operations, the Bank can decide what types of controls are needed and how they should be managed.

- Control Activities

Control activities refer to the policies and procedures designed to help ensure that all bank personnel are properly guided by the control measures established by the Bank. Control activities form an integral part of the daily activities of the Bank. An effective internal control system requires that appropriate control mechanisms are set up, with control activities defined at every business level. In this regard, the Bank has ensured that control activities, which are directed through policies and procedures, are designed and implemented to address the risks involved in banking operations.

The control activities implemented by the Bank include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. Establishing approvals and authorization for transactions and activities;
- b. Reconciliation;
- c. Review of operating performance and exception reports;
- d. Establishing safeguards or physical controls for use of assets and records;
- e. Segregation of duties to reduce a person's opportunity to commit and conceal fraud or errors;
- f. Requirement on mandatory leaves;
- g. Rotation of duties; and
- h. Number control

- Management Reporting System

Another element in an effective internal control program involves accurate accounting and comprehensive information and communication systems that are relevant to decision-making. These systems not only capture information and generate necessary reports, but also enable all personnel to understand their roles in the overall control system, how their activities relate to others, and their accountability for the activities they conduct.

- Monitoring Activities and Correcting Deficiencies

Monitoring activities entails assessing the quality of performance over time and making any necessary modifications to correct any deficiencies.

The overall effectiveness of the Bank's internal controls is monitored on an ongoing basis. In view of changing internal and external conditions, Management continually monitors and evaluates the Bank's internal control system to ensure that these are adequate and continue to function properly. Periodic assessment and evaluation of control mechanisms used in managing risks are conducted by the business units in coordination with internal audit, risk management and other support units. Internal control deficiencies, whether identified by business units, internal audit or other control personnel, are reported in a timely manner to the appropriate management level so that the same can be addressed immediately.

Internal control is the responsibility of all employees of the Bank. Everyone in the organization is responsible in ensuring that the internal control measures being adopted by the organization are properly and strictly enforced and are effectively operational. The channels of communication have ensured that all employees fully understand and adhere to policies and procedures affecting their work, and that other relevant information is properly communicated to the appropriate personnel. Likewise, the Bank's internal audit, risk management unit and external audit provide an objective, independent review of bank activities, internal controls and management information systems to

help the Board of Directors and the Management monitor and evaluate internal control adequacy and effectiveness.

Compliance Function

The compliance function of the Bank facilitates the effective management of compliance risks or risks of legal or regulatory sanctions, material financial loss, or loss to reputation that a bank may suffer as a result of its failure to comply with laws, rules, related self-regulatory organization standards, and codes of conduct applicable to its activities.

The Compliance Function is discharged by the Regulatory Affairs Group (RAG) headed by the Chief Compliance Officer (CCO). The RAG is a separate and independent unit with no business function. It reports to the Board of Directors through the Audit and Compliance Committee and the AML Committee.

The Regulatory Affairs Group shall facilitate the effective management of compliance risks by:

- a. Advising the board of directors and senior management on relevant laws, rules and standards, including keeping them informed on developments in the area;
- b. Apprising Bank personnel on compliance issues, and acting as a contact point within the Bank for compliance queries from its personnel;
- c. Establishing written guidance to staff on the appropriate implementation of laws, rules and standards through policies and procedures and other documents such as compliance manuals, internal codes of conduct and practice guidelines;
- d. Identifying, documenting and assessing the compliance risks associated with the Bank's business activities, including new products and business units;
- e. Assessing the appropriateness of the Bank's compliance procedures and guidelines, promptly following up any identified deficiencies, and where necessary, formulating proposals for amendments;
- f. Monitoring and testing compliance by performing sufficient and representative compliance testing; and
- g. Maintaining a constructive working relationship with the BSP and other regulators.

The functions of the RAG are discharged by the following divisions which are under the direct supervision of the CCO:

- a. The Regulatory Affairs Divisions (RADs) performs horizon scanning and impact assessment of new regulations and market trends, and the embedding of rules and regulations to the Bank's policies, procedures, and controls.
- b. The Anti-Money Laundering and Fraud Management Division (AFMD) is responsible for the monitoring, analysis, disposition and investigation of AML and fraud alerts; reporting of possible suspicious transactions and detected fraud; monitoring filing of reports on crimes and losses; filing of covered transactions report and suspicious transactions report; preparing and recommending new policies; recommending new or updating AML and fraud alert rules; and, maintaining Base60 and Predator parameters.
- c. The Testing and Monitoring Division (TMD) is responsible for the identification, assessment and monitoring of compliance risks and level of compliance of the different business lines, products and services with the relevant regulations governing banks.

- d. The Standards and Resource Management Division (SRMD) shall serve as support to the overall operations of RAG. Functions include project management for key compliance projects; dissemination and reporting of regulatory issuances; planning, and administrative matters

Internal Audit

The Bank has in place an independent internal audit function headed by the Chief Audit Executive (CAE) who functionally reports to the Audit and Compliance Committee.

The scope of work of Internal Audit encompasses the examination and evaluation of all business systems, processes, operation, function and activities within the Bank including functions that are outsourced, its subsidiaries and branches. Such scope of work determines the adequacy and effectiveness of the Bank's risk management, control and governance process to provide reasonable assurance that:

- Risks are appropriately identified and managed in the context of current and potential risks;
- Interaction with various groups occurs as needed;
- Programs, plan and objectives are achieved;
- Resources are acquired economically, used efficiently and protected adequately;
- Quality and continuous improvement are fostered in the Bank's control process;
- Significant financial, managerial and operating information is accurate, reliable and timely;
- Employees' actions including performance of trading activities are in compliance with policies, standards, procedures and applicable laws and regulations;
- Significant legislative or regulatory issues impacting the Bank are appropriately recognized and addressed including areas of interest to regulators such as, among others monitoring of compliance with relevant laws, rules and regulations, including but not limited to the assessment of the adequacy of capital and provisions; liquidity level; regulatory and internal reporting;
- Management and financial information system including the electronic information system and electronic banking services are reliable and effective and resulting data has integrity.

The Internal Audit subscribes to and complies with all applicable professional standards and code of ethics, including the Institute of Internal Auditors – "International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing," Information Systems Audit and Control Association and the relevant requirements of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas and other bank regulators.

An independent assessment of the effectiveness of the internal audit function is conducted every 3 or 5 years by an external auditor through a quality assurance review. In 2015, the internal audit function underwent full external quality assessment review by an independent assessor and the latest Quality Assurance Report was released on November 25, 2015.

The External Auditor

External Audit Fees and Services. The Audit and Compliance Committee is empowered to appoint the external auditor of the Bank and approve all auditing and non-audit services. It recommends to the Board the selection of external auditor considering independence and effectiveness and recommends the fees to be paid.

The following are audit and non-audit fees paid to the bank's external auditor, Punongbayan and Araullo, in 2017:

2017	Audit Fee	Non-Audit Fee	Total
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	(in Million Pesos)	(in Million Pesos)	(in Million Pesos)
Parent	P 3.35	P0.50	P3.85
Group	P11.24	P1.73	P12.97

Non-audit fees include engagements for the quarterly review and agreed upon procedures in connection with the Bank's Offering Circulars.

Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure. In connection with the audits of the Bank's financial statements for the two (2) most recent years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, there were no disagreements with Punongbayan and Araullo on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosures, audit scope or procedures.

Policies

Code of Conduct

All employees are governed by the Bank's Code of Conduct, which revolves around the Core Values of the company. It is designed to serve as a guide to employees on how they should conduct themselves within and outside the Bank premises and in dealing with clients/customers and co-associates.

Adherence to this Code is the responsibility of each and every associate. It is administered uniformly throughout the Bank and is independent of the practices of other banks. It is a condition for continuous employment. Any breach of this Code may result in disciplinary action ranging from reprimand to termination of employment, depending on the gravity of the offense, after the observance of due process.

The Code of Conduct is divided into five parts as follows:

- A. Treatment of Clients
- B. Treatment of Bank Assets
- C. Treatment of Others
- D. Conflict of Interests
- E. Knowledge, Understanding & Compliance

Anti-Corruption Policies

Under Part D of the Code of Conduct on Conflict of Interests, to avoid conflict of interest, employees are to conduct business transactions for the Bank in accordance with Bank policy and avoid direct or indirect use of the Bank's goodwill, reputation, funds and property or other resources for personal gain. This involves, among other things, accepting gifts, entertainment or favors from customers or suppliers; outside employment; outside directorship; and receiving commissions or benefits from customers or suppliers.

Gifts and Entertainment. The Bank does not allow solicitation of gifts, directly or indirectly, from customers or suppliers. Under no circumstance do employees accept, directly or indirectly, payments, loans, kickbacks, special privileges or services in exchange for favors.

Favors. The Bank does not buy business. This is obtained on the merits of the Bank's products, services and people. It does not bend rules nor offer money, illegal or inappropriate favors of unusual value to obtain or retain business. In this regard, any and all significant donations or contributions to or through a customer for whatever purpose using Bank property or funds should be with the prior authorization of the concerned Group Head. Should said donation or contribution be through the purchase of a raffle or lottery ticket, any prize or winnings therefrom, regardless of

whether the ticket is in the employee's possession or in the employee's name, must be turned over to the Bank.

Receiving Commissions or Benefits. Employees must avoid situations which may unduly influence the relationships with customers or suppliers in a position to transact business with the Bank. Employees must make sure that the procedures laid down in providing customer services or in purchasing goods and services are strictly followed. Employees who have a direct hand in choosing companies from which purchases of the Bank's business requirements are to be made, are discouraged to use said authority to obtain commissions or leverage to purchase the same item/s for personal interests at terms not otherwise available to his/her colleagues or the public. Suppliers and customers are chosen based on merit and not on what can be gained from them.

The Code of Conduct is a main topic included in the Bank's Employee Orientation Program which is held on a regular basis.

The Code of Discipline provides for penalties for violations of the Code of Conduct. Administrative cases are handled in accordance with the Bank's Administrative Cases Procedure and existing laws. The Personnel Evaluation and Review Committee, as mentioned, acts as an independent body in the evaluation and review of cases involving dishonesty, fraud, negligence or violation of any internal Bank policy, rule or procedure committed by an RCBC employee and ensures that the appropriate preventive, corrective and disciplinary measures are imposed on cases involving dishonesty, fraud, negligence or violation of any internal Bank policy, rule or procedure committed by an RCBC employee.

Use of Insider Information

There are laws that prohibit the use of inside information when buying, selling or trading publicly traded securities, including RCBC securities. Inside information can take many forms, but always includes information which is not available to the public and which might influence an investor's decision to buy, sell or hold securities in a company.

Under the Code of Conduct, employees are prohibited from buying, selling or trading RCBC securities or the securities of other companies about which employees have inside information, until that information becomes public. In addition, this information should not be shared with anyone else, including family members or friends or anyone about trading in any securities based on this information.

Whistleblowing Policy

The Bank's Whistleblowing Policy is a key element in safeguarding the Bank's integrity. It aims to enhance the Bank's transparency and system for combating practices that might damage its activities and reputation. Protecting the integrity and reputation of the Bank requires the active support of its stakeholders, particularly its employees.

The following are the basic principles of the Bank's Whistleblowing Policy:

1. Employees and other stakeholders must be provided with alternative and sufficient channels for whistleblowing and communication. In certain instances, they must be able to bypass the main channels for whistleblowing if these prove inappropriate;
2. Employees and other stakeholders making the report in good faith should at all times be protected against reprisals;
3. Identity of the whistleblower making the report in good faith should remain confidential;
4. Reported incidents shall be verified in an appropriate manner, and if confirmed, the Bank must take the necessary actions;

5. The rights of any person implicated in any report must be respected.

Reports of any actual or suspected criminal activities, unlawful acts or omissions, fraud, violations of the Code of Conduct and other bank policies, danger to health and safety, improprieties or malpractice in the workplace, including those relative to matters of financial reporting, internal control and/or auditing may be sent through YGC's Open Communication system at www.rcbc.com/TalktoUs.

AMLA

The Bank's Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing Prevention Program (MLPP) is a comprehensive and risk-based policy geared toward the promotion of high ethical and professional standards and the prevention of the of the bank being used, intentionally or unintentionally for money laundering and terrorist financing. The MLPP is consistent with the Anti-Money Laundering Act of 2001, as amended, The Terrorism Financing Prevention and Suppression Act of 2012, and BSP Circular No. 706, as amended. The MLPP is updated at least once every two years. This covers policies on Know Your Customer procedures, Record Keeping and Retention, Training, Risk Profiling and Covered and Suspicious Transaction Alerts Management. Central to improving the Bank's compliance to AML/CFT related regulations is the revision of the MLPP at least once every two years. The revised MLPP addresses the requirement outlined in new regulations and addresses changes in Bank practices considered significant as part of its ongoing process of re-framing the Bank's Compliance Program.

Related Party Transactions

In May 2016, the Board approved the revised Policy on Related Party Transactions following BSP's issuance of Circular No. 895 or Guidelines on Related Party Transactions on December 14, 2015. The said policy adopted the definition of "related party transactions" under the circular which are transactions or dealings with related parties of the Bank, including its trust department, regardless of whether or not a price is charged. These shall include, but not limited, to the following:

- On- and off-balance sheet credit exposures and claims and write-offs;
- Investments and/or subscriptions for debt/equity issuances;
- Consulting, professional, agency and other service arrangements/contracts;
- Purchases and sales of assets, including transfer of technology and intangible items (e.g. research and development, trademarks and license agreements)
- Construction arrangements/contracts;
- Lease arrangements/contracts;
- Trading and derivative transactions;
- Borrowings, commitments, fund transfers and guarantees;
- Sale, purchase or supply of any goods or materials; and
- Establishment of joint venture entities.

RPTs shall be interpreted broadly to include not only transactions that are entered into with related parties but also outstanding transactions that were entered into with an unrelated party that subsequently becomes a related party.

The term "related parties" under the Bank's policy is broader in scope as includes members of the Advisory Board and consultants of the Bank.

The Bank constituted the Related Party Transactions Committee and RPT Management Committee to review and approve, as the case may be, related party transactions.

The Related Party Transactions Committee is a board-level committee that reviews material related party transactions to ensure that the terms are no less favorable to the Bank than terms available

to any unconnected third party under the same or similar circumstances. A transaction is considered “material” if it involves an amount of at least P10,000,000.00, or the transaction requires Board approval such as in the case of DOSRI loans and other credit transactions. Material related party transactions are approved by the Board and subsequently presented to the stockholders at the Annual Stockholders Meeting for confirmation.

Transactions below the materiality threshold of P10,000,000.00 are reviewed and approved by the RPT Management Committee composed of Group Heads of the following units, or their respective designates:

1. Controllership Group
2. Operations Group
3. Corporate Risk Management Services (“CRISMS”) Group
4. Retail Banking Group
5. Corporate Planning Group

Transactions approved the RPT Management Committee are confirmed by the Board of Directors.

The Bank observes the following limits on exposures to related parties:

	INDIVIDUAL	AGGREGATE
LOANS / CREDIT	25% of Capital	50% of Capital
OTHER CONTRACT	NONE	10% of Capital

Breaches in the foregoing limits are reportable to the Board of Directors with the decision of the Board to accept the exposure or to take steps to address the breaches, as may be necessary, duly documented in the minutes of the meeting.

Under BSP Circular No. 895, Banks are required to submit a report on material exposures to related parties, which shall include the material RPTs of their non-bank financial subsidiaries and affiliates within 20 calendar days after the end of the reference quarter.

Details of the Bank's major related party transactions in 2017 are described below:

- The total amount of Parent Company DOSRI loans was at P553 million as of end December 2016 and was at P509 million by end of December 2017.
- RCBC and certain subsidiaries engage in trade of investment securities as counterparties to the transaction. These transactions are priced similar to transactions with other counterparties outside the Group and there are no unsettled transactions as of the end of each reporting period.
- RCBC's and certain subsidiaries' retirement funds covered under their defined benefit post-employment plan maintained for qualified employees are administered and managed by RCBC's and RSB's Trust Departments in accordance with the respective trust agreements covering the plan. The retirement fund neither provides guarantee or surety for any obligation of the Group nor its investment in its own shares of stock covered by any restriction and liens.
- RCBC and certain subsidiaries occupy several floors of RCBC Plaza as leaseholders of RCBC Realty Corporation (RRC). Rental expense incurred by the Group related to this lease arrangements is included as part of Occupancy and Equipment-related account in the statements of profit or loss. RCBC's lease contract with RRC is effective until December 31, 2020 after it was renewed in 2015 for another five years.
- RCBC entered into sublease agreements with certain subsidiaries which occupy several floors of RCBC Plaza.
- In October 2013, RCBC and RSB entered into a lease agreement covering certain office and parking spaces of RSB Corporate Center at a monthly rental fee of P7. The monthly rental payments are subject to an escalation rate of 5% annually effective in 2014 up to the

5th year of the lease term. The lease is for a period for five years which shall end in October 2018 and renewable as may be agreed by the parties.

- RCBC has a Service Agreement (the Agreement) with RBSC, wherein RBSC shall provide RCBC with marketing, distribution, technical, collection and selling assistance and processing services in connection with the operation of RCBC's credit card business.
- The Bank entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with HI, a member of the YGC, for the procurement of outsourcing services. Under the agreement, HI is the Bank's sole representative in negotiating the terms of the contracts with selected suppliers or service providers for the procurement of certain outsourcing services, primarily IT related services. The agreement stipulated that HI would not charge fees for its service except for its share in the savings generated from suppliers and service providers. Moreover, HI is obligated to ensure that the contracts they initiate do not prejudice the Bank in any way and that the Bank does not pay more than the cost of buying the items without aggregation.
- The Bank has service agreements with RCBC Savings Bank (RSB) and Bankard Inc. (now RBSC) for the in-sourced internal audit services. The Bank provides full-scope audit services to RSB and limited audit services to Bankard Inc., specifically IT audit, operations audit and financial statements review. Also, the Bank has formalized the service agreements for the internal audit services being provided to subsidiaries namely: RCBC Capital Corp., RCBC Securities, Inc., RCBC Forex Brokers Corp., Merchant Savings and Loan Association, Inc. (Rizal Microbank), RCBC Leasing and Finance Corporation and Niyog Property Holdings, Inc.
- The Bank has a service agreement with RCBC Forex Brokers Corporation (RCBC Forex) for in-sourced services, to be rendered by the following business units: 1) business and operational risk, 2) compliance, 3) internal audit, 4) information technology, and 5) human resources. The services shall be limited to: compliance with relevant laws, rules and regulations, market, liquidity, and operational risk management, internal audit, information technology, review of salary and processing of payroll on a bi-monthly basis, and implementation of exclusive succession planning, human resources information system and database administration and organization of training programs.
- The Bank has a service agreement with RCBC Forex and RSB for the referral of money service business customers to RCBC Forex, to facilitate the purchase and/or sale of foreign currencies. The services to be rendered are relative to account opening and compliance with customer identification regulatory requirements.

(J) Undertaking to Provide Annual Report

The Bank undertakes to provide each stockholder without charge a copy of the annual report on SEC Form 17-A upon written request to the Bank addressed to:

Atty. George Gilbert G. dela Cuesta
Corporate Secretary
Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation
46/F, Yuchengco Tower, RCBC Plaza
6819 Ayala Ave. cor. Sen. Gil J. Puyat Ave.
Makati City

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
SEC FORM 17-QQUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 17 OF THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE
AND SRC RULE 17(2)(b) THEREUNDER

1. For the fiscal year ended March 31, 2018
2. SEC Identification Number 17514
3. Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter: RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION
4. BIR Tax Identification No. 000 599 760 000
5. Philippines
Province, Country or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization
6. (SEC Use Only)
Industry Classification Code:
7. RCBC Plaza Yuchengco Tower 6819 Ayala Ave. cor. Sen. Puyat Avenue, Makati City
Address of principal office
8. 0727
Postal Code
8. (632) 894-9000
Registrant's telephone number, including area code
9. Not applicable
Former name, former address & former fiscal year, if changed since last report
10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 4 and 8 of the RSA

<u>Title of Each Class</u>	<u>Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding and Amount of Debt Outstanding</u>
Common Stock, P10 par value	1,399,918,367 (as of 31 March 2018)

Are any or all of these securities listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange

Yes (x) No ()

12. Check whether the registrant:

(a) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 17 of the SRC thereunder or Section 11 of the RSA and RSA Rule 11(a)-1 thereunder and Sections 26 and 141 of the Corporation Code of the Philippines during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports);

Yes (x) No ()

(b) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days

Yes (x) No ()

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PART 1 - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
(Amounts in Millions of Philippine Pesos)

		3/31/2019	12/31/2017
	Notes	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
RESOURCES			
CASH AND OTHER CASH ITEMS		P 13,797	P 14,693
DUE FROM BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS		57,109	56,801
DUE FROM OTHER BANKS		22,159	19,818
LOANS UNDER REVERSE REPURCHASE AGREEMENT		8,479	9,511
TRADING AND INVESTMENT SECURITIES	1	88,679	72,012
LOANS AND RECEIVABLES - Net	4	371,981	354,241
INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES - Net		419	437
BANK PREMISES, FURNITURE, FIXTURES & EQUIPMENT - Net		8,667	8,940
INVESTMENT PROPERTIES - Net		3,584	3,377
DEFERRED TAX ASSETS		1,940	1,895
OTHER RESOURCES - Net	5	8,888	9,012
TOTAL RESOURCES		P 585,712	P 553,968
LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL FUNDS			
DEPOSIT LIABILITIES	6	394,614	387,417
BILLS PAYABLE	7	50,464	43,667
BONDS PAYABLE	8	44,930	29,660
ACCRUED TAXES, INTEREST AND OTHER EXPENSES		4,331	4,195
OTHER LIABILITIES	9	13,245	12,969
SUBORDINATED DEBT	10	9,073	9,588
Total Liabilities		517,757	497,351
CAPITAL FUNDS			
Attributable to Parent Company Shareholders:			
Paid-Up Stock	11	3	1
Common Stock	11	13,999	13,999
Capital Paid in Excess of Par		22,635	22,635
Other Comprehensive Income:			
Net Unrealized Gains/(Losses) on Financial Assets At Fair Value		1,910	1,916
Through Other Comprehensive Income			
Cumulative Translation Adjustment		86	85
Retirement plan	(	8)	7)
Other Reserves:			
Reserve for Trust Business		436	436
Retained Earnings Appropriated for General Provision		2,237	-
Other Reserves	(	97)	97)
Retained Earnings		28,728	28,749
		67,957	66,791
Non-controlling Interest		24	28
Total Capital Funds		67,955	67,027
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL FUNDS		P 585,712	P 553,968

See Notes to Interim Financial Statements.

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Amounts in Millions of Philippine Pesos, Except Per Share Data)

		12/31/2018 to 9/30/2018	12/31/2017 to 9/30/2017
	Note	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
INTEREST INCOME ON			
Loans and receivables	1*	6,273	6,151
Investment securities		599	561
Others		36	144
		<u>6,908</u>	<u>6,856</u>
INTEREST EXPENSE ON			
Deposits liabilities		1,264	977
Bank payable and other borrowings		<u>825</u>	<u>703</u>
		<u>2,089</u>	<u>1,680</u>
NET INTEREST INCOME		4,817	4,144
IMPAIRMENT LOSSES - Net		<u>417</u>	<u>411</u>
NET INTEREST INCOME AFTER IMPAIRMENT LOSSES		<u>4,360</u>	<u>3,714</u>
OTHER OPERATING INCOME (CHARGES)			
Trading and securities gain - net	1	103	76
Service fees and commissions		794	470
Foreign exchange gain/loss - net		344	147
Insurance		66	107
Miscellaneous	12	<u>528</u>	<u>511</u>
		<u>1,735</u>	<u>1,311</u>
OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES			
Employee benefits		1,515	1,471
Occupancy and equipment related		793	756
Depreciation and amortization		454	466
Travel and logistics		350	432
Miscellaneous	12	<u>1,312</u>	<u>1,462</u>
		<u>4,690</u>	<u>4,216</u>
PROFIT BEFORE TAX		1,394	1,299
TAX EXPENSE (INCOME)		<u>261</u>	<u>212</u>
NET PROFIT		1,133	1,087
NET PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO NON-CONTROLLING INTEREST		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
NET PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO PARENT			
COMPANY SHAREHOLDERS		<u>P 1,132</u>	<u>P 1,086</u>
Earnings Per Share (Annualized)			
Basic	1*	<u>3.29</u>	<u>2.94</u>
Diluted	1*	<u>1.29</u>	<u>2.94</u>

See Notes to Interim Financial Statements

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(Amounts in Millions of Philippine Pesos)

	<u>1/1/2018 to</u> <u>3/31/2018</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>1/1/2017 to</u> <u>3/31/2017</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>
NET PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD	P 1,133	P 1,013
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSSES) DURING THE PERIOD:		
Fair value gains (losses) on financial assets at Other Comprehensive Income	(514)	111
Retirement plan	71	331
Translation adjustments on foreign operations	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Other Comprehensive Income for the period	(442)	443
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD	P 691	P 1,224
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO NON-CONTROLLING INTEREST	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO PARENT COMPANY'S SHAREHOLDERS	P 690	P 1,223

See Notes to Interim Financial Statements.

BIZAL CREDITICIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN CAPITAL FUNDS
(Amounts in Millions of Philippine Pesos)

	12/31/2018 to 12/31/2018	12/31/2017 to 12/31/2017
Note	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
ATTRIBUTABLE TO PARENT COMPANY SHAREHOLDERS		
PREFERRED STOCK	"	
Balance, beginning	3	3
Conversion of preferred stock to common stock	—	—
Balance, end	3	3
COMMON STOCK	"	
Balance, beginning	11,999	11,999
Conversion of preferred stock to common stock	—	—
Balance, end	11,999	11,999
CAPITAL PAID IN EXCESS OF PAR		
Balance, beginning	22,635	22,635
Conversion of preferred stock to common stock	—	—
Balance, end	22,635	22,635
NET UNREALIZED GAINS/(LOSSES) ON FINANCIAL ASSETS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		
Balance, beginning as previously reported	1,968	2,129
Effect of Adoption of PFRS 9	45	—
Balance, beginning as stated	2,028	2,129
Net unrealized gains/(losses) during the period	(884)	1
Balance, end	1,144	2,130
CUMULATIVE TRANSLATION ADJUSTMENTS		
Balance, beginning	85	86
Translation adjustments during the period	1	1
Balance, end	86	87
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME- RETIREMENT PLAN		
Balance, beginning	4	1,761
Reversal/impact of the defined loss for during the period	71	131
Balance, end	4	1,892
RESERVE FOR TRUST BENEFICIARIES		
Balance, beginning	436	436
Transfer from retained earnings - loss	—	—
Balance, end	436	436
OTHER RESERVES	(97)	(17)
RETAINED EARNINGS APPROPRIATED FOR GENERAL PROVISION		
Beginning balance, as previously reported	—	—
Effect of Adoption of PFRS 9	2,136	—
Beginning balance, as stated	2,136	—
Transfer from retained earnings - loss	99	—
Balance, end	2,235	—
RETAINED EARNINGS		
Beginning balance, as previously reported	28,090	28,551
Effect of Adoption of PFRS 9	(2,352)	—
Beginning balance, as stated	25,738	28,551
Net profit	8,832	1,007
Cash dividends on common shares	—	—
Cash dividends on preferred shares	—	—
Transfer of the value reserved on PFRS 9	(4)	3
Transfer to retained earnings appropriated for general provision	99	—
Transfer to reserves for trust beneficiaries	—	—
Balance, end	34,525	29,561
ATTRIBUTABLE TO PARENT COMPANY SHAREHOLDERS	P 67,923	P 114,111
ATTRIBUTABLE TO PARENT COMPANY SHAREHOLDERS	P 67,923	P 114,111
MINORITY INTEREST		
Beginning balance, as previously reported	29	3
Effect of Adoption of PFRS 9	(2)	—
Beginning balance, as stated	27	3
Transfer from retained earnings - loss	—	1
Net profit for the year	1	1
Balance, end	28	5
TOTAL CAPITAL FUNDS	P 67,951	P 119,116

See Notes To Audited Financial Statements

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Amounts in Millions of Philippine Pesos)

		1/1/2018 to 3/31/2018	1-1/2017 to 1-31/2017
	Notes	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Profit before tax	P	1,294	P 1,218
Adjustments for:			
Interest income	(	6,906	5,845
Interest expense		2,089	1,737
Depreciation losses		437	375
Expenditure and amortization		454	467
Dividend income	(	160	154
Share in net earnings of associates	(	21	24
Operating loss before working capital changes	(	2,693	2,291
Decrease (increase) in interest assets at fair value through profit and loss	1	1,161	12,419
Decrease (increase) in loans and receivables	4	15,682	9,291
Decrease (increase) in investment properties	(	184	211
Decrease (increase) in other investments	5	2,406	201
Increase (decrease) in deposit liabilities	6	6,202	11,968
Increase (Decrease) in accrued taxes, interest and other expenses		94	68
Increase in other liabilities	8	956	1,716
Cash from (used in) operations	(	12,155	14,446
Interest received		6,631	7,934
Interest paid	(	1,806	1,982
Cash paid for taxes	(	244	16
Net Cash From (Used in) Operating Activities	(	7,634	14,286
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Decrease (increase) in Financial Assets at FVOCI	3	(3,441)	15
Decrease (increase) in investments securities and bond	3	(13,526)	15,785
Acquisition of bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment net	(	109	241
Cash dividends received		5	154
Acquisition of intangibles	4	51	20
Net Cash From (Used in) Investing Activities	(	13,122	16,215
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from bank borrowings	1	6,497	4,875
Dividend paid		-	-
Redemption of bonds payable		16,674	17,421
Net Cash From (Used in) Financing Activities		23,171	22,296
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(	1,549	6,957
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING			
Cash and other cash items		11,685	15,158
Due from Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas		58,501	65,529
Due from other banks		19,818	25,291
Interbank loans and loans and receivables under reverse repurchase agreement		9,869	7,897
		100,183	114,276
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END			
Cash and other cash items		13,797	12,541
Due from Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas		55,109	56,376
Due from other banks		22,159	27,006
Interbank loans and loans and receivables under reverse repurchase agreement		8,727	1,354
	P	101,792	P 107,276

See Notes to Interim Financial Statements.

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
NOTES TO INTERIM CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
MARCH 31, 2018 AND DECEMBER 31, 2017
(Amounts in Millions of Philippine Pesos)

1. CORPORATE MATTERS

Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation (the Parent Company, the Bank or RCBC), a universal bank engaged in all aspects of banking, was originally incorporated on September 23, 1960. The Bank renewed its corporate existence on December 10, 2009. It provides products and services related to traditional loans and deposits, trade finance, domestic and foreign fund transfers or remittance, cash management, treasury, and trust and custodianship services. It also enters into forward currency contracts as an accommodation to its clients and as a means of managing its foreign exchange exposures. The Parent Company and its subsidiaries (together hereinafter referred to as the Group) are engaged in all aspects of traditional banking, investment banking, retail financing (credit cards, auto loans, mortgage/housing and microfinance loans), remittance, leasing and stock brokering.

As a banking institution, the Group's operations are regulated and supervised by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP). As such, the Group is required to comply with banking rules and regulations such as those relating to maintenance of reserve requirements on deposit liabilities and deposit substitutes and those relating to the adoption and use of safe and sound banking practices, among others, as promulgated by the BSP. The Group's activities are subject to the provisions of Republic Act (RA) No. 8791, the *General Banking Law of 2000*, and other related banking laws.

The Parent Company's common shares are listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE).

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The significant accounting policies that have been used in the preparation of these financial statements are summarized in the succeeding pages. The policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

2.1 Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

(a) Statement of Compliance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards

The interim financial statements of the Bank have been prepared in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS).

There were no changes in the accounting policies and methods of computation followed in the interim financial statements as compared with the most recent annual financial statements.

(b) Presentation of Financial Statements

The financial statements are presented in accordance with Philippine Accounting Standards (PAS) 1, *Presentation of Financial Statements*. The Group presents all items of income and expenses in two statements: a "statement of profit or loss" and a "statement of comprehensive income."

16) *Functional and Presentation Currency*

These financial statements are presented in Philippine pesos, the Group's functional and presentation currency. All amounts are in millions, except per share data or when otherwise indicated.

2.2 *Adoption of New and Amended PFRS*

Effective January 1, 2018, the Group adopted PFRS 9 (2014), *Financial Instruments*. This new standard on financial instruments replaced PAS 39, *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*, and PFRS 9 (2009, 2010, and 2013 versions) – hereinafter referred to as PFRS 9. In addition to the principal classification categories for financial assets and financial liabilities, which were early adopted by the Group on January 1, 2014, PFRS 9 (2014) includes the following major provisions:

- limited amendments to the classification and measurement requirements for financial assets introducing a fair value measurement for eligible debt securities; and,
- an expected credit loss (ECL) model in determining impairment of all financial assets that are not measured at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL), which generally depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition of a financial asset.

The Group applied PFRS 9 (2014) retrospectively in accordance with PAS 8, *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*. As also allowed under the related transitional disclosure requirements of PFRS 7 for early adoption of PFRS 9, the Group opted not to restate the comparative periods. The following table shows the effects of the adoption of PFRS 9 (2014) on the carrying amounts and presentation of certain affected financial statement accounts as of January 1, 2018:

		<u>As Previously Reported</u>	<u>Effect of Adoption of PFRS 9 (2014)</u>	<u>As Restated</u>
<i>Changes in assets:</i>				
Trading and Investment Securities				
Financial assets at FVTPL	P	7,591	(P 1,001)	P 6,590
Financial assets at FVOCI		5,363	1,260	6,623
Investment securities at amortized cost		59,978	(282)	59,696
Loans and Receivables		354,243	370	354,613
Net increase in resources			P 347	
<i>Changes in liabilities:</i>				
Other liabilities	P	12,369	P 102	P 12,476
<i>Changes in equity:</i>				
Surplus		28,050	(2,352)	25,698
Retained earnings appropriated for general provision	-		2,138	2,138
Revaluation reserves on FVOCI		1,968	456	2,424
Non controlling interests		29	(27)	2
Net increase in equity			240	
Net increase in liabilities and equity			P 347	

2.3 Basis of Consolidation and Accounting for Investments in Subsidiaries and Associates in the Separate Financial Statements

The Group's consolidated financial statements comprise the accounts of the Parent Company and its subsidiaries, after the elimination of material intercompany transactions. All intercompany resources and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions with subsidiaries are eliminated in full. Unrealized profits and losses from intercompany transactions that are recognized in assets are also eliminated in full. Intercompany losses that indicate impairment are recognized in the consolidated financial statements.

2.4 Financial Assets

Financial assets are recognized when the Group becomes a party to the contractual terms of the financial instrument. For purposes of classifying financial assets, an instrument is considered as an equity instrument if it is non-derivative and meets the definition of equity for the issuer in accordance with the criteria under PAS 32, Financial Instruments: Presentation. All other non-derivative financial instruments are treated as debt instruments.

(a) Classification, Measurement and Reclassification of Financial Assets

Under PFRS 9, *Financial Instruments*, the classification and measurement of financial assets is driven by the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The classification and measurement of financial assets are described in the succeeding pages.

(i) Financial Assets at Amortized Cost

Financial assets are measured at amortized cost if both of the following conditions are met:

- the asset is held within the Group's business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and,
- the contractual terms of the instrument give rise, on specified dates, to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI) on the principal amount outstanding.

Financial assets meeting these criteria are measured initially at fair value plus transaction costs. They are subsequently measured as amortized cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment in value.

(ii) Financial Assets at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss (FVPL)

The Group classifies financial assets as FVPL when they have been purchased or issued primarily for short-term profit making through trading activities or form part of a portfolio of financial instruments that are managed together, for which there is evidence of a recent pattern of short-term profit taking.

Debt instruments that do not meet the amortized cost criteria, or that meet the criteria but the Group has chosen to designate as at FVPL at initial recognition, are measured at FVPL. Equity investments are classified as financial assets at FVPL, unless the Group designates an equity investment that is not held for trading as at *Financial Assets at Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI)* at initial recognition. The Group's financial assets at FVPL include government securities, corporate bonds, equity securities, which are held for trading purposes or designated as at FVPL.

Financial assets at FVPL are measured at fair value. Related transaction costs are recognized directly as expense in profit or loss. Unrealized gains and losses arising from changes (mark-to-market) in the fair value of the financial assets at FVPL category and realized gains or losses arising from disposals of these instruments are included in Trading and Securities Gains under Other Operating Income account in the statement of profit or loss.

(iii) Financial Assets at Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI)

Debt Instruments at FVOCI

The Group classifies debt instruments under FVOCI when both of the following conditions are met:

- the asset is held within the Group's business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets; and,
- the contractual terms of the instrument give rise, on specified dates, to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI) on the principal amount outstanding.

FVOCI debt securities are subsequently measured at fair value with gains and losses arising from changes in fair value recognized in Other Comprehensive Income (OCI). Interest income and foreign exchange gains and losses are recognized in profit or loss in the same manner as for financial assets measured at amortized cost. On derecognition, cumulative gains or losses previously recognized in OCI are reclassified to profit or loss.

Equity Instruments at FVOCI

At initial recognition, the Group can make an irrevocable election (on an instrument-by-instrument basis) to designate equity investments as at FVOCI; however, such designation is not permitted if the equity investment is held by the Group for trading. The Group has designated certain equity instruments as at FVOCI on initial application of PFRS 9.

Financial assets at FVOCI are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value, with no deduction for any disposal costs. Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value, including the foreign exchange component, are recognized in other comprehensive income, net of any effects arising from income taxes, and are reported as part of Revaluation Reserves account in equity. When the asset is disposed of, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognized in the

Revaluation Reserves account is not reclassified to profit or loss, but is reclassified directly to Surplus account.

(b) Impairment of Financial Assets

IFRS 9 requires the Bank to record an allowance for Expected Credit Losses (ECL) for all loans and other debt financial assets not held at FVPL, together with loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts. The allowance is based on the ECLs associated with the probability of default in the next twelve months unless there has been a significant increase in credit risk since origination. If the financial asset meets the definition of purchased or originated credit impaired, the allowance is based on the change in the ECLs over the life of the asset.

The Group has established a policy to perform an assessment, at the end of each reporting period, of whether a financial instrument's credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition, by considering the change in the risk of default occurring over the remaining life of the financial instrument. The Group classifies its loans into the following stages:

- Stage 1 : When loans are first recognized, the Group recognizes an allowance based on the twelve-month ECLs. Stage 1 loans also include facilities where the credit risk has improved and the loan has been reclassified from Stage 2.
- Stage 2 : When a loan has shown a significant increase in credit risk since origination, the Group records an allowance for the lifetime ECLs. Stage 2 loans also include facilities where the credit risk has improved and the loan has been reclassified from Stage 3.
- Stage 3 : When a loan is considered as credit impaired, the Group records an allowance for the lifetime ECL.

The key elements used in the calculation of ECL are as follows:

Probability of Default – is an estimate of the likelihood of default over a given time horizon. A default may only happen at a certain time over the assessed period, if the facility has not been previously derecognized and is still in the portfolio.

Loss Given Default – is an estimate of the loss arising in the case where a default occurs at a given time. It is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due and those that the Bank would expect to receive, including the realization of any collateral.

Exposure At Default – represents the gross carrying amount of the financial instruments subject to the impairment calculation.

(c) Derecognition of Financial Assets

A financial asset (or where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of financial assets) is derecognized when the contractual rights to receive cash flows from the financial instruments expire, or when the financial assets and all substantial risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to another party. If the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Group recognizes its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Group retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Group continues to recognize the financial asset and also recognizes a collateralized borrowing for the proceeds received.

2.5 Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities which include deposit liabilities, bills payable, bonds payable, subordinated debt, accrued interest and other expenses, and other liabilities (except tax-related payables, post-employment defined benefit obligation and deferred income) are recognized when the Group becomes a party to the contractual terms of the instrument.

Financial liabilities are recognized initially at their fair value and subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, for those with maturities beyond one year, less settlement payments. All interest related charges incurred on financial liabilities are recognized as an expense in the statement of profit or loss under the caption Interest Expense.

2.6 Provisions and Contingencies

Provisions are recognized when present obligations will probably lead to an outflow of economic resources and they can be estimated reliably even if the timing or amount of the outflow may still be uncertain. A present obligation arises from the presence of a legal or constructive obligation that has resulted from past events (e.g., legal dispute or onerous contracts).

2.7 Revenue and Expense Recognition

Revenue is recognized to the extent that the revenue can be reliably measured; it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group, and the costs incurred or to be incurred can be measured reliably.

2.8 Impairment of Non-financial Assets

For purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units (CGU)). As a result, some assets are tested for impairment either individually or at the CGU level.

Impairment loss is recognized in profit or loss for the amount by which the asset's or CGU's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount which is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. In determining value in use, management estimates the expected future cash flows from each CGU and determines the suitable interest rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows. The data used for impairment testing procedures are directly linked to the Group's latest approved budget, adjusted as necessary to exclude the effects of asset enhancements. Discount factors are determined individually for each CGU and reflect management's assessment of respective risk profiles, such as market and asset-specific risk factors.

All assets, except for intangible assets with indefinite useful life and goodwill, are subsequently reassessed for indications that an impairment loss previously recognized may no longer exist. An impairment loss is reversed if the asset's or CGU's recoverable amount exceeds its carrying amount.

2.9 Income Taxes

Tax expense recognized in profit or loss comprises the sum of current tax and deferred tax not recognized in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, if any.

Current tax assets or liabilities comprise those claims from, or obligations to, tax authorities relating to the current or prior reporting period, that are unpaid at the end of the reporting

period. They are calculated according to the tax rates and tax laws applicable to the periods to which they relate, based on the taxable profit for the year. All changes to current tax assets or liabilities are recognized as a component of tax expense in the statement of profit or loss.

Deferred tax is provided using the liability method, on temporary differences at the end of the reporting period between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes. Under the liability method, with certain exceptions, deferred tax liabilities are recognized for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognized for all deductible temporary differences and the carry-forward of unused tax losses and unused tax credits to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deferred tax assets can be utilized. Deferred tax assets are reassessed at the end of each reporting period. Previously unrecognized deferred tax assets are recognized to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profit will be available to allow such deferred tax assets to be recovered.

2.10 Related Party Relationships and Transactions

Related party transactions are transfers of resources, services or obligations between the Group and its related parties, regardless of whether a price is charged.

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions. These parties include: (a) individuals owning, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, control or are controlled by, or under common control with the Group; (b) associates; (c) individuals owning, directly or indirectly, an interest in the voting power of the Group that gives them significant influence over the Group and close members of the family of any such individual; and, (d) the funded retirement plan of each of the entities under the Group.

2.11 Events After the End of the Reporting Period

Any event that provides additional information about the Group's financial position at the end of the reporting period (adjusting event) is reflected in the financial statements. Post year end events that are not adjusting events, if any, are disclosed when material to the financial statements.

3. TRADING AND INVESTMENT SECURITIES

This account is composed of the following:

	March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Financial assets at FVPL	P 6,431	P 7,591
Financial assets at FVOCI - net	8,746	5,363
Investment securities		
at amortized cost - net	<u>73,502</u>	<u>59,978</u>
	P 88,679	P 72,932

3.1 Financial Assets at FVPL

This account is composed of the following:

	<u>March 31, 2018</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>December 31, 2017</u> <u>(Audited)</u>
Government securities	P 3,387	P 4,386
Corporate debt securities	515	462
Derivative financial assets	1,755	1,624
Equity securities	<u>774</u>	<u>1,112</u>
	<u>P 6,431</u>	<u>P 7,591</u>

3.2 Financial Assets at FVOCI

This account is composed of the following:

	<u>March 31, 2018</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>December 31, 2017</u> <u>(Audited)</u>
Government bonds	P 1,807	P -
Other debt securities	1,122	-
Quoted equity securities	3,766	5,653
Unquoted equity securities	<u>2,057</u>	<u>1,710</u>
	8,752	5,363
Allowance for impairment	<u>(9)</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>P 8,746</u>	<u>P 5,363</u>

3.3 Investments at Amortized Cost

This account is composed of the following:

	<u>March 31, 2018</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>December 31, 2017</u> <u>(Audited)</u>
Government securities	P 52,059	P 39,144
Corporate debt securities	<u>21,553</u>	<u>20,934</u>
	73,612	60,068
Allowance for impairment	<u>(110)</u>	<u>(90)</u>
	<u>P 73,502</u>	<u>P 59,978</u>

4. LOANS AND RECEIVABLES

This account consists of the following:

	March 31, 2018 <u>(Unaudited)</u>	December 31, 2017 <u>(Audited)</u>
Receivable from customers:		
Loans and discounts	P 334,799	P 319,099
Credit card receivables	17,022	16,405
Customers' liabilities on acceptances, import bills and trust receipts	13,644	12,404
Bills purchased	2,343	2,612
Lease contract receivable	3,266	2,893
Receivables financed	<u>535</u>	<u>249</u>
	371,609	353,662
Unearned discount	(<u>661</u>)	(<u>817</u>)
	<u>370,948</u>	<u>352,845</u>
Other receivables:		
Accrued interest receivable	3,326	3,094
Sales contract receivable	1,665	1,679
Accounts receivable	1,507	2,641
Unquoted debt securities classified as loans	1,948	1,939
Dividends receivable	176	-
Interbank loans receivables	<u>247</u>	<u>38</u>
	<u>8,869</u>	<u>9,391</u>
	379,817	362,236
Allowance for impairment	(<u>7,836</u>)	(<u>7,293</u>)
	<u>P 371,981</u>	<u>P 354,243</u>

5. OTHER RESOURCES

This account consists of the following:

	<u>March 31, 2018</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>December 31, 2017</u> <u>(Audited)</u>
Asset held-for-sale and disposal group	P 1,547	P 1,594
Creditable withholding taxes	2,294	2,110
Branch licenses	1,000	1,000
Software – net	961	977
Prepaid expenses	832	538
Refundable and other deposits	364	334
Goodwill	426	426
Returned checks and other cash items	78	87
Unused stationery and supplies	371	288
Foreign currency notes	173	98
Margin deposits	24	23
Sundry debts	36	29
Miscellaneous	961	1,692
	9,067	9,303
Allowance for impairment	(172)	(191)
	<u>P 8,888</u>	<u>P 9,112</u>

6. DEPOSIT LIABILITIES

The following is the breakdown of deposit liabilities.

	<u>March 31, 2018</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>December 31, 2017</u> <u>(Audited)</u>
Demand	P 52,495	P 51,996
Savings	167,484	165,187
Time	165,115	161,727
Long-term Negotiable Certificate of Deposits (LTNCD)	<u>9,520</u>	<u>9,502</u>
	<u>P 394,614</u>	<u>P 388,412</u>

The details of the Parent Company's Long-term Negotiable Certificate of Deposits (LTNCDs) as of March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 are as follows:

<u>Issuance Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Coupon Interest</u>	<u>Outstanding Balance</u>	
			<u>Mar 31, 2018</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>Dec 31, 2017</u> <u>(Audited)</u>
August 11, 2017	February 11, 2023	4.13%	P 2,502	P 2,502
December 16, 2014	June 19, 2024	4.13%	2,100	2,100
November 14, 2013	May 14, 2019	3.25%	2,860	3,860
November 14, 2013	May 14, 2019	0.00%	<u>2,058</u>	<u>2,040</u>
			<u>P 9,520</u>	<u>P 9,502</u>

The Parent Company's LTNCDs were used in the expansion of its term deposit base to support long-term asset growth and for other general funding purposes.

7. **BILLS PAYABLE**

This account consists of borrowings from:

	<u>March 31, 2018</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>December 31, 2017</u> <u>(Audited)</u>
Foreign banks	P 35,967	P 33,102
Local banks	14,497	10,862
Others	2	3
	<u>P 50,464</u>	<u>P 43,967</u>

8. **BONDS PAYABLE**

The composition of this account for the Group and the Parent Company follows:

<u>Issuance Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Coupon Interest</u>	<u>Face Value</u>	<u>Outstanding Balance</u>	
				<u>Mar 31, 2018</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>Dec 31, 2017</u> <u>(Audited)</u>
March 15, 2018	March 16, 2023	4.13%	\$ 300	P 15,612	P -
November 2, 2015	February 2, 2021	3.45%	320	16,664	15,977
January 21, 2015	January 22, 2020	4.25%	243	12,657	12,083
			<u>\$ 863</u>	<u>P 44,930</u>	<u>P 28,060</u>

9. **OTHER LIABILITIES**

Other liabilities consist of the following

	<u>March 31, 2018</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>December 31, 2017</u> <u>(Audited)</u>
Accounts payable	P 5,777	P 6,454
Manager's checks	1,037	1,575
Post-employment defined benefit obligation	111	111
Bills purchased – contra	934	1,079
Outstanding acceptances payable	1,831	405
Deposits on lease contracts	561	342
Derivative financial liabilities	672	483
Other credits	370	370
Withholding taxes payable	232	243
Payment orders payable	228	193
Guaranty deposits	55	63
Sundry credits	173	121
Due to BSP	84	39
Miscellaneous	<u>1,181</u>	<u>825</u>
	<u>P 13,245</u>	<u>P 12,365</u>

10. SUBORDINATED DEBT

On June 27, 2014, the Parent Company issued P7 billion Basel III-compliant Tier 2 Capital Notes (the "Tier 2 Notes") which shall be part of the Group's regulatory capital compliance in accordance with Basel III capital guidelines of the BSP. The Parent Company re-opened the Tier 2 Notes and issued an additional P3 billion of the Notes on September 5, 2014, which constituted a further issuance of, and formed a single series with the existing P7 billion Tier 2 Notes.

11. EQUITY

The movements in the outstanding capital stock are as follows:

	Number of Shares*	
	March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Preferred stock – voting, non-cumulative non-redeemable, participating convertible into common stock – P10 par value Authorized – 200,000,000 shares		
Balance at beginning of year	276,845	293,987
Conversion of shares during the year	(8,790)	(17,142)
Balance at end of year	<u>268,055</u>	<u>276,845</u>
Common stock – P10 par value Authorized – 1,400,000,000 shares		
Balance at beginning of year	1,399,916,364	1,399,912,464
Conversion of shares during the year	<u>1,998</u>	<u>3,900</u>
Balance at end of year	<u>1,399,918,362</u>	<u>1,399,916,364</u>

*Expressed in absolute number of shares

12. MISCELLANEOUS INCOME AND EXPENSES

These accounts consist of the following:

12.1 Miscellaneous Income

	January 1 to March 31, 2018	January 1 to March 31, 2017
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Rentals	P 192	P 170
Dividend income	176	139
Recoveries from written-off assets	41	48
Gains on assets sold	22	10
Others	<u>97</u>	<u>134</u>
	P 528	P 501

12.2 Miscellaneous Expenses

	January 1 to March 31, 2018 (Unaudited)	January 1 to March 31, 2017 (Unaudited)
Insurance	P 263	P 180
Credit card related expenses	251	200
Communication and information	116	101
Management and other professional fees	88	88
Advertising and publicity	78	75
Service processing fees	78	41
Employee activities	71	66
Litigation/asset acquired expenses	59	44
Banking fees	54	49
Transportation and travel	52	34
Stationery and office supplies	34	34
Others	168	170
	P 1,312	P 1,082

13. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In the normal course of operations of the Group, there are various outstanding commitments and contingent liabilities such as guarantees, commitments to extend credit, tax assessments, etc., with amounts not reflected in the financial statements. Management does not anticipate losses from these transactions that will adversely affect the Group's operations.

In the opinion of management, the suits and claims arising from the normal course of operations of the Group that remain unsettled, if decided adversely, will not involve sums that would have material effect on the Group's financial position or operating results.

13.1 Contingent Accounts, Guarantees and Other Commitments

The following is a summary of contingencies and commitments arising from off-statement of financial position items at their equivalent peso contractual amounts as of March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017:

	March 31, 2018 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2017 (Audited)
Trust department accounts	P 89,135	P 91,585
Derivative liabilities	50,273	41,822
Derivative assets	51,361	46,230
Outstanding guarantees issued	43,831	41,858
Unused commercial letters of credit	19,411	17,055
Spot exchange sold	7,621	6,307
Spot exchange bought	7,503	6,204
Inward bills for collection	3,085	1,407
Late deposits/payments received	429	566
Outward bills for collection	77	133
Others	17	17

13.2 Sale of National Steel Corporation (NSC) Plant Asset

In October 2008, Global Steel Philippines (SPV-AMC), Inc. (GSPH) and Global Ispat Holdings (SPV-AMC), Inc. (GIHI) (collectively, "Global Steel"), which purchased the Iligan Plant assets of the NSC ("NSC Plant Assets") from the Liquidator in 2004, initiated arbitration proceedings with the Singapore International Arbitration Centre ("SIAC") seeking damages on account of the failure of the Liquidator and the Secured Creditors, including the Bank and RCBC Capital Corporation ("RCAP"), to deliver the NSC Plant Assets free and clear from liens and encumbrances; purportedly depriving them of the opportunity to use the said assets to secure additional loans to fund the operations of the Plant and upgrade the same. On May 9, 2012, the SIAC Arbitral Tribunal rendered a Partial Award in favor of Global Steel in the total amount of (a) US\$80, as and by way of lost opportunity to make profits and (b) P1,403, representing the value of the undelivered Bulker Ship Land measuring 3,4071 hectares (the "Lost Land Claim").

On appeal, and on July 31, 2014, the Singapore High Court set aside the Partial Award, and subsequently granted the Secured Creditors' application for the lifting of the injunctions issued in 2008 and directed the release of Global Steel's installment payment to the Secured Creditors. Accordingly, the Bank and RCAP received their respective share in the funds previously held in escrow. Moreover, the Secured Creditors may now compel Global Steel to comply with their obligations under the Omnibus Agreement (OMNA)/Asset Purchase Agreement (APA) and take legal action upon Global Steel's failure to do so.

On March 31, 2015, the Singapore Court of Appeals rendered a decision which affirmed the earlier decision of the Singapore High Court insofar as it set aside (a) the monetary award of US\$80 and P1,403 representing lost opportunity to make profit and the value of the Lost Land Claim in favor of Global Steel, respectively, and (b) the deferment of Global Steel's obligation to pay the purchase price of the NSC Plant Assets. The Singapore Court of Appeals ruled that (a) aside from the lack of jurisdiction to rule on the issue of lost opportunity to make profit and absence of evidentiary support for the award, and (b) the premature ruling on the issue of the Lost Land Claim, the dispute relating to Global Steel's payment obligation is an obligation under the OMNA, which is beyond the ambit of arbitration, so that the SIAC Arbitral Tribunal could not properly order the Bank, RCAP and the other Secured Creditors to defer holding Global Steel in default. However, the Singapore Court of Appeals held that the NSC Liquidator and Secured Creditors are still required to deliver to Global Steel clean title to the NSC Plant Assets.

On November 27, 2015, the Singapore Court of Appeals further held that the issue of Global Steel's lost opportunity to make profit cannot be remanded to the Arbitral Tribunal, or to a new Arbitral Tribunal for that matter, to be litigated anew after the setting aside of the Partial Award. The doctrines of res judicata and abuse of process also operated to preclude the reopening of this issue. However, the Singapore Court of Appeals held that the Lost Land Claim may be the subject of a fresh arbitration proceedings before a new arbitral tribunal. The Singapore Court of Appeals likewise awarded litigation costs to the Liquidator but none to the Secured Creditors.

The Parent Company's estimated exposure is approximately P209 in terms of estimated property taxes and transfer costs due on the NSC Plant Assets, while it has a receivable from Global Steel in the amount of P486, taking into consideration the P49 installment payment it had received from the funds previously in escrow. The Parent Company has recognized full impairment loss on the receivable since then, with the gross amount of receivable classified as UDSGL under Loans and Receivable account. The Parent Company's exposure, however, may be varied depending on whether the Iligan City's assessment of the post-closing taxes will be sustained as valid (including those imposed on non-operational machines), now that all pre-closing taxes on the NSC assets sold to Global Steel, covering the period 1999 to October 14, 2004, are deemed paid, following the denial with finality of the City of Iligan's Petition for Review by the Supreme Court and the issuance of an Entry of Judgment on March 16, 2016, in the case initiated solely by the NSC Liquidator.

In defiance, however, of the aforesaid final and executory ruling, the City of Iligan (a) issued a Notice of Delinquency against NSC, seeking to collect the tax arrears covering the period 1999 to 2016, (b) levied the NSC properties, and (c) set the same for public auction on October 19, 2016, which proceeded even as the local government unit (LGU) received the October 18, 2016 Writ of Execution issued by the Regional Trial Court of Makati City, Branch 57, directing it to (a) comply with the valid and binding Tax Amnesty Agreement dated October 13, 2004, and (b) afford NSC relief from the payment of interests and penalties. On November 3, 2016, the Iligan City police took possession of the NSC Plant compound. On November 4, 2016, the NSC, through the Liquidator, filed an Omnibus Motion praying that (a) the City of Iligan, the Sangguniang Panlungsod and City Treasurer be directed to show cause why they should not be held in contempt, and, (b) the Auction Sale of the NSC properties held on October 19, 2016 be nullified.

In an Order dated April 4, 2017, the Makati Trial Court (a) nullified the public auction of the NSC Plant Assets, among others, (b) enjoined any and all real property tax collection actions against the NSC until the Decision dated October 7, 2011, which held that the NSC pre-closing taxes have been paid, is fully executed and NSC's remaining tax liabilities are correctly computed. The Makati Trial Court likewise (c) directed the Iligan City Treasurer to show cause why she should not be held in contempt of court for holding the auction sale of the NSC Plant Assets without clearing NSC of the pre-closing taxes, and (b) directed the Iligan City Treasurer, among others, to inform the Makati Trial Court of the names of the responsible persons who ordered, aided and abetted her assailed conduct. The LGU and the Iligan City Treasurer, among others, moved the reconsideration of the April 4, 2017 Order. To date, the matter remains pending.

13.3 Verotel Merchant Services B.V. Case

In 2011, Verotel Merchant Services B.V. (VMS), a Netherlands corporation, and Verotel International Industries, Inc. ("VII"), a Philippine corporation, civilly sued the Parent Company, Bankard, Inc. (Bankard), Grupo Mercarse Corp., CNP Worldwide, Inc. ("CNP") and several individuals before the Los Angeles Superior Court for various causes of action including fraud, breach of contract and accounting, claiming that VII and its alleged parent company, VMS, failed to receive the total amount of US\$1.5 million, which the defendants allegedly misappropriated. VMS is an Internet merchant providing on-line adult entertainment and on-line gambling, in addition to the sale of pharmaceuticals over the Internet.

After nearly five years, and after being transferred to a fourth judge, the case went to trial from January 13, 2016 to January 26, 2016, where the issues on prescription, VII's lack of capacity to sue and VMS's lack of standing to sue were reserved for Judge Michael J. Raphael's disposition. On January 27, 2016, the jury rendered a verdict solely in favor of VMS. On March 10, 2016, the Parent Company/Bankard informed Judge Raphael that they will, instead, be filing a motion for judgment notwithstanding verdict (JNOV) and motion for new trial. On April 11, 2016, the Parent Company/Bankard timely filed their motions for JNOV and new trial, and on April 27, 2016, the Parent Company/Bankard likewise timely filed their Reply to the Oppositions filed by VII/VMS.

On May 12, 2016, Judge Raphael heard, and partially granted, the Parent Company/Bankard's Motion for JNOV by deleting the US\$7.5 million punitive damages awarded to VMS in the absence of proof that (a) a corporate officer of the Parent Company/Bankard knew of, authorized, or ratified fraudulent acts, and (b) Janet Conway was a managing agent of the Parent Company/Bankard within the meaning of the California Civil Code Section 3294(b). However, Judge Raphael ruled that Conway was an agent of the Parent Company/Bankard for some purposes, and sustained the award of US\$1.5 million. Judge Raphael likewise denied the Parent Company/Bankard's Motion for New Trial, and likewise partially granted, plaintiffs' motion for interest and awarded VMS prejudgment interest in the amount of US\$0.5 million.

On July 11, 2016, the Parent Company/Bankard timely filed their Notice of Appeal on the partial denial of their Motion for JNOV with the California Court of Appeals, and received a copy of

the Notice of Appeal solely filed by VMS on July 8, 2016. On July 21, 2016, the Parent Company/Bankard timely posted the amount of US\$3.1 million, as and by way of security to stay the enforcement of the Amended Judgment rendered by Judge Rafael.

On September 8, 2016, VMS filed its unsealed Certificate of Interested Persons, after the California Court of Appeals sustained the Parent Company/Bankard's position that the identities subject of the disclosure was, in fact, a central issue in this case and the appeal, as it relates to whether VMS has standing in this case and is entitled to any damages. In an Order dated, and filed, on November 16, 2016, the California Court of Appeals adopted the briefing sequence proposed by the Parent Company/Bankard, thus, allowing the full ventilation of the case on appeal. In a notice dated January 25, 2017, the California Court of Appeals informed the parties of the filing of the reporter's transcripts.

Subsequently, on March 7, 2017, Judge Raphael granted VMS's motion for cost of proof sanction and directed the Parent Company/Bankard to pay VMS the additional amount of US\$0.08 million to cover the cost of (a) the services of expert witnesses and (b) their presentation, during the trial, given his ruling that the Parent Company/Bankard unjustifiably denied VMS's request for admission that they failed to comply with MasterCard and VISA association rules. The Parent Company/Bankard timely filed their Notice of Appeal on the aforementioned Order of Judge Raphael but no longer posted any additional filing fees, following VMS's agreement not seek to enforce of the said award during the pendency of the appeal.

The Parent Company/Bankard filed their Revised Opening Brief on their Appeal with the California Court of Appeals on October 2, 2017, raising the following arguments: (a) there is no substantial evidence to establish that the Parent Company/Bankard caused VMS' loss, which arose as a result of the processing of VMS' transactions under and using the merchant ID of another merchant, in a side deal without Bankard's knowledge and consent; (b) there is, therefore, no contract/no processing relationship between VMS and Bankard; (c) there is no substantial evidence to establish that the Parent Company/Bankard caused VMS' loss under agency law, given that (i) Conway could not be Bankard's agent as a matter of law, because she was defrauding Bankard, (ii) plaintiffs did not establish that Conway was an agent of Bankard, (iii) plaintiff did not establish that Conway was a purported agent of Bankard, and, (iv) plaintiffs did not establish that Conway's wrongful conduct was within the scope of her agency; and, (d) the Trial Court abused its discretion in awarding cost of proof sanctions. On March 28, 2018, the Parent Company/Bankard was advised of the filing of VMS's Combined Respondents' Brief and Cross-Appellants' Opening Brief.

13.4 RCBC Securities Case

In December 2011, RSEC Securities ("RSEC") initiated the filing of a criminal case for falsification against its former agent, Mary Grace V. Valbuena ("Valbuena"), who carried out certain questionable transactions with her own personal clients. Since then, RSEC has filed additional criminal and civil cases, including charges of violations of Batas Pambansa Bilg. 22 ("BP 22"), against the aforesaid former agent. On November 17, 2016, the Metropolitan Trial Court of Makati City, Branch 66, convicted Valbuena of the crime of BP 22. Valbuena proposed to pay RSEC P30, payable in five years, in settlement of all the claims against her, which RSEC refused. Valbuena's appeal is now subjudice for resolution, without prejudice to any settlement between the parties.

In May 2012, the Capital Markets Integrity Corporation ("CMIC") conducted an investigation on the complaint filed by Francisco Ken Cortes against RSEC. On July 3, 2015, the CMIC issued a Resolution of even date dismissing the complaint filed by Mr. Cortes. In October 2015, the CMIC affirmed the dismissal of Mr. Cortes' complaint with the denial of his Motion for Reconsideration dated 21 July 2015. Mr. Cortes did not file any appeal before the SEC en banc, so that the dismissal of his complaint is now final and executory.

In September 2014, Carlos S. Palanca IV ("Palanca") and Cognatio Holdings, Inc. ("Cognatio") likewise filed a complaint against RSEC with the CMIC, even as Cognatio's earlier complaint dated December 30, 2013 against RSEC, its former Vice President for Operations/Chief Finance Officer, its former Compliance Officer and Valbuena, is pending with the Enforcement and Investor Protection Department of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("EIPD-SEC") ("SEC Cognatio Case"). In its decision letter dated December 4, 2014, the CMIC dismissed the complaint on the ground of prescription and res judicata. Consequently, Palanca/Cognatio respectively appealed the case to the SEC en banc, which granted the appeals of Palanca/Cognatio and reversed the CMIC's decision. In turn, RSEC appealed the SEC en banc's reversal of the CMIC decision to the Court of Appeals. On October 27, 2017, the Court of Appeals granted RSEC's Petition for Review and reinstated the CMIC decision, ruling that Palanca/Cognatio committed willful and deliberate forum shopping. Palanca/Cognatio's Motion for Reconsideration, which RSEC has opposed via its Comment/ Opposition dated February 22, 2018, is currently pending resolution. The SEC Cognatio Case remains pending with the EIPD-SEC.

On February 22, 2013, Stephen Y. Ku ("Ku") filed a complaint against RSEC with the Regional Trial Court of Makati, Branch 149 (the "Makati Trial Court"), praying, among others, for the return of his shares of stock and cash payments which he claims to have turned over to Valbuena. On May 20, 2013, RSEC sought the dismissal of the complaint on the ground of non-payment of the correct filing fees and failure to state a case of action, which was, however, denied by the Makati Trial Court. Aggrieved, RSEC filed a Petition for Certiorari with the Court of Appeals on November 22, 2013, which was given due course. In the Decision dated October 9, 2014, the Court of Appeals sustained RSEC's position and ordered the dismissal of the complaint pending before the Makati Trial Court on the ground of lack of jurisdiction. In a Petition for Review dated September 15, 2015, Ku sought the reversal of the ruling of the Court of Appeals, and as an alternative, prayed to be allowed to re-file his Complaint sans docket fees. The case remains pending with the Supreme Court.

13.5 Poverty Eradication and Alleviation Certificates Bonds

In October 2011, the Bank filed a case before the Court of Tax Appeals questioning the 20% final withholding tax on PEACE Bonds by the BIR. The Bank subsequently withdrew its petition and joined various banks in their petition before the Supreme Court on the same matter. Notwithstanding the pendency of the case and the issuance of a Temporary Restraining Order by the Supreme Court, the Bureau of Treasury withheld P199 in October 2011 from the Bank on the interest on its PEACE bonds holdings. The amount was originally recognized as part of Accounts receivables under Loans and Receivables account in the statements of financial position until it was settled in 2017.

On January 13, 2015, the Supreme Court nullified the 2011 BIR Rulings classifying all bonds as deposit substitutes and ordered the Bureau of Treasury to return the 20% final withholding tax it withheld on the PEACE Bonds on October 18, 2011. On March 16, 2015, the Bank and RCAP filed a Motion for Clarification and/or Partial Reconsideration, seeking clarification to exclude from the definition "deposit substitutes" the PEACE Bonds since there was only one lender at the primary market, and subsequent sales in the secondary market pertain to a sale or assignment of credit, which is not subject to withholding tax. The Parent Company and RCAP also sought partial reconsideration to the ruling that should the PEACE Bonds be considered as deposit substitutes, the BIR should collect the unpaid final withholding tax directly from RCAP/Code NGO, or any lender or investor, as withholding agents, since there was no interest earned and collection of the withholding tax, if at all, has already prescribed. The Bank and RCAP also reiterated its arguments that the tax constitutes double taxation, violates the non-impairment clause of the Constitution, and is a breach of the obligations by the Bureau of Treasury when it issued the PEACE Bonds. The Office of the Solicitor General ("OSG"), as counsel for the Republic and other public respondents, also filed a Motion for Reconsideration and Clarification,

reiterating the BIR's right to withhold 20% as Final Withholding Tax and asking for clarification on the effect of the ruling on other government securities.

In a Resolution dated October 5, 2016, the Supreme Court partially granted the Bank and RCAP's Motion for Clarification and/or Partial Reconsideration, stating that (a) to determine whether the securities newly issued and sold by the Bureau of Treasury should be treated as "deposit substitutes", the phrase "at any one time" in relation to "20 or more lenders" should be reckoned at the time of their original issuance, (b) this interpretation, at any rate, cannot be applied retroactively since this would prejudice the Bank and RCAP which relied in good faith on the rulings/opinions of the BIR that the transaction in issue is exempted from any final withholding tax, and (c) such being the case, the PEACE Bonds cannot be treated as deposit substitutes. On the other hand, the Supreme Court denied the Motion for Reconsideration and Clarification filed by the OSC. The Supreme Court likewise held that due to the continued refusal of the Bureau of Treasury to release the amount of P4,966, which it withheld upon maturity of the PEACE Bonds, in violation of the order issued by the Supreme Court, the Bureau of Treasury is liable to pay legal interest of six percent (6%) per annum on the aforesaid amount of P4,966, counted from October 19, 2011 until fully paid.

On April 11, 2017, the Parent Company received a copy of the Entry of Judgment stamp, among others, that the Decision dated January 13, 2015 and the Resolution dated August 16, 2016, which partially granted the Motion for Clarification and/or Partial Reconsideration filed by the Parent Company became final and executory on October 20, 2016. The Bureau of Treasury has so far settled P197 of the Parent Company's claim. The balance of P2 is currently the subject of discussion between the Parent Company, the PIOC and the Bureau of Treasury. The PIOC is evaluating, among others, the deed of assignment executed in favor of the Parent Company by a rural bank, which has since then been placed under liquidation, of its PEACE bonds holdings in partial settlement of its past loan obligation.

13.6 Applicability of RR 4-2011

On March 15, 2011, the BIR issued RR 4-2011, which prescribed that for income tax reporting purposes, banks and other financial institutions must (a) report costs and expenses either under RBU or FCBU/FFCBU or OBU if specifically identified as such; or (b) allocate such cost and expenses, which cannot be specifically identified, based on percentage share of gross income earnings of a unit. The BIR, however, issued assessment notices to banks and other financial institutions for deficiency income tax for alleged non-intra-unit allocation of costs and expenses to exempt income and income subjected to final tax within RBU.

On April 6, 2015, the Parent Company and other member-banks of the Bankers Association of the Philippines ("BAP") (the "Petitioners"), filed the above-captioned case with Application for TRO and/or Writ of Preliminary Injunction with the Regional Trial Court of Makati ("Makati Trial Court"), wherein the Petitioners assailed the validity of RR 4-2011 on the ground, among others, that (a) RR 4-2011 violates the Petitioners' substantive due process rights, (b) it is not only illegal but also unfair; (c) it serves as a deterrent to banks to invest in capital market transactions to the prejudice of the economy, (d) it sets a dangerous precedent for the disallowance of full deductions due to the prescribed method of allocation; (e) it was promulgated without prior consultation, thus, violating the procedural due process rights of the petitioners; and (f) it violated the equal protection clause guaranteed in the Constitution for requiring Banks and other financial institutions to adopt a method of allocation when other institutions and taxpayers were not being required to do so by the Department of Finance ("DOF") and BIR. On April 8, 2015, the RTC-Makati issued a TRO enjoining the BIR from enforcing RR 4-2011. Also, on April 27, 2015, RTC-Makati issued a Writ of Preliminary Injunction enjoining the BIR from enforcing, carrying out, or implementing in any way or manner RR 04-2011 against the Parent Company and other BAP member banks, including the issuance of Preliminary Assessment Notice or Final Assessment Notice against them during the pendency of the litigation, unless sooner dissolved.

On June 10, 2015, the RTC-Makati issued a Confirmatory Order stating that the TRO and Writ of Preliminary Injunction also prohibits the BIR from ruling or deciding on any administrative matter pending before it in relation to the subject revenue regulations and insofar as the Parent Company and other BAP member banks are concerned. The Pre-trial Conference of the case began on August 2, 2016 and continued to August 3, 2017. During the August 3, 2017 hearing, in lieu of trial for the resolution of the case, the Makati Trial Court directed the parties to file their respective Memorandum on September 15, 2017. As of October 5, 2017, the parties to the case have submitted their respective Memorandum.

13.7 Alleged Unauthorized Transfer of Funds – Bank of Bangladesh

In February 2016, there was an alleged unauthorized transfer of funds from the Bank of Bangladesh to four accounts in the Bank, which were eventually transferred to various accounts outside of the Bank. In August 2016, the Monetary Board approved the imposition of supervisory action on the Bank to pay the amount of P1,000 in relation to the completed special examination. There may be other cases arising from these events. The has fully recognised the BSP's P1,000 fine as part of miscellaneous expenses in its 2016 Consolidated Statements of Profit or Loss, and it has paid this penalty in full ahead of the August 2017 deadline set by the BSP. The Bank's payment of the penalty did not affect its ability to perform its existing obligations or unduly hamper its operations.

On November 18, 2016, the AMLC filed a criminal complaint against current and former employees of the Bank in relation to the BOB incident with the Department of Justice (DOJ). The AMLC alleged that Raul Victor B. Tan, Ismael S. Reyes, Brigitte R. Capina, Nestor O. Pineda, Romualdo S. Agarrado and Angela Ruth S. Torres violated Section 4(f) of R.A. No. 9160, as amended ("AMLA"), in connection with the BOB incident. The AMLC alleged that each of the named persons performed or failed to perform an act, which facilitated the crime of money laundering, particularly the remittance and eventual withdrawal of US\$81 from certain accounts maintained at the Bank.

On March 27, 2017, current Bank employees Ismael S. Reyes, Brigitte R. Capina and Romualdo S. Agarrado and former Bank employees Raul Victor B. Tan and Nestor O. Pineda filed affidavits contesting, among other things, their culpability and the existence of several required elements to the charges alleged by the AMLC. Between May and July 2017, the AMLC and the aforementioned individuals filed various affidavits and manifestations in connection with the charges. In a Resolution dated February 5, 2018, the newly assigned DOJ investigating prosecutor found probable cause against Raul Victor B. Tan, et al., and recommended the filing of the corresponding Information against them. On March 22, 2018, Raul Victor B. Tan, Ismael S. Reyes, Brigitte R. Capina, and Romualdo S. Agarrado timely filed their Motion for Reconsideration on the aforementioned Resolution.

On March 8, 2016, William S. Go, an existing client of the Bank in another Business Center, and the Bank, filed criminal charges against (a) Mara Santos-Deguito, the former Branch Manager of the Makati Jupiter Business Center, and (b) Angela Ruth S. Torres, the former Senior Customer Service Officer of the Makati Jupiter Business Center, with the Office of the City Prosecutor of the Makati City ("OCP-Makati"). The criminal complaints alleged that the two former employees: (a) falsified bank documents in order to open fictitious U.S. Dollar and Peso denominated accounts in the name of William S. Go DBA Centurix Trading, which were used in the transfer/conversion of US\$81 subject of the BOB Incident, and (b) Angela Ruth S. Torres committed perjury when she executed the affidavit identifying William S. Go as the person who allegedly received the P30 withdrawn from his fictitious Peso account on February 5, 2016. The OCP-Makati found probable cause to charge Mara Santos-Deguito with several counts of falsification. On the other hand, while the OCP-Makati dismissed the charges of falsification against Angela Ruth S. Torres, it found probable cause to charge her for perjury. The criminal cases against Mara Santos-Deguito and Angela Ruth Torres are currently pending before the

Makan Metropolitan Trial Court. The Bank has several other ongoing criminal cases or petitions for review currently pending in relation to actions that it has initiated against former Bank employees in relation to the BOB Incident.

There are no known trends, demands, and commitments, events, or uncertainties that will have a material impact on the Bank's operational performance and ability to service obligations.

Except for the above-mentioned proceedings, the Bank is not aware of any suits and claims by or against it or its subsidiaries, which if decided adversely would have a material effect on its financial position or operating results.

Additional Disclosures to Item I – Financial Statements

Statement of Compliance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. The interim financial statements of the Bank have been prepared in accordance with the Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS).

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Accounting Policies and Methods of Computation. See accompanying Notes to Interim Financial Statements for the detailed discussion of the accounting policies and methods of computation (Note 2).

Seasonality or Cyclicity of Interim Operations. Seasonal or cyclical events and/or conditions do not materially affect the year-round operations of the Bank.

Changes in Estimates of Amounts Reported. There were no changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior interim periods of the current financial year or in estimates of amounts reported in prior financial years.

Issuances, Repurchases and Repayments of Debt and Equity Securities. On March 15, 2018, the bank issued a US\$ 300 million Senior Unsecured Fixed Rate Notes with a coupon and yield at 4.13% with maturity date on March 16, 2023.

On March 5, 2018, the bank has undertaken an update of its US\$ 2 billion Medium Term Note Programme with a coupon and yield at 4.125% with maturity date on March 16, 2023.

Dividends Paid for Ordinary or Other Shares. In its meeting held on March 26, 2018, The Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.6160 per share or a total of approximately P862 million payable to holders of Common Class and a total of approximately P17 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, both were approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on April 5, 2018 and paid on May 7, 2018.

In its meeting held on January 29, 2018, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.0919 per share, or a total of approximately P23 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, which was approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on March 1, 2018 and paid on March 28, 2018.

In its meeting held on October 30, 2017, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.0840 per share, or a total of approximately P23 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, which was approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on December 12, 2017 and paid on December 22, 2017.

In its meeting held on July 31, 2017, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.0840 per share, or a total of approximately P23 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, which was approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on September 5, 2017 and paid on September 22, 2017.

In its meeting held on April 24, 2017, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.0807 per share or a total of approximately P23 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares which was approved by the Bangko Sentral on April 26, 2017 and paid on June 23, 2017. The Board of Directors also approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.5520 per share or a total of approximately P772 million payable to holders of Common Class and a total of approximately P154 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, both were approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on April 26, 2017 and paid on May 25, 2017.

In its meeting held on January 30, 2017, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.07491 per share, or a total of approximately P21 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, which was approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on March 22, 2017 and paid on March 24, 2017.

The details of the cash dividend approvals and distributions from 2017 up to March 31, 2018 are as follows (amounts in Thousand Php except per share figures):

Date Declared	Dividend		Date Approved by the BSP	Date Paid / Payable	Nature of Securities
	Per Share	Total Amount			
30-Jan-17	P 0.0749	P 21	22-Mar-17	24-Mar-17	Convertible Preferred stock
24-Apr-17	P 0.0897	P 23	26-Apr-17	23-Jun-17	Convertible Preferred stock
24-Apr-17	P 0.5520	P 772,754	26-Apr-17	25-May-17	Common Stock
24-Apr-17	P 0.5520	P 154	26-Apr-17	25-May-17	Convertible Preferred Stock
31-Jul-17	P 0.0840	P 23	5-Sep-17	22-Sep-17	Convertible Preferred stock
30-Oct-17	P 0.0840	P 23	12-Dec-17	22-Dec-17	Convertible Preferred Stock
29-Jan-18	P 0.0919	P 23	1-Mar-18	28-Mar-18	Convertible Preferred stock
26-Mar-18	P 0.6160	P 862,340	5-Apr-18	7-May-18	Common Stock
26-Mar-18	P 0.6160	P 17	5-Apr-18	7-May-18	Preferred Stock

Segment Information. The following table presents revenues and expenses of the Parent Company that are directly attributable to primary business segments for the period ended March 31, 2018 (in millions).

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS*					
	Retail Banking Group	Corporate Banking Group	Treasury / Trust	Others	Total
Net interest income	3,974	2,024	262	(1,444)	4,816
Non-interest income	985	470	412	(143)	1,724
Total revenue	4,959	2,494	674	(1,586)	6,541
Non-interest expense	3,624	1,305	151	67	5,147
Income (loss) before income tax	1,336	1,189	523	(1,654)	1,394
Income tax expense	-	-	-	261	261
Net income (loss)	1,336	1,189	523	(1,915)	1,133

*Amounts may not add up due to rounding off.

Material Events Subsequent to the End of the Interim Period Not Reflected in the Financial Statements. On April 27, 2018, the bank re-opened its USD 300 million 4.125% Senior Unsecured Fixed Rate Notes due on March 16, 2023 via a second USD 150 million tranche drawdown off its USD 2 billion Medium Term Note Programme with a re-opening yield of 4.4084% and maturity date on March 16, 2023.

Changes in Composition of the Issuer During the Interim Period. There were no material changes in Composition of the Issuer during the Interim Period.

Changes in Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets. There were no material changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets since the last annual balance sheet date.

Material Contingencies and Any Other Events or Transactions. On January 29, 2018, the bank received the Board of Directors' approval to conduct a Stock Rights Offer to raise up to P15 billion in fresh Common Tier 1 Capital. Timing of transaction is subject to receipt of regulatory approval and market and other conditions.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

Financial Performance

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES								
	Consolidated				Parent			
	Unaudited		Audited		Unaudited		Audited	
	31-Mar-18		31-Dec-17		31-Mar-18		31-Dec-17	
Return on Average Assets (ROA)* ^{1/}	0.81%		0.82%		1.01%		1.02%	
Return on Average Equity (ROE) * ^{2/}	6.82%		6.72%		6.83%		6.74%	
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio	14.61%		15.46%		14.42%		15.33%	
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio ^{3/}	1.17%		1.25%		0.42%		0.54%	
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio ^{4/}	1.15%		1.37%		0.39%		0.48%	
Net Interest Margin (NIM)*	4.07%		4.25%		3.70%		3.85%	
Cost-to-Income Ratio	71.70%		70.92%		69.28%		68.01%	
Loans-to-Deposit Ratio ^{5/}	96.16%		93.38%		97.70%		94.26%	
Current Ratio	0.45		0.47		0.50		0.52	
Liquid Assets -to-Total Assets Ratio	0.18		0.20		0.19		0.20	
Debt-to-Equity Ratio	7.62		7.27		5.98		5.60	
Asset-to- Equity Ratio	8.62		8.27		6.98		6.60	
Asset -to- Liability Ratio	1.13		1.14		1.17		1.18	
Interest Rate Coverage Ratio	1.67		1.73		1.89		1.95	
Earnings per share (EPS)* ^{6/}								
Basic and Diluted	PHP	3.28	PHP	3.08	PHP	3.28	PHP	3.08

*March 31, 2018 ratios/amounts were annualized

^{1/} Average assets for the consolidated and parent ratios were computed based on the 4-month average of end of month balances of total assets. Unaudited net income for the 3-month period ended March 31, 2018 in the amount of P1.133 billion represented the consolidated and parent.

^{2/} Average equity for the consolidated and parent ratios were, likewise, computed based on the 4-month average of end of month balances. Unaudited net income for the 3-month period ended March 31, 2018 in the amount of P1.133 billion represented the consolidated and parent.

^{3/} Non-performing loans (NPLs) were net of total specific allowance for probable losses per BSP Circular No 772 of 2012.

^{4/} NPAs were net of total specific allowance for probable losses.

^{5/} Including Interbank Loans

^{6/} Total weighted average number of issued and outstanding common shares (diluted) as of March 31, 2018 – 1,399,918,362 shares; as of December 31, 2017 – 1,399,916,364 shares.

Performance Indicators for Wholly-Owned/Majority Owned Subsidiaries

RCBC SAVINGS BANK		Unaudited		Audited	
In Php 000s		March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Income	PHP	318,842	Php	1,350,231	
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		1.10%		1.22%	
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		10.38%		11.80%	
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)		13.70%		14.03%	
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		2.47%		3.13%	
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		3.66%		4.09%	
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	41.89	Php	43.74	

RIZAL MICROBANK		Unaudited		Audited	
In Php 000s		March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Loss	PHP	1,959	Php	(9,537)	
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		0.56%		-0.69%	
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		1.33%		-1.54%	
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)		39.67%		43.24%	
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		-0.34%		0.02%	
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		-0.26%		0.01%	
Loss per Share (EPS)*	PHP	0.91	Php	(1.09)	

RCBC CAPITAL CORPORATION and Subsidiaries		Unaudited		Audited	
In Php 000s		March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Income	PHP	73,561	Php	550,269	
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		6.78%		12.40%	
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		7.68%		14.46%	
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)		39.50%		39.36%	
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%	
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.03%		0.03%	
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	2.53	Php	4.66	

RCBC FOREX BROKERS CORPORATION		Unaudited		Audited	
In Php 000s		March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Income	PHP	1,038	Php	4,502	
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		2.38%		2.48%	
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		2.51%		2.60%	
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		94.77%		95.31%	
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%	
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%	
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	8.42	Php	9.00	

*March 31, 2018 ratios/amounts were annualized

RCBC INTERNATIONAL FINANCE, LTD. and Subsidiary	Unaudited		Audited	
In Php 000s	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Loss	PHP	(2,290)	Php	(8,940)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		-6.78%		-6.34%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		-6.95%		-6.49%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		96.70%		97.83%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Loss per Share (EPS)*	PHP	(3.72)	Php	(3.58)

RCBC NORTH AMERICA, INC. ¹	Unaudited		Audited	
In Php 000s	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Loss	PHP	-	PHP	-
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		0.00%		0.00%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		0.00%		0.00%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		58.70%		58.70%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Loss per Share (EPS)*	PHP	-	PHP	-

RCBC TELEMONEY EUROPE S.P.A. ²	Unaudited		Audited	
In Php 000s	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Loss	PHP	(4,885)	Php	(9,172)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		-150.96%		-55.15%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		39.18%		12.43%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		-236.81%		-647.61%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Loss per Share (EPS)*	PHP	(198.10)	Php	(91.72)

RCBC JPL HOLDING COMPANY, INC. (Formerly JP Laurel Bank, Inc.)	Unaudited		Audited	
In Php 000s	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Income (Loss)	PHP	(96)	Php	88
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		-0.20%		0.05%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		0.33%		-0.07%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		-59.65%		-61.78%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Earnings (Loss) per Share (EPS)*	PHP	(0.00)	Php	0.00

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In its meeting held on October 30, 2017, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.0840 per share, or a total of approximately P23 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, which was approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on December 12, 2017 and paid on December 22, 2017.

In its meeting held on July 31, 2017, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.0840 per share, or a total of approximately P23 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, which was approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on September 5, 2017 and paid on September 22, 2017.

In its meeting held on April 24, 2017, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.0807 per share or a total of approximately P23 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares which was approved by the Bangko Sentral on April 26, 2017 and paid on June 23, 2017. The Board of Directors also approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.5520 per share or a total of approximately P772 million payable to holders of Common Class and a total of approximately P154 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, both were approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on April 26, 2017 and paid on May 25, 2017.

In its meeting held on January 30, 2017, the Board of Directors approved the declaration and payment of cash dividends amounting to P0.07491 per share, or a total of approximately P21 thousand payable to holders of Preferred Class shares, which was approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas on March 22, 2017 and paid on March 24, 2017.

The details of the cash dividend approvals and distributions from 2017 up to March 31, 2018 are as follows (amounts in Thousand Php except per share figures):

Date Declared	Dividend		Date Approved by the BSP	Date Paid / Payable	Nature of Securities
	Per Share	Total Amount			
30-Jan-17	P 0.0749	P 21	22-Mar-17	24-Mar-17	Convertible Preferred stock
24-Apr-17	P 0.0807	P 23	26-Apr-17	23-Jun-17	Convertible Preferred stock
24-Apr-17	P 0.5520	P 772,754	26-Apr-17	25-May-17	Common Stock
24-Apr-17	P 0.5520	P 154	26-Apr-17	25-May-17	Convertible Preferred Stock
31-Jul-17	P 0.0840	P 23	5-Sep-17	22-Sep-17	Convertible Preferred stock
30-Oct-17	P 0.0840	P 23	12-Dec-17	22-Dec-17	Convertible Preferred Stock
29-Jan-18	P 0.0919	P 23	1-Mar-18	28-Mar-18	Convertible Preferred stock
26-Mar-18	P 0.6160	P 862,340	5-Apr-18	7-May-18	Common Stock
26-Mar-18	P 0.6160	P 17	5-Apr-18	7-May-18	Preferred Stock

Segment Information. The following table presents revenues and expenses of the Parent Company that are directly attributable to primary business segments for the period ended March 31, 2018 (in millions).

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS*

	Retail Banking Group	Corporate Banking Group	Treasury / Trust	Others	Total
Net interest income	3,974	2,024	262	(1,444)	4,816
Non-interest income	985	470	412	(143)	1,724
Total revenue	4,959	2,494	674	(1,586)	6,541
Non-interest expense	3,624	1,305	151	67	5,147
Income (loss) before income tax	1,336	1,189	523	(1,654)	1,394
Income tax expense	-	-	-	261	261
Net income (loss)	1,336	1,189	523	(1,915)	1,133

*Amounts may not add up due to rounding off.

Material Events Subsequent to the End of the Interim Period Not Reflected in the Financial Statements.

On April 27, 2018, the bank re-opened its USD 300 million 4.125% Senior Unsecured Fixed Rate Notes due on March 16, 2023 via a second USD 150 million tranche drawdown off its USD 2 billion Medium Term Note Programme with a re-opening yield of 4.4084% and maturity date on March 16, 2023.

Changes in Composition of the Issuer During the Interim Period. There were no material changes in Composition of the Issuer during the Interim Period.

Changes in Contingent Liabilities or Contingent Assets. There were no material changes in contingent liabilities or contingent assets since the last annual balance sheet date.

Material Contingencies and Any Other Events or Transactions. On January 29, 2018, the bank received the Board of Directors' approval to conduct a Stock Rights Offer to raise up to P15 billion in fresh Common Tier 1 Capital. Timing of transaction is subject to receipt of regulatory approval and market and other conditions.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

Financial Performance

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES								
	Consolidated		Parent		Unaudited		Audited	
	Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited	Unaudited	Audited
	31-Mar-18	31-Dec-17	31-Mar-18	31-Dec-17	31-Mar-18	31-Dec-17	31-Mar-18	31-Dec-17
Return on Average Assets (ROA)* ^{1/}	0.81%	0.82%	1.01%	1.02%				
Return on Average Equity (ROE) * ^{2/}	6.82%	6.72%	6.83%	6.74%				
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio	14.61%	15.46%	14.42%	15.33%				
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio ^{3/}	1.17%	1.25%	0.42%	0.54%				
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio ^{4/}	1.15%	1.37%	0.39%	0.48%				
Net Interest Margin (NIM)*	4.07%	4.25%	3.70%	3.85%				
Cost-to-Income Ratio	71.70%	70.92%	69.28%	68.01%				
Loans-to-Deposit Ratio ^{5/}	96.16%	93.38%	97.70%	94.26%				
Current Ratio	0.45	0.47	0.50	0.52				
Liquid Assets -to-Total Assets Ratio	0.18	0.20	0.19	0.20				
Debt-to-Equity Ratio	7.62	7.27	5.98	5.60				
Asset-to- Equity Ratio	8.62	8.27	6.98	6.60				
Asset -to- Liability Ratio	1.13	1.14	1.17	1.18				
Interest Rate Coverage Ratio	1.67	1.73	1.89	1.95				
Earnings per share (EPS)* ^{6/}								
Basic and Diluted	PHP 3.28	PHP 3.08	PHP 3.28	PHP 3.08				

*March 31, 2018 ratios/amounts were annualized

^{1/} Average assets for the consolidated and parent ratios were computed based on the 4-month average of end of month balances of total assets. Unaudited net income for the 3-month period ended March 31, 2018 in the amount of P1.133 billion represented the consolidated and parent.

^{2/} Average equity for the consolidated and parent ratios were, likewise, computed based on the 4-month average of end of month balances. Unaudited net income for the 3-month period ended March 31, 2018 in the amount of P1.133 billion represented the consolidated and parent.

^{3/} Non-performing loans (NPLs) were net of total specific allowance for probable losses per BSP Circular No. 772 of 2012.

^{4/} NPAs were net of total specific allowance for probable losses.

^{5/} Including Interbank Loans

^{6/} Total weighted average number of issued and outstanding common shares (diluted) as of March 31, 2018 – 1,399,918,362 shares; as of December 31, 2017 – 1,399,916,364 shares.

Performance Indicators for Wholly-Owned/Majority Owned Subsidiaries

RCBC SAVINGS BANK		Unaudited	Audited
In Php 000s		March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Net Income	PHP	318,842	Php 1,350,231
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		1.10%	1.22%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		10.38%	11.80%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)		13.70%	14.03%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		2.47%	3.13%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		3.66%	4.09%
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	41.69	Php 43.74

RIZAL MICROBANK		Unaudited	Audited
In Php 000s		March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Net Loss	PHP	1,959	Php (9,537)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		0.56%	-0.69%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		1.33%	-1.54%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)		39.67%	43.24%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		-0.34%	0.02%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		-0.26%	0.01%
Loss per Share (EPS)*	PHP	0.91	Php (1.09)

RCBC CAPITAL CORPORATION and Subsidiaries		Unaudited	Audited
In Php 000s		March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Net Income	PHP	73,561	Php 550,269
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		5.78%	12.40%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		7.68%	14.46%
BIS Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR)		39.50%	39.36%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%	0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.03%	0.03%
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	2.53	Php 4.66

RCBC FOREX BROKERS CORPORATION		Unaudited	Audited
In Php 000s		March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Net Income	PHP	1,038	Php 4,502
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		2.38%	2.48%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		2.51%	2.60%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		94.77%	95.31%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%	0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%	0.00%
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	8.42	Php 9.00

*March 31, 2018 ratios/amounts were annualized

RCBC INTERNATIONAL FINANCE, LTD. and Subsidiary	Unaudited		Audited	
In Php 000s	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Loss	PHP	(2,290)	Php	(8,940)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		-6.78%		-6.34%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		-6.95%		-6.49%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		96.70%		97.83%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Loss per Share (EPS)*	PHP	(3.72)	Php	(3.58)

RCBC NORTH AMERICA, INC. ¹	Unaudited		Audited	
In Php 000s	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Loss	PHP	-	PHP	-
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		0.00%		0.00%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		0.00%		0.00%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		58.70%		58.70%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Loss per Share (EPS)*	PHP	-	PHP	-

RCBC TELEMONTY EUROPE S.P.A. ²	Unaudited		Audited	
In Php 000s	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Loss	PHP	(4,885)	Php	(9,172)
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		-150.96%		-55.15%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		39.18%		12.43%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		-236.81%		-647.61%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Loss per Share (EPS)*	PHP	(198.10)	Php	(91.72)

RCBC-JPL HOLDING COMPANY, INC. (Formerly JP Laurel Bank, Inc.)	Unaudited		Audited	
In Php 000s	March 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
Net Income (Loss)	PHP	(96)	Php	88
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		-0.20%		0.05%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		0.33%		-0.07%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		-59.65%		-61.78%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%		0.00%
Earnings (Loss) per Share (EPS)*	PHP	(0.00)	Php	0.00

*March 31, 2018 ratios/amounts were annualized

¹The company ceased its operations in March 2014. Waiting for final liquidation closure.

²The company ceased its operations in March 2016. Waiting for final liquidation closure.

NIYOG PROPERTY HOLDINGS, INC.		Unaudited	Audited
In Php 000s		March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Net Income	PHP	15,499	Php 134,909
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		8.11%	18.42%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		8.50%	19.32%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		94.08%	96.05%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		0.00%	0.00%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		0.00%	0.00%
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	45.19	Php 96.99

RCBC LEASING AND FINANCE CORP. and Subsidiary		Unaudited	Audited
In Php 000s		March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Net Income	PHP	28,122	Php 91,147
Return on Average Assets (ROA)*		1.24%	1.10%
Return on Average Equity (ROE)*		16.07%	13.64%
Capital to Total Assets Ratio		7.09%	7.87%
Non-Performing Loans (NPL) Ratio		6.43%	8.61%
Non-Performing Assets (NPA) Ratio		5.71%	6.65%
Earnings per Share (EPS)*	PHP	0.25	Php 0.189

*March 31, 2018 ratios/amounts were annualized

31 March 2018 vs 31 December 2017

RCBC's Total Assets grew by 5.65% or P31.303 billion from P553.988 to P585.292 billion mainly due to the increase in Loans and Receivables, Net and Investment Securities.

Cash and other Cash Items decreased by P6.10% or P896 million from P14.693 to P13.797 billion.

Due from Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, representing 9.75% of total resources, stood at P57.109 billion. Due from other banks increased by 11.81% or P2.340 billion from P19.818 billion to P22.159 billion, mainly due to increase in foreign bank placements. Total trading investment securities, representing 15.14% of Total Resources, increased by 21.59% or P15.747 billion from P72.932 billion to P88.679 billion attributable to 63.06% or P3.382 billion increase in Financial Assets at Fair Value through other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI) from P5.364 billion to P8.746 billion and 22.55% or P13.526 billion increase in Hold-to-Collect (HTC) portfolio from P59.977 billion to P73.502 billion.

Loans under reverse repurchase agreement decreased by 13.75% or P1.352 billion from P9.831 billion to P8.479 billion mainly due to lower placements with the BSP.

Loans and Receivables-net stood at P371.560 billion and represented 63.48% of total resources. This was primarily as a result of increase in the volume of loan releases.

Investment Properties, net increased by 5.47% or P186 million from P3.399 to P3.584 billion attributable to additional foreclosed properties made by subsidiaries.

Deposit liabilities were recorded at P394.614 billion and represented 67.37% of Total Resource. Demand deposits stood at P52.495 billion at accounted for 8.96% of Total Resources; Savings Deposits were recorded at P167.483 billion and accounted for 28.59% of Total Resources. Time deposits reached P174.635 billion and accounted for 29.82% of total resources.

Bills payable increased by 14.78% or P6.497 billion from P43.967 billion to P50.464 billion mainly attributable to higher foreign borrowings; it represented 8.62% of total resources. Bonds payable increased by 60.12% or P16.870 billion from P28.060 billion to P44.930 primarily as a result of issuance of U.S.\$300 million senior notes in March 2018. Accrued taxes, interest and other expenses payable increased by 8.28% or P346 million from P4.185 billion to P4.531 billion mainly due to increase in accruals for interest and other expenses.

Other Liabilities increased by 7.06% or P873 million from P12.371 billion to P13.245 billion.

Total liabilities grew by 6.32% or P30.793 billion from P486.963 billion to P517.756 and represented 88.40% of Total Resources

Total Capital Funds stood at P67.536 billion and accounted for 11.54% of Total Resources.

Finally, there are no known trends, demands, and commitments, events, or uncertainties that will have a material impact on the Bank's operational performance and ability to service obligations.

31 March 2018 vs. 31 March 2017

Total interest income increased by 19.45% or P1.125 billion from P5.781 billion to P6.906 billion and accounted for 105.58% of total operating income. Interest income on loans and receivables went up by 24.09% or P1.217 billion from P5.054 billion to P6.271 billion and accounted for 95.87% of total operating income. The increase is mainly due to increase in average yield and volume of Loans and Receivables. Interest income on investment securities was recorded at P599 million and accounted for 9.15% of total

operating income. Other interest income decreased by 75.11% or P108 million from P144 million to P36 million primarily as a result of lower income on Term Deposits due to lower volume of placements.

Total interest expense increased by 27.92% or P456 million from P1.633 billion to P2.089 billion and accounted 31.94% of total operating income. Interest expense from deposit liabilities grew by 35.55% from P933 million to P1.264 billion primarily as a result of increase in deposit level in terms of ADB coupled by increase in average cost; it represented 19.33% of total operating income. Interest expense on bills payable and other borrowings increased by 17.78% or P125 million from P701 million to P825 million mainly due to increase in Bills Payable and Bonds Payable. As a result, net interest income increased by 16.12% or P668 million from P4.148 billion to P4.816 billion.

The Group booked higher impairment losses at P457 million, up by 37% or P123 million from P333 million and represented 6.98% of total operating income. Increase in impairments losses net was mainly due to additional provisions for Credit Card Receivables as a result of implementation of ECL coupled by higher volume year on year.

The Other operating income of P1.724 billion which accounted for 26.36% of total operating income was an improvement of 6.15% or P100 million and is broken down as follows:

- Service fees and commissions declined by 8.72% or P76 million largely due to lower fees from investment banking and lower commitment fees on loans
- Trading and securities gain-net declined by 125.78% or P48 million from P38 million trading gain to a Trading Loss of P10 million, attributable to unrealized mark to market trading losses.
- Foreign exchange gains increased by 134.19% or P197 million from P147 million to P344 million attributable to higher FX trading gains
- Trust fees settled at P68 million.
- Miscellaneous income went up by 5.45% or P27 million from P501 billion to P528 billion brought about by higher dividend income and rental income

Operating expenses, accounted for 71.70% of Total Operating Income, increased by 11.64% or P489 million from P4.201 billion to P4.690 billion due to the following:

- Manpower costs increased by 7.15% or P105 million from P1.470 billion to P1.575 billion, as a result of increase in headcount and regular salary adjustment. It consumed 24.09% of the total operating income;
- Occupancy and equipment-related stood at P791 million and consumed 12.10% of Total operating income;
- Taxes and licenses grew by 29.21% or P126 million from P432 million to P558 million primarily as a result of higher Documentary Stamp Tax expense as a result of higher DST rates imposed on debt instruments due to TRAIN;
- Depreciation and amortization was recorded at P454 million;
- Miscellaneous expenses went up by 21.08% or P228 million to settle at P1.311 billion from P1.083 billion primarily as a result of higher service fees and other credit card related expenses

Tax expense increased by 10.70% or P25 million from P236 million to P261 million higher taxable income for the period.

Net profit attributable to non-controlling interest settled at P1 million.

Overall, net income increased by 13.06% or P131 million from P1.002 billion to P1.133 billion.

There were no significant elements of income or loss that did not arise from the bank's continuing operations.

Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

See accompanying Notes to FS for the detailed discussion of Commitments and Contingent Liabilities and the summary of contingencies and commitments arising from off-balance sheet items at their equivalent peso contractual amounts (Note 13).

There are also no known trends, events or uncertainties that have had or that are reasonably expected to have a material favorable or unfavorable impact on net sales/revenues/income from continuing operations.

There were no material off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements, obligations (including contingent obligations), and other relationships of the company with unconsolidated entities or other persons created during the reporting period.

Similarly, there were no significant elements of income or loss that did not arise from the Bank's continuing operations.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized

Issuer RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION

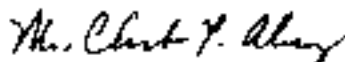
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PSAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION
Aging of Other Receivables
31-Mar-18
(Amounts in PHP)

	1-90 days	91-180 days	181-1 year	Over one year	Total	Allow	Net
Accounts Receivable	712,795,173.48	212,898,100.04	141,589,914.03	868,171,327.58	1,935,395,515.13	340,851,384.24	1,805,398,131.14

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2. All Boxes must be properly and completely filled up. Failure to do so shall cause the delay in updating the corporation's records with the Commission and/or non-receipt of Notice of Delinquencies. Further, non-receipt of Notice of Delinquencies shall not excuse the corporation from liability for its delinquencies.



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STATEMENT OF MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The management of Rural Commercial Banking and Subsidiaries (the Group), is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including the schedules attached thereto, for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, in accordance with the prescribed financial reporting framework indicated therein, 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 Group'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 Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative to do so.

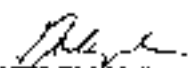
The Board of Directors is responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

The Board of Directors reviews and approves the financial statements, including the schedules attached therein, and submits the same to the stockholders.

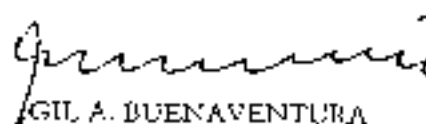
Panongbayan & Araullo, the independent auditors appointed by the stockholders, have audited the financial statements of the Group in accordance with Philippine Standards on Auditing, and in their report to the stockholders, have expressed their opinion on the fairness of presentation upon completion of such audit.

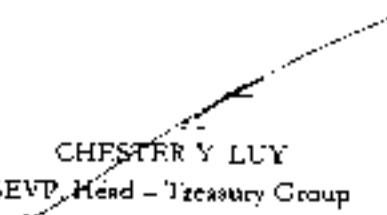


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SVP, Head - Controllershship Group

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, this **MAR 12 2018** day of _____, 2018 at Makati City, Philippines, affiants exhibited to me their valid identifications, to wit:

Name	ID No.	Date/Place of Issue
Helen Y. Dee	Driver's License N11-75 016658	4/28/2015, Makati
Gil A. Buena Ventura	Passport No. P1316244A	12/19/2016, Manila
Chester Y. Luy	Passport No. EC1750463	07/28/2014, Singapore
Florentino M. Madonza	PRC License 0088956	8/3/2017, Manila

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Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and subsidiaries (together hereinafter referred to as the Group) and of Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation (the Parent Company), which comprise the statements of financial position as at December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the statements of profit or loss, statements of comprehensive income, statements of changes in equity and statements of cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2017, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Group and of the Parent Company as at December 31, 2017 and 2016, and their financial performance and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2017 in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with Philippine Standards on Auditing (PSA). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants in the Philippines (Code of Ethics) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audits of the financial statements in the Philippines, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key audit matters identified in our audit of the financial statements of the Group and of the Parent Company:

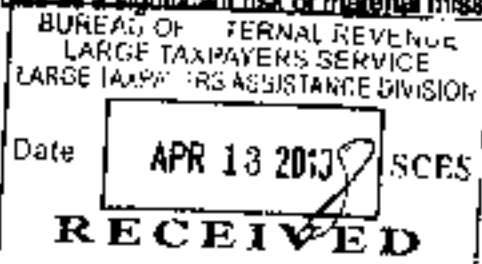
(a) Impairment of Loans and Receivables

Description of the Matter

As of December 31, 2017, the Group's loans and receivables amounted to P354,243 million, net of allowance for impairment of P7,993 million, while the Parent Company's loans and receivables amounted to P265,791 million, net of allowance for impairment of P4,942 million, which details are disclosed in Note 11 to the financial statements. Loans and receivables are the most significant resources of the Group and the Parent Company which represented 64% and 60% of the total resources, respectively. Both the Group's and the Parent Company's management exercise significant judgment and use subjective estimates in determining when loans and receivables are impaired and how much impairment loss are required to be recognized in the financial statements. These judgment and estimates are set out in the Group's and the Parent Company's accounting policies in Note 2 to the financial statements, which describes the following impairment assessments.

- Loans and receivables are assessed for impairment on an individual basis if there is objective evidence of impairment that exists (or a loss event) as of the end of the reporting period. Management considers the following in determining that a loss event occurred, among others, a significant financial difficulty of the issuer or obligor; a breach of contract, such as a default or delinquency in interest or principal payments; and, it becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganizations. Loss events are assessed by management and are assigned to individually impaired loan and receivable according to the following credit grades: substandard, doubtful and loss, depending on the level of credit risk.
- Collective assessments are made on a portfolio basis where loans and receivables are grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics (i.e., on the basis of management's grading process that considers asset type, industry, geographical location, collateral type, past due status and other relevant factors). The methodology utilized by management in collective impairment assessment uses significant assumptions such as default rate and loss given default, which are applied to each portfolio belonging to a particular group and credit grade.

Because of the significance of the amounts involved and subjectivity of management's judgment and estimates used, we identified the inadequacy of the allowance for impairment on loans and receivables as a significant risk of material misstatement in the financial statements.



How the Matter was Addressed in the Audit

We established reliance on the Group's and the Parent Company's internal control by testing the design and operating effectiveness of key activities-level controls over the assessment and approval of customer credit; the capturing of information relevant to calculation of the amount of allowance for impairment (e.g., risk grades, default rates and loss given defaults); and, the calculation and recognition of impairment loss.

In addition, we performed substantive audit procedures, which included, among others:

- checking and evaluating the methodology used by management whether it was in accordance with the individual and collective impairment assessments prescribed by Philippine Accounting Standard (PAS) 39, *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*;
- on selected loan accounts, checking whether the loans identified for individual impairment assessment were appropriately classified according to credit grades and recalculating the net present values of expected future cash inflows using the effective interest rates applicable to each loan, which were compared to the outstanding balances of the loans; and,
- evaluating management's judgment applied in determining the significant assumptions and inputs used in computing the impairment loss for collective assessment such as default rates and loss given defaults by reviewing payment history for selected loans per economic activity or industry classification and credit grade.

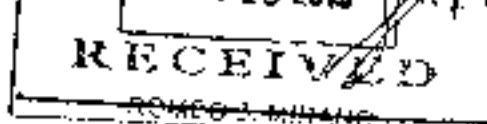
(b) Fair Value Measurement of Unquoted Security Classified at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss

Description of the Matter

The Group and the Parent Company has significant investment in an unquoted equity security classified at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL) amounting to P543 million as of December 31, 2017, on which management recognized P43 million fair value loss in profit or loss in 2017. The valuation of such financial instrument involves a complex valuation technique (i.e., price-to-book value method) and significant estimation which are highly dependent on underlying assumptions and inputs such as price-to-book ratios of comparable listed entities and application of a certain haircut rate. These inputs are considered Level 3 unobservable inputs in the fair value hierarchy under PFRS 13, *Fair Value Measurement*, as discussed in Notes 3 and 7 to the financial statements. Accordingly, the valuation of such security was considered significant to our audit.

How the Matter was Addressed in the Audit

Our work included evaluating the appropriateness of management's valuation methodology in accordance with PFRS 13. We used our own internal valuation expert to assess and challenge the valuation assumptions used, including the identification of comparable listed entities and the related financial information such as net book value per share and quoted prices of those listed entities. In testing the reasonableness of the haircut rate used, we reviewed available non-financial information relevant to the assessment of the potential marketability of the subject security, and the consistency of the application of the haircut rate used in prior period in light of the current industry and economic circumstances.



(c) Appropriateness of Disposal of Investment Securities at Amortized Cost

Description of the Matter

As of December 31, 2017, the Parent Company carries in its financial statements investment securities held under its hold-to-collect (HTC) business model, which are measured at amortized amounting to P48,141 million. In 2017, it disposed of a portion of its US dollar-denominated HTC securities with face value of US\$449 million (P22,466 million) and carrying amount of P22,278 million. The disposal was made in anticipation to the possible impact on the Parent Company's qualifying capital in connection with the adoption of PFRS 9 (2014), *Financial Instruments*, in 2018 which would require recognition of additional allowance for impairment on certain financial assets under the expected credit loss model; and as a result, would diminish the Parent Company's existing level of qualifying capital. The disposal aims for the Parent Company to ensure its continuing regulatory compliance with the required minimum Common Equity Tier 1 ratio by the BSP.

Management assessed that such disposal remains to be consistent with the Parent Company's HTC business model for the portfolio with the objective of collecting contractual cash flows. The assessment to determine whether the disposal of the HTC securities is consistent with the Parent Company's HTC business model is significant to our audit because the assessments involve significant judgment and would impact the measurement of the investment securities in the affected portfolios. The disclosures in relation to these matters are included in Note 10 while the disclosures of the Parent Company's assessment of the business model applied in managing financial instruments are presented in Note 2 to the financial statements.

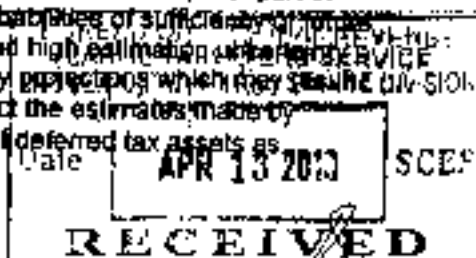
How the Matter was Addressed in the Audit

We confirmed the appropriateness of the Parent Company's disposal of the US dollar denominated HTC securities by reviewing the documentation of the approval of the Parent Company's Executive Committee on June 28, 2017 as required by the BSP, which was ratified by the Parent Company's Board of Directors. We assessed whether the disposals are made consistent with the permitted sale events documented in the Parent Company's business model in managing financial assets manual and with the relevant requirements of both the financial reporting standard and the BSP. We also assessed the appropriateness and reasonableness of the underlying data used and the rationale documented by the Parent Company in the determination of the amount of HTC securities disposed of relative to the current and forecasted level of qualifying capital sufficient to ensure continuing compliance with the regulatory requirements of the BSP.

(d) Recoverability of Deferred Tax Assets

Description of the Matter

The Group's and the Parent Company's deferred tax assets amounted to P1,896 million and P842 million, respectively, as of December 31, 2017. The recognition of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and adjusted to the extent of the changes in probability that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of such deferred tax assets to be utilized. Determining the probability of sufficient taxable profits involves significant management judgment and high estimation uncertainty as it requires preparation of financial forecast and profitability projections which may vary in different outcome scenarios; hence, may significantly affect the estimates made by management. Accordingly, we identified the recoverability of deferred tax assets as a significant area of focus in our audit.



How the Matter was Addressed in the Audit

Our work included, among others, obtaining management's income projections based on its Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process document. Relative to this, we reviewed the appropriateness of management's assumptions underlying the recoverability of the deferred tax assets by comparing the forecasts to our expectations developed based on historical performance. We also considered the fact that the Group and the Parent Company have been utilizing the benefits of deferred tax assets since prior periods.

The relevant information relating to deferred tax assets are disclosed in Notes 2, 3 and 26 to the financial statements

Key audit matter we identified in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the Group:

Assessment of Goodwill Impairment

Description of the Matter

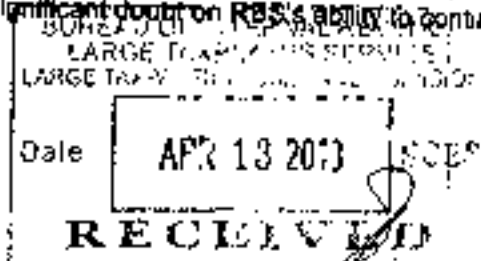
As of December 31, 2017, the balance of goodwill amounted to P268 million, which is included as part of the Other Resources account in the Group's statement of financial position. Under PFRS, goodwill, having indefinite useful life, is not subject to amortization but is required to be tested for impairment annually, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of goodwill may be impaired. This annual impairment test was significant to our audit because management's assessment process is complex and highly judgmental, and is based on significant assumptions, specifically on the identification of cash generating units (CGUs) where the goodwill is allocated and the future cash flows of that, particular CGUs, which are affected by expected future market or economic conditions. Relative to this, the Group engaged a third party valuation specialist to assist them in assessing any impairment on the recognized goodwill. Management's significant assumptions include:

- RCB Savings Bank, Inc. (RSB), the identified CGU on which the goodwill is allocated, will continue as a going concern,
- RSB will have sufficient financial resources to finance its working capital requirements to achieve its projected forecast and to support the business needs, and,
- RSB's performance forecasts for the next five years.

The Group's accounting policy on impairment of and disclosures about goodwill are included in Notes 2 and 15, respectively, to the financial statements

How the Matter was Addressed in the Audit

Our audit procedures included, among others, evaluating the assumptions and methodologies used by management and its valuation specialist, particularly those relating to the forecasted revenue growth and profit margins of RSB by considering historical trends. In addition, our audit on the financial statements of RSB as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017 did not identify event or conditions that may cast significant doubt on RSB's ability to continue as a going concern.





Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Group's and the Parent Company's Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Form 20-1S (Definitive Information Statement), SEC Form 17-A and Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2017, but does not include the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The SEC Form 20-1S, SEC Form 17-A and Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2017 are expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditors' report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audits of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audits, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

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 PFRS, 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 Group's and the Parent Company'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 Group and the Parent Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's and the Parent Company'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 PSA 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 PSA, 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.

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- 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 Group's and the Parent Company'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 Group's and the Parent Company'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 Group and the Parent Company 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.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

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.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditors' report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. As discussed in Note 26 to the financial statements, the Parent Company presented the supplementary information required by the Bureau of Internal Revenue under Revenue Regulations (RR) 15-2010 and RR 19-2011 in a supplementary schedule filed separately from the basic financial statements. RR 15-2010 and RR 19-2011 require the supplementary information to be presented in the notes to financial statements. Such supplementary information is the responsibility of management. The supplementary information is not a required part of the basic financial statements prepared in accordance with PFRS; it is neither a required disclosure under the Securities Regulation Code Rule 68, as amended, of the SEC.

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The engagement partner on the audits resulting in this Independent auditors' report is **Maria Isabel E. Comedia**.

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RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016
(Amounts in Millions of Philippine Pesos)


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RESOURCES

		GROUP		PARENT COMPANY	
		2017	2016	2017	2016
CASH AND OTHER CASH ITEMS					
	9	P 14,693	P 15,176	P 30,415	P 11,007
DUE FROM BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS					
	9	58,801	66,520	47,186	50,871
DUE FROM OTHER BANKS					
	9	19,818	25,293	18,368	24,109
LOANS ARISING FROM REVERSE PURCHASE AGREEMENT					
	9	9,831	7,889	7,435	4,931
TRADING AND INVESTMENT SECURITIES - Net					
	10	72,932	75,622	58,133	65,652
LOANS AND RECEIVABLES - Net					
	11	354,243	306,167	265,791	228,432
INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES AND ASSOCIATES - Net					
	12	417	383	19,018	17,178
BANK PREMISES, FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT - Net					
	13	8,946	8,876	5,197	5,119
INVESTMENT PROPERTIES - Net					
	14	3,399	3,229	2,765	2,816
DEFERRED TAX ASSETS					
	16	1,896	2,177	942	1,285
OTHER RESOURCES - Net					
	15	9,012	9,861	6,306	6,316

TOTAL RESOURCES

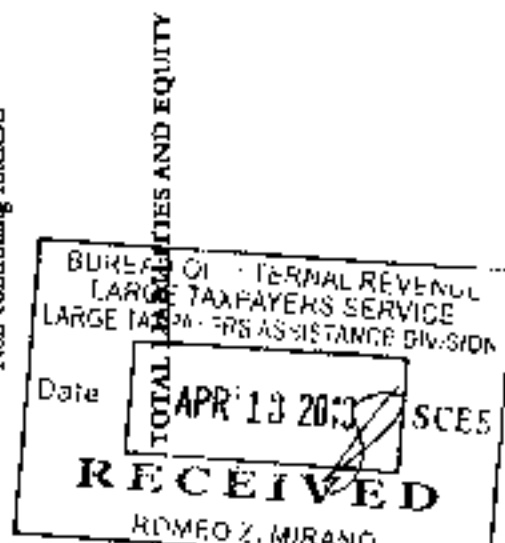
P	553,980	P	521,193	P	441,576	P	417,982
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LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

Notes	GROUP		PARENT COMPANY					
	2017	2016	2017	2016				
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY								
DEPOSIT LIABILITIES								
17	P	385,412	P	353,077	P	288,667	P	262,165
18		43,967		37,643		36,600		31,712
19		28,060		41,595		28,060		41,595
20		9,968		9,952		9,968		9,952
21		4,185		4,323		3,218		3,633
22		12,369		11,270		8,134		8,688
		486,961		459,060		374,647		355,745
23	EQUITY							
	Attributable to:							
	Parent Company's Shareholders							
	Non-controlling Interests							
		66,999		62,107		66,929		62,037
		28		28				
		67,027		62,135		66,929		62,037
	P	553,988	P	521,193	P	441,576	P	417,782

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RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
STATEMENTS OF PROFIT OR LOSS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017, 2016 AND 2015
(Amounts in Millions of Philippine Pesos, Except Per Share Data)

Notes	GROUP			PARENT COMPANY		
	2017	2016	2015	2017	2016	2015
INTEREST INCOME						
Loans and receivables	P 21,946	P 19,442	P 17,462	P 15,881	P 13,219	P 12,163
Trading and investment securities	2,784	3,260	3,880	2,309	2,927	3,455
Others	378	426	178	277	383	145
	<u>25,118</u>	<u>23,137</u>	<u>21,520</u>	<u>18,467</u>	<u>16,529</u>	<u>15,763</u>
INTEREST EXPENSE						
Deposit liabilities	3,959	3,269	2,962	2,389	2,121	2,006
Bills payable and other borrowings	3,138	4,161	2,951	2,883	3,945	2,832
	<u>7,097</u>	<u>7,430</u>	<u>5,913</u>	<u>5,272</u>	<u>6,066</u>	<u>4,838</u>
	<u>18,021</u>	<u>15,707</u>	<u>15,607</u>	<u>13,195</u>	<u>10,563</u>	<u>10,925</u>
	<u>2,155</u>	<u>1,770</u>	<u>3,350</u>	<u>1,364</u>	<u>856</u>	<u>1,150</u>
	<u>15,866</u>	<u>13,937</u>	<u>12,257</u>	<u>11,831</u>	<u>9,707</u>	<u>9,775</u>
OTHER OPERATING INCOME						
Service fees and commissions	3,138	3,196	3,473	1,985	1,762	1,793
Trading and securities gains - net	980	1,619	1,327	664	1,663	1,232
Exchange gains - net	798	276	260	773	244	212
Other income	279	294	286	226	243	232
Net earnings of subsidiaries	92	131	93	2,130	1,300	1,535
Goodwill impairment - net	1,893	1,598	1,216	1,129	1,084	839
	<u>7,100</u>	<u>7,114</u>	<u>6,655</u>	<u>6,887</u>	<u>5,495</u>	<u>5,843</u>
	<u>22,966</u>	<u>21,051</u>	<u>19,282</u>	<u>19,118</u>	<u>16,203</u>	<u>15,618</u>

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NET INTEREST INCOME
INTEREST INCOME
INTEREST LOSSES - Net
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INTEREST LOSSES
OTHER OPERATING INCOME
OTHER INCOME
NET EARNINGS OF SUBSIDIARIES
GOODWILL IMPAIRMENT - net
NET EARNINGS
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME (P10,000)

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 Signature **[Signature]**
 Title **CEO**

Notes	GROUP				PARENT COMPANY			
	2017	2016	2015		2017	2016	2015	
	P	P	P		P	P	P	
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	22,966	21,051	19,382		14,118	16,203	15,618	
OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES								
Employee benefits	6,037	5,408	4,731		4,211	3,666	3,190	
Occupancy and equipment-related	3,166	2,871	2,607		2,473	2,180	1,917	
Depreciation and amortization	1,914	1,766	1,611		1,085	985	1,020	
Taxes and licenses	2,821	1,940	1,437		1,289	1,287	938	
Miscellaneous	4,679	5,470	4,675		4,055	4,556	3,396	
	17,515	17,255	15,061		13,113	12,674	10,471	
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	5,151	3,606	4,821		5,005	3,529	5,147	
TAX EXPENSE (INCOME)	641 (	174 (	307 (		697 (	339 (	18	
	4,310	3,870	5,128		4,308	3,868	5,129	
NET PROFIT								
ATTRIBUTABLE TO:								
PARENT COMPANY'S SHAREHOLDERS	4,308	3,868	5,129					
NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS	2	2 (1 (
	4,310	3,870	5,128					
	3,08	2,76	3,07					

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PARENT COMPANY'S SHAREHOLDERS

NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS



RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017, 2016 AND 2015
(Amounts in Millions of Philippine Pesos)

Notes	GROUP			PARENT COMPANY		
	2017	2016	2015	2017	2016	2015
NET PROFIT	P 4,310	P 3,870	P 5,125	P 4,308	P 3,868	P 5,129
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)						
1. Actual gains (losses) on defined benefit plan	1,510 (	125) (	1,045)	1,491 (	549) (	983)
10, 29 Fair value gains (losses) on financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	(196)	1,442 (	140) (	249)	1,395	220)
	<u>1,314</u>	<u>1,117</u> (	<u>1,185)</u>	<u>1,240</u>	<u>1,246</u>	<u>1,207)</u>
12, 24 Share in other comprehensive income of the subsidiaries and associates:	4	-	1	23	24	57)
10, 12, 25 Actual gains (losses) on defined benefit plan	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fair value gains on financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	4	-	-	113	47	77
	<u>1,318</u>	<u>1,117</u> (	<u>1,184)</u>	<u>1,336</u>	<u>1,117</u> (	<u>1,187)</u>
18, 29 Total other comprehensive income (loss) of the subsidiaries	(1)	25 (	30) (	1)	25 (	10)
29 Total other comprehensive income (loss)	<u>1,317</u>	<u>1,142</u> (	<u>1,154)</u>	<u>1,337</u>	<u>1,142</u> (	<u>1,197)</u>
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	P 5,627	P 5,012	P 5,974	P 5,645	P 5,015	P 5,932
P 5,665	F 5,015	P 3,932				
2	2	2	2			
P 5,667	P 5,012	P 3,934				

NET PROFIT

OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss

Actual gains (losses) on defined benefit plan

Fair value gains (losses) on financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

Share in other comprehensive income of the subsidiaries and associates:

Actual gains (losses) on defined benefit plan

Fair value gains on financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

Items that will be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss

Share in other comprehensive income (loss) of the subsidiaries and associates

Total other comprehensive income (loss)

TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR

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MEMO	PARENT COMPANY									
	COMMON STOCK	RESERVED STOCK	CAPITAL PAID BY EXCESS OF PAR	HYBRID PERPETUAL SECURITIES	REVALUATION SURPLUS	RESERVE FOR TRUST BUSINESS	SURPLUS	TOTAL EQUITY		
Balance at January 1, 2015	15,000		22,435				21,401	44,001		
Transactions with owners										
Cash dividends										
Total comprehensive income for the year										
Transfer of the value given on financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income to surplus					(1,213)					
Transfer from surplus to reserve for trust business										
Balance at December 31, 2015	15,000		22,435				21,401	44,001		
Balance at January 1, 2016	15,000		22,435				21,401	44,001		
Transactions with owners										
Cash dividends										
Total comprehensive income for the year										
Transfer of the value given on financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income to surplus										
Transfer from surplus to reserve for trust business										
Balance at December 31, 2016	15,000		22,435				21,401	44,001		
Balance at January 1, 2017	15,000		22,435				21,401	44,001		
Transactions with owners										
Cash dividends										
Total comprehensive income for the year										
Transfer of the value given on financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income to surplus										
Transfer from surplus to reserve for trust business										
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Transactions with owners										
Cash dividends										
Total comprehensive income for the year										
Transfer of the value given on financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income to surplus										
Transfer from surplus to reserve for trust business										
Balance at December 31, 2019	15,000		22,435				21,401	44,001		

See Notes to Financial Statements



LEGAL, COMMERCIAL, BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997, 1996 AND 1995
(Continued in Schedule of Filing: 24444)

Notes	GROUP			PARENT COMPANY		
	2007	2016	2015	2007	2016	2015
EARN BEFORE FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES						
Profit before tax	23,318	23,137	21,520	17,647	16,379	15,763
Adjustments for:						
Interest income	24,899	23,270	21,349	17,836	16,942	15,559
Interest received	2,568	2,253	3,811	3,087	3,281	4,120
Interest paid	7,887	7,400	5,943	5,278	5,444	4,874
Interest expense	2,343	1,770	2,330	3,544	436	8,130
Impairment losses	3,794	1,166	1,511	6,885	895	1,030
Depreciation and amortization	354	447	257	136	307	497
Dividend income	921	132	93	3,023	1,800	3,354
Share in net earnings of subsidiaries and associates	441	128	281	375	819	162
Gain on sale of subsidiary	8,011	1,142	7,893	4,022	3,974	5,491
Operating profit before non-recurring (exp)/charge	89,488	32,067	11,346	59,523	41,083	81,049
Decrease (Increase) in financial assets at fair value through profit and loss						
Decrease (Increase) in financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	316	1,471	493	139	48	339
Decrease (Increase) in loans and receivables	44,172	5,748	19,373	34,694	4,642	27,379
Decrease (Increase) in investment properties	619	212	1,502	42	15	403
Decrease (Increase) in other assets	1,839	329	1,463	783	354	46
Increase (Decrease) in deposit liabilities	38,333	14,715	26,627	28,582	3,813	16,648
Increase (Decrease) in accounts payable, taxes and other payables	393	536	89	293	179	133
Increase (Decrease) in other liabilities	3,912	256	273	684	3,213	97
Gain (provision) from (used in) operations	6,344	3,911	6,199	6,024	873	4,294
Gain (loss) from taxes	485	374	602	471	501	543
Net Cash Flow (Used in) Operating Activities	5,789	6,565	3,587	5,549	9,677	4,754

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RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2017, 2016 AND 2015
(Amounts in Millions of Philippine Pesos, Except Share and Per Share Data or As Indicated)

1. CORPORATE MATTERS

1.1 Incorporation and Operations

Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation (the Parent Company, the Bank or RCBC), a universal bank engaged in all aspects of banking, was originally incorporated on September 23, 1960. The Bank renewed its corporate existence on December 10, 2009. It provides products and services related to traditional loans and deposits, trade finance, domestic and foreign fund transfers or remittance, cash management, treasury, and trust and custodianship services. Under relevant authority granted by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), the Bank is also licensed to deal in different types of derivatives products such as, but not limited, to foreign currency forwards, interest rate swaps and cross currency swaps. The Parent Company and its subsidiaries (together hereinafter referred to as the Group) are engaged in all aspects of traditional banking, investment banking, retail financing (credit cards, auto loans, mortgage/housing and microfinance loans), remittance, leasing and stock brokering.

As a banking institution, the Group's operations are regulated and supervised by the BSP. As such, the Group is required to comply with banking rules and regulations such as those relating to maintenance of reserve requirements on deposit liabilities and deposit substitutes and those relating to the adoption and use of safe and sound banking practices, among others, as promulgated by the BSP. The Group's activities are subject to the provisions of Republic Act (RA) No. 8791, the *General Banking Law of 2000*, and other related banking laws.

The Parent Company's common shares are listed in the Philippine Stock Exchange (PSE).

The Group's and the Parent Company's banking network within and outside the Philippines as of December 31 follows:

	<u>Group</u>		<u>Parent Company</u>	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Automated teller machines (ATMs)	1,562	1,488	1,103	1,047
Branches	473	446	306	281
Extension offices	35	35	25	25

RCBC is 42.45% owned subsidiary of Pan Malayan Management and Investment Corporation (PMMIC), a company incorporated and domiciled in the Philippines. PMMIC is the holding company of the flagship institutions of the Yuchengco Group of Companies (YGC), with registered business address located at 48th Floor, Yuchengco Tower, RCBC Plaza, 6819 Ayala Avenue cor. Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City.

The Parent Company's registered address, which is also its principal office, is located at Yuchengco Tower, RCBC Plaza, 6819 Ayala Avenue cor. Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City.

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1.2 Subsidiaries and Associates

The Parent Company holds ownership interests in the following subsidiaries and associates.

Subsidiaries/Associates	Line of Business	Explanatory Notes	Effective Percentage of Ownership	
			2017	2016
Subsidiaries:				
RCBC Savings Bank, Inc. (RSB)	Consumer and retail banking		100.00	100.00
RCBC Forex Brokers Corporation (RCBC Forex)	Foreign exchange dealing		100.00	100.00
RCBC Telemoney Europe (RCBC Telemoney)	Remittance		100.00	100.00
RCBC North America, Inc. (RCBC North America)	Remittance	(a)	100.00	100.00
RCBC International Finance Limited (RCBC IFL)	Remittance		100.00	100.00
RCBC Investment Ltd.	Remittance	(b)	100.00	100.00
RCBC Capital Corporation (RCBC Capital)	Investment house		99.96	99.96
RCBC Securities, Inc. (RSI)	Securities brokerage and dealing	(c)	99.96	99.96
RCBC Bankard Services Corporation (BSC)	Credit card management	(d)	99.96	99.96
RCBC-JPL Holding Company, Inc. (RCBC JPL)	Property holding		99.41	99.39
Merchants Savings and Loan Association, Inc. (Rural Microbank)	Thrift banking and microfinance		98.03	98.03
RCBC Leasing and Finance Corporation (RCBC LFC)	Financial leasing		97.79	97.79
RCBC Rental Corporation	Property leasing	(e)	97.79	97.79
Special Purpose Companies (SPCs):				
Best Value Property and Development Corporation (Best Value)	Real estate buying and selling	(e)	100.00	100.00
Cajal Realty Corporation (Cajal)			100.00	100.00
Crescent Park Property and Development Corporation (Crescent Park)			100.00	100.00
Crestview Properties Development Corporation (Crestview)			100.00	100.00
Eight Hills Property and Development Corporation (Eight Hills)			100.00	100.00
Gold Place Properties Development Corporation (Gold Place)			100.00	100.00
Goldpath Properties Development Corporation (Goldpath)			100.00	100.00
Greatwings Properties Development Corporation (Greatwings)			100.00	100.00
Lifeway Property and Development Corporation (Lifeway)			100.00	100.00
Niceview Property and Development Corporation (Niceview)			100.00	100.00
Niyog Property Holdings, Inc. (NPHI)		(f)	100.00	100.00
Pinckney Properties Development Corporation (Pinckney)			100.00	100.00
Top Place Properties Development Corporation (Top Place)			100.00	100.00

Subsidiaries/Associates	Line of Business	Effective Percentage of Ownership	
		2017	2016
Associates:			
YGC Corporate Services, Inc. (YCS)	Support services for YGC	49.00	49.00
Luzon Industrial Park Co. (LIPC)	Real estate buying, developing, selling and rental	35.00	35.00
Florida Cars Phils., Inc. (FCPI)	Sale of motor vehicles	12.88	12.88

Except for RCBC Telemoney (Italy), RCBC North America (USA), RCBC IFI (Hongkong) and RCBC Investment Ltd. (Hongkong), all other subsidiaries and associates are incorporated and conducting their businesses in the Philippines. RCBC Telemoney and RCBC North America were operational only until March 1, 2016 and March 31, 2014, respectively.

Explanatory Notes:

- The Parent Company has 85.97% direct ownership interest and 16.03% indirect ownership interest through RCBC IFI.
- A wholly-owned subsidiary of RCBC IFI.
- Wholly-owned subsidiaries of RCBC Capital.
- A wholly-owned subsidiary of RCBC LFC.
- Except for NPHI, the SPCs are wholly-owned subsidiaries of RSB; the SPCs, except for NPHI and Cajel, will be liquidated in pursuant to BSP recommendation and upon receipt of necessary regulatory clearance (see Note 15.1).
- The Parent Company has 48.11% direct ownership interest and 51.89% indirect ownership interest through RSB.

1.3 Approval of Financial Statements

The consolidated financial statements of RCBC and subsidiaries and the separate financial statements of RCBC as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017 (including the comparatives as of December 31, 2016 and for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015) were approved and authorized for issue by the Board of Directors (BOD) of the Parent Company on February 26, 2018.

2.2 Adoption of New and Amended PFRS

(a) Effective in 2017 that are Relevant to the Group

The Group adopted for the first time all the amendments and annual improvements to PFRS, which are mandatorily effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2017 as follows:

PAS 7 (Amendments)	:	Statement of Cash Flows – Disclosure Initiative
PAS 12 (Amendments)	:	Income Taxes – Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealized Losses
Annual Improvements to PFRS (2014 - 2016 Cycle)	:	Disclosure of Interest in Other Entities – Scope Clarification on Disclosure of Summarized Financial Information for Interests Classified as Held for Sale

Discussed below are the relevant information about these amendments and improvements

- (i) PAS 7 (Amendments), *Statement of Cash Flows – Disclosure Initiative*. The amendments are designed to improve the quality of information provided to users of financial statements about changes in an entity's debt and related cash flows and non-cash changes. They require an entity to provide disclosures that enable users to evaluate changes in liabilities arising from financing activities and to apply its judgment when determining the exact form and content of the disclosures needed to satisfy this requirement. Moreover, they suggest a number of specific disclosures that may be necessary in order to satisfy the above requirement, including: (a) changes in liabilities arising from financing activities caused by changes in financing cash flows, foreign exchange rates or fair values, or obtaining or losing control of subsidiaries or other businesses; and, (b) a reconciliation of the opening and closing balances of liabilities arising from financing activities in the statement of financial position including those changes identified immediately above

Management has applied these amendments in the current year and has not disclosed comparative figures as allowed by the transitional provisions.

The Group's liabilities arising from financing activities include bills payable, bonds payable and subordinated debt. The reconciliation between the opening and closing balances of these liabilities arising from financing activities are disclosed in Note 32.

- (u) *PAS 12 (Amendments), Income Taxes – Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unutilized Losses*. The focus of the amendments is to clarify how to account for deferred tax assets related to debt instruments measured at fair value, particularly where changes in the market interest rate decrease the fair value of a debt instrument below its cost. The amendments provide guidance in the following areas where diversity in practice previously existed: (a) existence of a deductible temporary difference; (b) recovering an asset for more than its carrying amount; (c) probable future taxable profit against which deductible temporary differences are assessed for utilization; and, (d) combined versus separate assessment of deferred tax asset recognition for each deductible temporary difference. The application of these amendments has no impact on the Group's financial statements as the Group already assesses the sufficiency of future taxable profit in a way that is consistent with these amendments.
- (v) *Annual Improvements to PFRS (2014 - 2016 Cycle) on PFRS 12, Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities – Scope Clarification on Disclosure of Summarized Financial Information for Interests Classified as Held for Sale*. The amendment clarifies that the disclosure requirements of PFRS 12 applies to interest in other entities classified as held for sale with practical concession to the presentation of summarized financial information. The amendment states that an entity need not present summarized financial information for interests in subsidiaries, associates, or joint ventures that are classified as held for sale. The Group has interests in certain SPCs with carrying amount of the net investments presented and classified as assets held-for-sale and disposal group (see Note 15). The Group has not been presenting summarized financial information of these SPCs which is consistent with the amendments.
- (b) *Effective Subsequent to 2017 but not Adopted Early*

There are new PFRS, amendments and annual improvements to existing standards effective for annual periods subsequent to 2017, which are adopted by the FRSC. Management will adopt the following relevant pronouncements in accordance with their transitional provisions; and, unless otherwise stated, none of these are expected to have significant impact on the Group's financial statements:

- (i) *PAS 40 (Amendments), Investment Property – Transfers of Investment Property* (effective from January 1, 2018). The amendments state that an entity shall transfer a property to, or from, investment property when, and only when, there is evidence of a change in use. A change of use occurs if property meets, or ceases to meet, the definition of investment property. A change in management's intentions for the use of a property by itself does not constitute evidence of a change in use. The amendments also provided a non-exhaustive list of examples constituting change in use.

(ii) PFRS 9 (2014), *Financial Instruments* (effective from January 1, 2018). This new standard on financial instruments will eventually replace PAS 39, *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement*, and PFRS 9 (2009, 2010 and 2013 versions – herein referred to as PFRS 9). In addition to the principal classification categories for financial assets and financial liabilities, which were early adopted by the Group on January 1, 2014, PFRS 9 (2014) includes the following major provisions:

- limited amendments to the classification and measurement requirements for financial assets introducing a fair value measurement for eligible debt securities; and,
- an expected credit loss (ECL) model in determining impairment of all financial assets that are not measured at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL), which generally depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition of a financial asset

Based on an assessment and comprehensive study of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities as at December 31, 2017, which has been limited to the facts and circumstances existing at that date, management determined the significant impact of PFRS 9 (2014) on the financial statements as follows:

- Debt securities held for both collecting contractual cash flows solely for payment of principal and interest (SPPI) and selling are designated by the Group to be classified at as fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI). Financial asset at FVOCI are measured at fair value, with fair value changes and realized gain or loss on sale directly recognized in other comprehensive income. Upon derecognition of debt securities under FVOCI, the cumulative gains or losses previously recognized in other comprehensive income shall be reclassified from equity to profit or loss. The Group has initially assessed that the application of the standard would result in reclassification of certain financial assets at FVPL to financial assets at FVOCI; hence, will affect the balance of the reported retained earnings and other comprehensive income at transition date.
- In applying the ECL methodology of PFRS 9 (2014), the Group initially assessed to use the loan loss provision methodology as allowed by the standard and as prescribed by the BSP. On the other hand, ECL on government bonds and corporate bonds currently classified as financial asset at amortized cost shall be measured using the 12-month ECL as these financial assets are assessed to have low credit risk, considering their respective credit ratings. Management has assessed that the application of the ECL model will result in an increase in the required allowance for impairment of certain financial instruments as at the beginning of the next reporting period and in impairment losses in that period as compared with the amount that would have been recognized under the impairment provisions of PAS 39

- (iii) PFRS 10 (Amendments), *Consolidated Financial Statements*, and PAS 28 (Amendments), *Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures – Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture* (effective date deferred indefinitely). The amendments to PFRS 10 require full recognition in the investor's financial statements of gains or losses arising on the sale or contribution of assets that constitute a business as defined in PFRS 3, *Business Combinations*, between an investor and its associate or joint venture. Accordingly, the partial recognition of gains or losses (i.e., to the extent of the unrelated investor's interests in an associate or joint venture) only applies to those sale or contribution of assets that do not constitute a business. Corresponding amendments have been made to PAS 28 to reflect these changes. In addition, PAS 28 has been amended to clarify that when determining whether assets that are sold or contributed constitute a business, an entity shall consider whether the sale or contribution of those assets is part of multiple arrangements that should be accounted for as a single transaction.
- (iv) PFRS 15, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*. This standard will replace PAS 18, *Revenue*, and PAS 11, *Construction Contracts*, the related Interpretations on revenue recognition: International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) 13, *Customer Loyalty Programmes*, IFRIC 15, *Agreement for the Construction of Real Estate*, IFRIC 18, *Transfer of Assets from Customers* and Standing Interpretations Committee 31, *Revenue – Barter Transactions Involving Advertising Services*, effective January 1, 2018. This new standard establishes a comprehensive framework for determining when to recognize revenue and how much revenue to recognize. The core principle in this standard is for an entity to recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to the customer in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. Based on an assessment of the Group's revenue streams as at December 31, 2017, which has been limited to the facts and circumstances existing at that date, management determined that its significant sources of revenues pertain to its lending activities which generate interest income, service charges, and fees. Except for certain service charges and fees, substantial amount of the Bank's revenues are generated from financial instruments which are outside the scope of PFRS 15.
- (v) Annual Improvements to PFRS 2014 - 2016 Cycle. Among the improvements, PAS 28 (Amendments), *Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures – Measuring an Associate or Joint Venture at Fair Value* (effective from January 1, 2018) is relevant to the Group. The amendments clarify that the option for venture capital organization, mutual funds and other similar entities to elect the fair value through profit or loss classification in measuring investments in associates and joint ventures shall be made at initial recognition, separately for each associate or joint venture.
- (vi) IFRIC 22, *Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration* (effective from January 1, 2018). The interpretation provides more detailed guidance on how to account for transactions that include the receipt or payment of advance consideration in a foreign currency. The Interpretation states that the date of the transaction, for the purpose of determining the exchange rate, is the date of initial recognition of the non-monetary asset (arising from advance payment) or liability (arising from advance receipt). If there are multiple payments or receipts in advance, a date of transaction is established for each payment or receipt.

- (vii) PAS 28 (Amendments), *Investment in Associates – Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures* (effective from January 1, 2019). The amendments clarify that the scope exclusion in PFRS 9 (2014) applies only to ownership interests accounted for using the equity method. Thus, the amendments further clarify that long term interests in an associate or joint venture – to which the equity method is not applied – must be accounted for under PFRS 9 (2014), which shall also include long term interests that, in substance, form part of the entity's net investment in an associate or joint venture. Management is currently assessing the impact of these new amendments in its financial statements.
- (viii) PFRS 9 (Amendments), *Financial Instruments – Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation* (effective from January 1, 2019). The amendments clarify that prepayment features with negative compensation attached to financial instruments may still qualify under the SPP test. As such, the financial assets containing prepayment features with negative compensation may still be classified at amortized cost or at fair value through other comprehensive income. Management is currently assessing the impact of these amendments in its financial statements.
- (ix) PFRS 16, *Leases* (effective from January 1, 2019). The new standard will eventually replace PAS 17, *Leases*.

For lessors, it requires to account for leases "on-balance sheet" by recognizing a "right of use" asset and a lease liability. The lease liability is initially measured as the present value of future lease payments. For this purpose, lease payments include fixed, non-cancellable payments for lease elements, amounts due under residual value guarantees, certain types of contingent payments and amounts due during optional periods to the extent that extension is reasonably certain. In subsequent periods, the "right-of-use" asset is accounted for similarly to a purchased asset subject to depreciation or amortization. The lease liability is accounted for similarly to a financial liability using the effective interest method. However, the new standard provides important reliefs or exemptions for short term leases and leases of low value assets. If these exemptions are used, the accounting is similar to operating lease accounting under PAS 17, where lease payments are recognized as expense on a straight line basis over the lease term or another systematic basis (if more representative of the pattern of the lessee's benefit).

For lessors, lease accounting is similar to PAS 17's. In particular, the distinction between finance and operating leases is retained. The definitions of each type of lease, and the supporting indicators of a finance lease, are substantially the same with those applied in PAS 17. The basic accounting mechanics are also similar, but with some different or more explicit guidance in few areas. These include variable payments, sub leases, lease modifications, treatment of initial direct costs and lessor disclosures.

Management is currently assessing the impact of this new standard in its financial statements.

- (x) IFRIC 23, *Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments* (effective from January 1, 2019). The interpretation provides clarification on the determination of taxable profit, tax bases, unused tax losses, unused tax credits, and tax rates when there is uncertainty over income tax treatments. The core principle of the interpretation requires the Group to consider the probability of the tax treatment being accepted by the tax authority. When it is probable that the tax treatment will be accepted, the determination of the taxable profit, tax bases, unused tax losses, unused tax credits, and tax rates shall be on the basis of the accepted tax treatment. Otherwise, the Group has to use the most likely amount or the expected value, depending on the surrounding circumstances, in determining the tax accounts identified immediately above. Management is currently assessing the impact of this interpretation in its financial statements.
- (xi) Annual Improvements to IFRS 2015 - 2017 Cycle. Among the improvements effective January 1, 2019, the following are relevant to the Group but were initially assessed by management to have no material impact on the Group's financial statements as these amendments merely clarify existing requirements:
- IAS 12 (Amendments), *Income Taxes – Tax Consequences of Dividends*. The amendments clarify that all income tax consequences of dividend payments should be recognized in profit or loss.
 - IAS 23 (Amendments), *Borrowing Costs – Eligibility for Capitalization*. The amendments clarify that when a specific borrowing remains outstanding after the related qualifying asset is ready for its intended purpose, such borrowing will then form part of an entity's general borrowings used in calculating the capitalization rate for capitalization purposes.
 - IFRS 3 (Amendments), *Business Combination*, and IFRS 11 (Amendments), *Joint Arrangements – Remeasurement of Previously Held Interests in a Joint Operation*. The amendments clarify that previously held interest in a joint operation shall be remeasured when the Group obtains control of the business. On the other hand, previously held interests in a joint operation shall not be remeasured when the Group obtains joint control of the business.

2.3 Basis of Consolidation and Accounting for Investments in Subsidiaries and Associates in the Separate Financial Statements

The Group's consolidated financial statements comprise the accounts of the Parent Company and its subsidiaries as enumerated in Note 1.2, after the elimination of material intercompany transactions. All intercompany resources and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions with subsidiaries are eliminated in full. Unrealized profits and losses from intercompany transactions that are recognized in assets are also eliminated in full. Intercompany losses that indicate impairment are recognized in the consolidated financial statements.

The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared in the same reporting period as the Parent Company, using consistent accounting policies.

The Parent Company accounts for its investments in subsidiaries, associates, interests in jointly controlled operations and non-controlling interests as follows:

(a) *Investments in Subsidiaries*

Subsidiaries are entities (including structured entities) over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when it has the power over the entity, it is exposed, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity, and, it has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date the Group obtains control.

The Parent Company's investments in subsidiaries are initially recognized at cost and subsequently accounted for in its separate financial statements using the equity method. Under the equity method, all subsequent changes to the ownership interest in the equity of the subsidiaries are recognized in the Parent Company's carrying amount of the investments. Changes resulting from the profit or loss generated by the subsidiaries are credited or charged against the Share in Net Earnings of Subsidiaries and Associates account in the statement of profit or loss. These changes include subsequent depreciation, amortization, impairment and fair value adjustments of assets and liabilities. Dividends received are accounted for as reduction in the carrying value of the investment.

Changes resulting from other comprehensive income of the subsidiaries or items that have been directly recognized in the subsidiaries' equity are recognized in other comprehensive income or equity of the Parent Company as applicable. However, when the Parent Company's share in losses of subsidiaries equals or exceeds its interest in the subsidiary, including any other unsecured receivables, the Parent Company does not recognize further losses, unless it has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the subsidiary. If the subsidiary subsequently reports profits, the investor resumes recognizing its share of those profits only after its share of the profits exceeds the accumulated share of losses that has not been recognized previously.

Unrealized gains on transactions between the Parent Company and its subsidiaries are eliminated to the extent of the Parent Company's interest in the subsidiaries. Unrealized losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the assets that were transferred. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Parent Company.

The Parent Company reassesses whether or not it controls an entity if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of controls. Accordingly, entities are deconsolidated from the date that control ceases.

Acquired subsidiaries are subject to either of the following relevant policies:

- (i) *Purchase method* – involves the revaluation at fair value of all identifiable assets and liabilities, including contingent liabilities of a subsidiary, at the acquisition date, regardless of whether or not they were recorded in the financial statements of a subsidiary prior to acquisition. On initial recognition, the assets and liabilities of a subsidiary are included in the consolidated statement of financial position at their revalued amounts, which are also used as the bases for subsequent measurement in accordance with the Group's accounting policies.

Goodwill represents the excess of acquisition cost over the fair value of the Group's share of the identifiable net assets of the acquired subsidiary at the date of acquisition. On the other hand, negative goodwill represents the excess of the Group's share in the fair value of identifiable net assets of the subsidiary at the date of acquisition over acquisition cost and is recognized directly in profit or loss.

- (ii) *Pooling of interest method* – is applicable for business combinations involving entities under common control. On initial recognition, the assets and liabilities of a subsidiary are included in the consolidated statement of financial position at their book values. Adjustments, if any, are recorded to achieve uniform accounting policies. The combining entities' results and financial positions are presented in the consolidated financial statements as if they had always been combined.

No goodwill or negative goodwill is recognized. Any difference between the cost of the investment and the subsidiary's identifiable net assets is recognized on consolidation in a separate reserve account under equity.

(b) *Investments in Associates*

Associates are those entities over which the Group is able to exert significant influence but which are neither subsidiaries nor interests in joint venture. In the consolidated financial statements, investments in associates are initially recognized at cost and subsequently accounted for using the equity method. Under the equity method, the Group recognizes in profit or loss its share in the net earnings or losses of the associates. The cost of the investment is increased or decreased by the Group's equity in net earnings or losses of the associates since the date of acquisition. Dividends received are accounted for as reduction in the carrying value of the investment.

Acquired investments in associates are subject to purchase method of accounting as described in Note 2.3(a)(i). However, any goodwill that represents the excess of identifiable net assets of the acquiree at the date of acquisition or fair value adjustment attributable to the Group's share in the associate is included in the amount recognized as investments in associates. All subsequent changes to the ownership of interest in the equity of the associate are recognized in the Group's carrying amount of the investment. Changes resulting from the profit or loss generated by the associate are credited against Share in Net Earnings of Subsidiaries and Associates account in the Group's statement of profit or loss. These changes include subsequent depreciation, amortization, impairment, and fair value adjustments of assets and liabilities.

Changes resulting from other comprehensive income of the associate or items that have been directly recognized in the associate's equity are recognized in other comprehensive income or equity of the Group as applicable. However, when the Group's share in losses of an associate equals or exceeds its interest in the associate, including any other unsecured receivables, the Group does not recognize further losses, unless it has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate. If the associate subsequently reports profits, the investor resumes recognizing its share of those profits only after its share of the profits exceeds the accumulated share of losses that has not been recognized previously.

Unrealized gains on transactions between the Group and its associates are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the associates. Unrealized losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the assets that were transferred. Accounting policies of associates have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

The Group reassesses whether or not an entity qualifies as an associate in the occurrence of changes to facts and circumstances surrounding its ability to exert significant influence.

(c) Interest in Jointly Controlled Operations

For interests in jointly controlled operations, the Group recognizes in its financial statements the assets that it controls, the liabilities and the expenses that it incurs and its share in the income from the sale of goods or services by the joint venture. The amounts of these related accounts are presented as part of the regular asset and liability accounts and income and expense accounts of the Group.

No adjustment or other consolidation procedures are required for the assets, liabilities, income and expenses of the joint venture that are recognized in the separate financial statements of the venturers.

(d) Transactions with Non-controlling Interests

Non-controlling interests (NCI) represent the portion of the net assets and profit or loss not attributable to the Group. The Group applies a policy of treating transactions with NCI as transactions with parties external to the Group. Disposals to NCI result in gains and losses for the Group that are recorded in profit or loss. Purchases of equity shares from NCI may result in goodwill, being the difference between any consideration paid and the relevant share acquired in the carrying value of the net assets of a subsidiary.

In the consolidated financial statements, the NCI component is shown as part of the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

In the Parent Company's financial statements, impairment loss is provided when there is objective evidence that the investments in subsidiaries and associates will not be recovered (see Note 2 (9)).

2.4 Segment Reporting

A business segment is a group of assets and operations engaged in providing products or services that are subject to risks and returns that are different from those of other business segments. A geographical segment is a segment engaged in providing products or services within a particular economic environment that is subject to risks and returns that are different from those of segments operating in other economic environments.

The Group's operations are structured according to the nature of the services provided (primary segment) and different geographical markets served (secondary segment). Financial information on business segments is presented in Note 8.

2.5 Financial Assets

Financial assets are recognized when the Group becomes a party to the contractual terms of the financial instrument. For purposes of classifying financial assets, an instrument is considered as an equity instrument if it is non-derivative and meets the definition of equity for the issuer in accordance with the criteria under PAS 32, *Financial Instruments: Presentation*. All other non-derivative financial instruments are treated as debt instruments.

(a) Classification, Measurement and Reclassification of Financial Assets

Under PFRS 9, the classification and measurement of financial assets is driven by the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The classification and measurement of financial assets are described below.

(i) Financial Assets at Amortized Cost

Financial assets are measured at amortized cost if both of the following conditions are met:

- the asset is held within the Group's business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows, and,
- the contractual terms of the instrument give rise, on specified dates, to cash flows that are SPPI on the principal amount outstanding

Financial assets meeting these criteria are measured initially at fair value plus transaction costs. They are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment in value.

The Group's financial assets at amortized cost are presented in the statement of financial position as Cash and Other Cash Items, Due from BSP, Due from Other Banks, Loans Arising from Reverse Repurchase Agreement, Investment securities at amortized cost under Trading and Investment Securities, Loans and Receivables and certain Other Resources accounts.

For purposes of cash flows reporting and presentation, cash and cash equivalents comprise of accounts with original maturities of three months or less, including cash and other cash items and non restricted balances of Due from BSP, Due from Other Banks, Loans Arising from Reverse Repurchase Agreement, and Interbank loans receivables (part of Loans and Receivables). These generally include cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term, highly liquid investments readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

The Group may irrevocably elect at initial recognition to classify a financial asset that meets the amortized cost criteria above as at FVPL if that designation eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch had the financial asset been measured at amortized cost. In 2017 and 2016, the Group has not made such designation.

(ii) Financial Assets at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss

Debt instruments that do not meet the amortized cost criteria, or that meet the criteria but the Group has chosen to designate as at FVPL at initial recognition, are measured at FVPL. Equity investments are classified as financial assets at FVPL, unless the Group designates an equity investment that is not held for trading as at FVOCI at initial recognition. The Group's financial assets at FVPL include government securities, corporate bonds, equity securities, which are held for trading purposes or designated as at FVPL.

A financial asset is considered as held for trading if

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling it in the near term,
- on initial recognition, it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Group manages together and has evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking, or,
- it is a derivative that is not designated and effective as a hedging instrument or financial guarantee.

Financial assets at FVPL are measured at fair value. Related transaction costs are recognized directly as expense in profit or loss. Unrealized gains and losses arising from changes (mark-to-market) in the fair value of the financial assets at FVPL category and realized gains or losses arising from disposals of these instruments are included in Trading and Securities Gains under Other Operating Income account in the statement of profit or loss.

Interest earned on these investments is reported in profit or loss under Interest Income account while dividend income is reported in profit or loss under Miscellaneous included in Other Operating Income account when the right of payment has been established.

(iii) Financial Assets at Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income

At initial recognition, the Group can make an irrevocable election (on an instrument-by-instrument basis) to designate equity investments as at FVOCI; however, such designation is not permitted if the equity investment is held by the Group for trading. The Group has designated certain equity instruments as at FVOCI on initial application of PFRS 9.

Financial assets at FVOCI are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value, with no deduction for any disposal costs. Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value, including the foreign exchange component, are recognized in other comprehensive income, net of any effects arising from income taxes, and are reported as part of Revaluation Reserves account in equity. When the asset is disposed of, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognized in the Revaluation Reserves account is not reclassified to profit or loss, but is reclassified directly to Surplus account.

Any dividends earned on holding these equity instruments are recognized in profit or loss as part of Miscellaneous under Other Operating Income account, when the Group's right to receive dividends is established in accordance with PAS 18 unless the dividends clearly represent recovery of a part of the cost of the investment.

The Group can only reclassify financial assets if the objective of its business model for managing those financial assets changes. Accordingly, the Group is required to reclassify financial assets (i) from amortized cost to FVPL, if the objective of the business model changes so that the amortized cost criteria are no longer met; and, (ii) from FVPL to amortized cost, if the objective of the business model changes so that the amortized cost criteria start to be met and the characteristics of the instrument's contractual cash flows meet the amortized cost criteria.

A change in the objective of the Group's business model will be effected only at the beginning of the next reporting period following the change in the business model.

(b) *Impairment of Financial Assets*

The Group assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and impairment losses are incurred if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (a loss event) and that loss event (or events) has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial assets or group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated.

Objective evidence that a financial asset or group of assets is impaired includes observable data that comes to the attention of the Group about the following loss events:

- (i) significant financial difficulty of the issuer or obligor;
- (ii) a breach of contract, such as a default or delinquency in interest or principal payments;
- (iii) the Group granting the borrower, for economic or legal reasons relating to the borrower's financial difficulty, a concession that the lender would not otherwise consider;
- (iv) it becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganization;
- (v) the disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulties; or,
- (vi) observable data indicating that there is a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows from a group of financial assets since the initial recognition of those assets, although the decrease cannot yet be identified with the individual financial assets in the group, including: adverse changes in the payment status of borrowers in the group, or national or local economic conditions that correlate with defaults on the assets in the group.

The Group recognizes impairment loss based on the category of financial assets as follows:

(i) Financial Assets Carried at Amortized Cost

For financial assets classified and measured at amortized cost, the Group first assesses whether objective evidence of impairment exists individually for financial assets that are individually significant and individually or collectively for financial assets that are not individually significant. If the Group determines that no objective evidence of impairment exists for an individually assessed financial asset, whether significant or not, it includes the asset in a group of financial assets with similar credit risk characteristics and collectively assesses them for impairment. Assets that are individually assessed for impairment and for which an impairment loss is or continues to be recognized are not included in a collective assessment of impairment.

If there is objective evidence that an impairment for individually assessed financial assets has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future credit losses that have not been incurred) discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account and the amount of the loss is recognized in profit or loss. If a financial asset has a variable interest rate, the discount rate for measuring any impairment loss is the current effective interest rate determined under the contract. As a practical expedient, the Group may measure impairment on the basis of an instrument's fair value using an observable market price.

The calculation of the present value of the estimated future cash flows of a collateralized financial asset reflects the cash flows that may result from foreclosure less costs for obtaining and selling the collateral, whether or not foreclosure is probable.

For the purpose of collective evaluation of impairment for loans and receivables, financial assets are grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics (i.e., on the basis of the Group's grading process that considers asset type, industry, geographical location, collateral type, past-due status and other relevant factors). Those characteristics are relevant to the estimation of future cash flows for groups of such assets by being indicative of the debtors' ability to pay all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the assets being evaluated.

Future cash flows in a group of financial assets that are collectively evaluated for impairment are estimated on the basis of the contractual cash flows of the assets in the group and historical loss experience for assets with credit risk characteristics similar to those in the group. Historical loss experience is adjusted on the basis of current observable data to reflect the effects of current conditions that did not affect the period on which the historical loss experience is based and to remove the effects of conditions in the historical period that do not exist currently.

Estimates of changes in future cash flows for groups of assets should reflect and be directionally consistent with changes in related observable data from period to period (for example, changes in unemployment rates, property prices, payment status, or other factors indicative of changes in the probability of losses in the group and their magnitude). The methodology and assumptions used for estimating future cash flows are reviewed regularly by the Group to reduce any differences between loss estimates and actual loss experience.

When possible, the Group seeks to restructure loans rather than to take possession of the collateral. This may involve extending the payment arrangement and agreement for new loan conditions. Once the terms have been renegotiated, the loan is no longer considered past due. Management continuously reviews restructured loans to ensure that all criteria evidencing the good quality of the loan are met and that future payments are likely to occur. The loans continue to be subject to an individual or collective impairment assessment, calculated using the loan's original effective interest rate. The difference between the recorded sale of the original loan and the present value of the restructured cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate, is recognized as part of Impairment losses account in profit or loss.

When a loan or receivable is determined to be uncollectible, it is written-off against the related allowance for impairment. Such loan or receivable is written-off after all the prescribed procedures have been completed and the amount of the loss has been determined. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written-off are charged against the amount of impairment losses in profit or loss.

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognized (such as an improvement in the debtor's credit rating), the previously recognized impairment loss is reversed by adjusting the allowance account. The amount of the reversal is recognized in the statement of profit or loss.

(ii) Financial Assets Carried at Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income

For securities classified as FVOCI, the Group assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired.

In the case of equity investments, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the security below its cost is considered in determining whether the assets are impaired. If any such evidence exists for equity investments, the cumulative loss – measured as the difference between the acquisition cost and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that financial asset previously recognized in profit or loss – is reclassified from Revaluation Reserves and recognized in profit or loss. Impairment losses recognized in profit or loss on equity instruments are not reversed through profit or loss.

In the case of debt instruments, impairment is assessed based on the same criteria as financial assets carried at amortized cost. Future interest income is based on the reduced carrying amount and is accrued based on the rate of interest used to discount future cash flows for the purpose of measuring impairment loss. Such accrual is recorded as part of interest income in profit or loss. If, in a subsequent period, the fair value of such debt instruments increases and the increase can be objectively related to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognized in profit or loss, the impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss.

(g) Derecognition of Financial Assets

A financial asset (or where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of financial assets) is derecognized when the contractual rights to receive cash flows from the financial instruments expire, or when the financial assets and all substantial risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to another party. If the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Group recognizes its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Group retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Group continues to recognize the financial asset and also recognizes a collateralized borrowing for the proceeds received.

2.6 Derivative Financial Instruments and Hedge Accounting

The Group is a party to various foreign currency forward contracts, cross currency swaps, futures, interest rate swaps, debt warrants, options and credit default swaps. These contracts are entered into as a service to customers and as a means of reducing or managing the Group's foreign exchange and interest rate exposures as well as for trading purposes. Amounts contracted are recorded as contingent accounts and are not included in the statement of financial position.

Derivatives are categorized as Financial Assets at FVPL which are initially recognized at fair value on the date on which a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently measured at their fair value. Fair values are obtained from active markets for listed or traded securities or determined using valuation techniques if quoted prices are not available, including discounted cash flow models and option pricing models, as appropriate. The change in fair value of derivative financial instruments is recognized in profit or loss, except when their effects qualify as a hedging instrument. Derivatives are carried as assets when fair value is positive and as liabilities when fair value is negative.

The best evidence of the fair value of a derivative at initial recognition is the transaction price (i.e., the fair value of the consideration given or received) unless the fair value of that instrument is evidenced by comparison with other observable current market transactions in the same instrument (i.e., without modification or repackaging) or based on a valuation technique whose variables include only data from observable markets. When such evidence exists, the Group recognizes a gain or loss at initial recognition.

2.7 Offsetting Financial Instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the resulting net amount, considered as a single financial asset or financial liability, is reported in the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The right of set-off must be available at the end of the reporting period, that is, it is not contingent on future event. It must also be enforceable in the normal course of business, in the event of default, and in the event of insolvency or bankruptcy; and, must be legally enforceable for both entity and all counterparties to the financial instruments.

2.8 Bank Premises, Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment

Land is stated at cost less impairment losses, if any. As no finite useful life for land can be determined, the related carrying amounts are not depreciated. All other bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation, amortization and any impairment in value.

The cost of an asset comprises its purchase price and directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to working condition for its intended use. Expenditures for additions, major improvements and renewals are capitalized, while expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the depreciable assets as follows:

Buildings	20-30 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	3-15 years

Leasehold rights and improvements are amortized over the term of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements, whichever is shorter.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount (see Note 2.19).

The residual values, estimated useful lives and method of depreciation and amortization of bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment (except land) are reviewed and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

An item of bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment, including the related accumulated depreciation, amortization and any impairment losses, is derecognized upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the item) is included in profit or loss in the year the item is derecognized.

2.9 Investment Properties

Investment properties pertain to land, buildings or condominium units acquired by the Group, in settlement of loans from defaulting borrowers through foreclosure or dacion in payment which are neither held by the Group for sale in the next 12 months nor used in the rendering of services or for administrative purposes. This also includes properties held for rental.

Investment properties are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses (see Note 2.19). The cost of an investment property comprises its purchase price and directly attributable costs incurred such as legal fees, transfer taxes and other transaction costs.

Transfers from other accounts (such as bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment) are made to investment properties when and only when, there is a change in use, evidenced by ending of owner-occupation or commencement of an operating lease to another party or holding the property for capital appreciation, while transfers from investment properties are made when, and only when, there is a change in use, evidenced by commencement of owner-occupation or commencement of development with a view to sell.

Depreciation and impairment loss are recognized in the same manner as in bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment.

Direct operating expenses related to investment properties, such as repairs and maintenance, and real estate taxes are normally charged against current operations in the period in which these costs are incurred.

Investment properties, including the related accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses, are derecognized upon disposal or when permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefit is expected from its disposal. Any gain or loss on the retirement or disposal of investment properties is recognized in Miscellaneous Income under Other Operating Income account in the year of retirement or disposal.

2.10 Assets Held-for-Sale and Disposal Group

Assets held for-sale and disposal group, which are presented as part of Other Resources account, include real and other properties acquired through repossession, foreclosure or purchase that the Group intends to sell within one year from the date of classification as held-for-sale and for which the Group is committed to immediately dispose through an active marketing plan. The Group classifies an asset (or disposal group) as held-for-sale if its carrying amount will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. In the event that the sale of the asset is extended beyond one year, the extension of the period required to complete the sale does not preclude an asset from being classified as held for sale if the delay is caused by events or circumstances beyond the Group's control and there is sufficient evidence that the Group remains committed to its plan to sell the asset.

Assets classified as held-for sale are measured at the lower of their carrying amounts, immediately prior to their classification as held-for-sale and their fair value less costs to sell.

Assets classified as held-for-sale are not subject to depreciation or amortization. Asset that ceases to be classified as held-for-sale is measured at the lower of: (a) its carrying amount before the asset was classified as held-for-sale, adjusted for any depreciation, amortization or revaluations that would have been recognized had the asset not been classified as held-for-sale, and, (b) its recoverable amount at the date of the subsequent decision not to sell. Any adjustment to the carrying amount of an asset that ceases to be classified as held-for-sale resulting in either a gain or loss, is recognized in profit or loss. The Group recognizes an impairment loss for any initial or subsequent write-down of the assets held-for-sale to fair value less cost to sell, to the extent that it has not been previously recognized in profit or loss. On the other hand, any gain from any subsequent increase in fair value less to costs to sell of an asset up to the extent of the cumulative impairment loss that has been previously recognized is recognized in profit or loss.

The gains or losses arising from the sale or remeasurement of assets held-for-sale is recognized in Miscellaneous Income (Expenses) under the Other Operating Income (Expenses) account in the statement of profit or loss.

2.11 Intangible Assets

Intangible assets include goodwill, branch licenses, trading right, and computer software licenses which are accounted for under cost model and are reported under Other Resources account in the statement of financial position. The cost of the asset is the amount of cash and cash equivalents paid or the fair value of the other considerations given to acquire an asset at the time of acquisition.

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired at the date of acquisition (see Note 2.5).

Branch licenses represent the rights given by the BSP to the Group to establish a certain number of branches in various areas in the country.

Goodwill and branch licenses are classified as intangible assets with indefinite useful life and, thus, not subject to amortization but would require an annual test for impairment (see Note 2.19). Goodwill and branch licenses are subsequently carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units for the purpose of impairment testing. Each of those generating units is represented by each primary reporting segment.

Trading right, included as part of Miscellaneous under Other Resources account, represents the right given to RSI, a subsidiary engaged in stock brokerage, to preserve its access to the trading facilities and to transact business at the PSE. Trading right is assessed as having an indefinite useful life. It is carried at the amount allocated from the original cost of the exchange membership seat (after a corresponding allocation was made to the value of the PSE shares) less allowance for impairment, if any. The trading right is tested annually for any impairment in value (see Note 2.19).

Acquired computer software licenses are capitalized on the basis of the costs incurred to acquire and bring to use the specific software. These costs are amortized on a straight line basis over the expected useful lives of the software of three to ten years.

Costs associated with developing or maintaining computer software programs are recognized as expense as incurred. Costs that are directly associated with the production of identifiable and unique software products controlled by the Group, and that will probably generate economic benefits exceeding costs beyond one year, are recognized as intangible assets. Direct costs include employee costs incurred on software development and an appropriate portion of relevant overhead costs.

Computer software development costs recognized as assets are amortized using the straight-line method over their useful lives (not exceeding ten years).

When an intangible asset is disposed of, the gain or loss on disposal is determined as the difference between the proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognized in profit or loss.

2.12 Other Resources

Other resources (excluding items classified as intangible assets) pertain to other assets controlled by the Group as a result of past events. These are recognized in the financial statements when it is probable that the future economic benefits will flow to the Group and the asset has a cost or value that can be measured reliably.

2.13 Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities which include deposit liabilities, bills payable, bonds payable, subordinated debt, accrued interest and other expenses, and other liabilities (except tax-related payables, post-employment defined benefit obligation and deferred income) are recognized when the Group becomes a party to the contractual terms of the instrument.

Financial liabilities are recognized initially at their fair value and subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, for those with maturities beyond one year, less settlement payments. All interest-related charges incurred on financial liabilities are recognized as an expense in the statement of profit or loss under the caption Interest Expense.

Deposit liabilities are stated at amounts in which they are to be paid. Interest is accrued periodically and recognized in a separate liability account before recognizing as part of deposit liabilities.

Bills payable, bonds payable and subordinated debt are recognized initially at fair value, which is the issue proceeds (fair value of consideration received), net of direct issue costs. These are subsequently measured at amortized cost; any difference between the proceeds net of transaction costs and the redemption value is recognized in profit or loss over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Derivative financial liabilities represent the cumulative changes in the net fair value losses arising from the Group's currency forward transactions and interest rate swaps.

Financial liabilities are derecognized from the statement of financial position only when the obligations are extinguished either through discharge, cancellation or expiration. Where an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender or substantially different terms, or if the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and a recognition of the new liability, and the difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognized as gain or loss in profit or loss.

2.14 Provisions and Contingencies

Provisions are recognized when present obligations will probably lead to an outflow of economic resources and they can be estimated reliably even if the timing or amount of the outflow may still be uncertain. A present obligation arises from the presence of a legal or constructive obligation that has resulted from past events (e.g., legal dispute or onerous contracts).

Provisions are measured at the estimated expenditure required to settle the present obligation, based on the most reliable evidence available at the end of the reporting period, including the risks and uncertainties associated with the present obligation. Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. When time value of money is material, long-term provisions are discounted to their present values using a pretax rate that reflects market assessments and the risks specific to the obligation. The increase in provision due to passage of time is recognized as interest expense. Provisions are reviewed at the end of each reporting period and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate.

In those cases, where the possible outflow of economic resource as a result of present obligations is considered improbable or remote, or the amount to be provided for cannot be measured reliably, no liability is recognized in the financial statements. Similarly, possible inflows of economic benefits to the Group that do not yet meet the recognition criteria of an asset are considered contingent assets; hence, are not recognized in the financial statements. On the other hand, any reimbursement that the Group can be virtually certain to collect from a third party with respect to the obligation is recognized as a separate asset not exceeding the amount of the related provision.

The Parent Company offers monetized rewards to active cardholders in relation to its credit card business' rewards program. Provisions for rewards are recognized at a certain rate of cardholders' credit card availments, determined by management based on redeemable amounts.

2.15 Equity

Preferred and common stock represent the nominal value of shares of stock that have been issued.

Capital paid in excess of par includes any premiums received on the issuance of capital stock. Any transaction costs associated with the issuance of shares of stock are deducted from capital paid in excess of par, net of any related income tax benefits.

Hybrid perpetual securities reflect the net proceeds from the issuance of non-cumulative step-up callable perpetual securities.

Revaluation reserves consist of:

- (a) Net unrealized fair value gains or losses arising from remeasurements of financial assets at FVOCI;
- (b) Reserves on remeasurements of post-employment defined benefit plan comprising of net accumulated actuarial gains or losses arising from experience adjustments and other changes in actuarial assumptions, and actual return on plan assets (excluding account included in net interest);
- (c) Accumulated translation adjustments related to the cumulative gains from the translation of the financial statements of foreign subsidiaries whose functional currency is different from that of the Parent Company, and,
- (d) Share in other comprehensive income or loss of subsidiaries and associates.

Reserve for trust business representing the accumulated amount set aside by the Group under existing regulations requiring the Parent Company and a subsidiary to carry to surplus 10% of its net profits accruing from their trust business until the surplus shall amount to 20% of the regulatory capital. The reserve shall not be paid out in dividends, but losses accruing in the course of the trust business may be charged against this account.

Other reserves refer to the amount attributable to the Parent Company arising from the changes in the ownership of the NCI in the Group and the result of the redemption of the preferred stocks of RSB's subsidiaries. This also includes the excess of cost of investment over the net identifiable assets of an acquired subsidiary under the pooling of interest method.

Surplus represents all current and prior period results of operations as disclosed in the statement of profit or loss, reduced by the amount of dividends declared.

NCL represents the portion of the net assets and profit or loss not attributable to the Group and are presented separately in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and comprehensive income and within equity in the consolidated statement of financial position and changes in equity.

2.16 Revenue and Expense Recognition

Revenue is recognized to the extent that the revenue can be reliably measured; it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group; and, the costs incurred or to be incurred can be measured reliably.

The following specific recognition criteria must also be met before a revenue or expense is recognized:

(a) Interest Income and Expenses

These are recognized in the statement of profit or loss for all financial instruments measured at amortized cost and interest-bearing financial assets using the effective interest method. The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortized cost of a financial asset or a financial liability and of allocating the interest income or interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument or, when appropriate, a shorter period to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. When calculating the effective interest rate, the group estimates cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument (for example, prepayment options) but does not consider future credit losses.

The calculation includes all fees and points paid or received between parties to the contract that are an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and all other premiums or discounts.

Once a financial asset or a group of similar financial assets has been written down as a result of an impairment loss, interest income is recognized using the rate of interest used to discount the future cash flows for the purpose of measuring the impairment loss.

(b) Trading and Securities: Gains (Losses)

These are recognized when the ownership of the securities is transferred to the buyer and is computed as the difference between the selling price and the carrying amount of the securities disposed of. These also include trading gains as a result of the mark-to-market valuation of investment securities classified as FVPL.

(c) Service Fees and Commissions

These are recognized as follows:

- (i) Finance charges* – are recognized on credit card revolving accounts, other than those accounts classified as installment, as income as long as those outstanding account balances are not 90 days and over past due. Finance charges on installment accounts, and first year and renewal membership fees are recognized as income when billed to cardholders. Purchases by cardholders which are collected on installment are recorded at the cost of the items purchased.

- (ii) *Discounts earned, net of interchange cost* – are recognized as income upon presentation by member establishments of charges arising from RCBC Bankard and non RCBC Bankard (associated with MasterCard, JCB, VISA and China UnionPay labels) credit card availments passing through the Point of Sale (POS) terminals of the Parent Company. These discounts are computed based on agreed rates and are deducted from the amounts remitted to member establishments. Interchange costs pertain to the other credit card companies' share in RCBC Bankard's merchant discounts whenever their issued credit cards transact in the Parent Company's POS terminal.
- (iii) *Late payment fees* – are billed on delinquent credit card receivable balances which are at most 179 days past due. These late payment fees are recognized as income upon collection.
- (iv) *Loan syndication fees* – are recognized upon completion of all syndication activities and where there are no further obligations to perform under the syndication agreement.
- (v) *Service charges and penalties* – are recognized only upon collection or accrued where there is a reasonable degree of certainty as to its collectability.
- (vi) *Underwriting fees and commissions* – are recorded when services for underwriting, arranging or brokering has been rendered.

(d) *Gains on Assets Sold*

Gains on assets sold arise from the disposals of bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment, investment properties, real estate properties for sale, and assets held-for-sale, and are recognized when the risks and rewards of ownership of the assets are transferred to the buyer, when the Group does not retain either continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership, or effective control over the assets sold, and when the collectability of the entire sales price is reasonably assured. Gains on assets sold are included as part of Miscellaneous income under Other Operating Income account in the statement of profit or loss.

Costs and expenses are recognized in profit or loss upon utilization of the assets and/or services or at the date those are incurred. All finance costs are reported in profit or loss on accrual basis, except capitalized borrowing costs which are included as part of the cost of the related qualifying asset, if any (see Note 2.21).

2.17 Leases

The Group accounts for its leases as follows:

(a) *Group as Lessee*

Leases which do not transfer to the Group substantially all the risks and benefits of ownership of the asset are classified as operating leases. Operating lease payments (net of any incentive received from the lessor) are recognized as expense in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Associated costs, such as repairs and maintenance and insurance, are expensed as incurred.

(b) *Group as Lessor*

Leases which transfer to the lessee all risks and benefits incidental to ownership of the leased item are classified as finance leases and are presented at an amount equal to the Group's net investment in the lease. Finance income is recognized based on the pattern reflecting a constant periodic rate of return on the Group's net investment outstanding in respect of the finance lease, and is included as part of Interest Income on loans and receivables.

Leases which do not transfer to the lessee substantially all the risks and benefits of ownership of the asset are classified as operating leases. Lease income from operating leases is recognized in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term. These are recognized as part of Miscellaneous income under Other Operating Income account in the statement of profit or loss.

The Group determines whether an arrangement is, or contains, a lease based on the substance of the arrangement. It makes an assessment of whether the fulfillment of the arrangement is dependent on the use of a specific asset or assets and the arrangement conveys a right to use the asset. A reassessment is made after inception of the lease, only if one of the following applies:

- (a) there is a change in contractual terms, other than a renewal or extension of the arrangement;
- (b) a renewal option is exercised or extension granted, unless that term of the renewal or extension was initially included in the lease term;
- (c) there is a change in the determination of whether fulfillment is dependent on a specified asset; or,
- (d) there is a substantial change to the asset.

2.18 Foreign Currency Transactions and Translations

(a) *Transactions and Balances*

Except for the foreign subsidiaries and accounts of the Group's foreign currency deposit unit (FCDU), the accounting records of the Group are maintained in Philippine pesos. Foreign currency transactions during the period are translated into the functional currency at exchange rates which approximate those prevailing at transaction dates. Resources and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated to Philippine pesos at the prevailing Philippine Dealing System closing rates (PDSCR) at the end of the reporting period.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of foreign currency transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognized in profit or loss, except when recognized in other comprehensive income and deferred in equity as qualifying cash flow hedges and qualifying net investment hedges. Translation differences on non-monetary items, such as equity securities classified as at FVPL, are reported as part of fair value gain or loss.

For financial reporting purposes, the accounts of the PCDU are translated into their equivalents in Philippine pesos based on the PDSCR prevailing at the end of each reporting period (for resources and liabilities) and at the average PDSCR for the period (for income and expenses). Any foreign exchange difference is recognized in profit or loss.

Changes in the fair value of monetary financial assets denominated in foreign currency classified as financial assets at FVPL and financial assets at FVOCI are analyzed between translation differences resulting from changes in the amortized cost of the security and other changes in the carrying amount of the security. Translation differences related to changes in amortized cost are recognized in profit or loss, and other changes in the carrying amount are recognized as gains and losses in other comprehensive income.

(b) Translation of Financial Statements of Foreign Subsidiaries

The results of operations and financial position of all the Group's foreign subsidiaries (none of which has the currency dependency of a hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- (i) Assets and liabilities at the end of each reporting period as presented in the statement of financial position are translated at the closing rate at the date of that statement of financial position;
- (ii) Income and expenses are translated at average exchange rates during the period (unless this average is not a reasonable approximation of the cumulative effect of the rates prevailing on the transactions' dates, in which case income and expenses are translated at the dates of the transactions); and,
- (iii) All resulting exchange differences are recognized as a component of equity.

In consolidation, exchange differences arising from the translation of the net investment in foreign entities are recognized in other comprehensive income which form part of Revaluation Reserves account in equity. When a foreign operation is sold, the accumulated translation and exchange differences are recognized in profit or loss as part of the gain or loss on sale.

The translation of the financial statements into Philippine peso should not be construed as a representation that the amounts stated in currencies other than the Philippine peso could be converted in Philippine peso amounts at the translation rates or at any other rates of exchange.

2.19 Impairment of Non-financial Assets

Investments in subsidiaries and associates, bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment, investment properties, and other resources (including intangible assets) and other non-financial assets are subject to impairment testing. Intangible assets with an indefinite useful life or those not yet available for use and goodwill are tested for impairment at least annually.

For purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units (CGU)). As a result, some assets are tested for impairment either individually or at the CGU level.

Except for intangible assets with an indefinite useful life (i.e., goodwill, branch licenses and trading rights) or those not yet available for use, individual assets or CGUs are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their carrying amount may not be recoverable.

Goodwill is reviewed for impairment, annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired. Impairment is determined for goodwill by assessing the recoverable amount of the CGU (or group of CGUs) to which the goodwill relates. Where the recoverable amount of the CGU (or group of CGUs) is less than the carrying amount of the CGU (or group of CGUs) to which goodwill has been allocated, an impairment loss is recognized immediately in profit or loss. Impairment losses relating to goodwill cannot be reversed for subsequent increases in its recoverable amount in future periods.

Impairment loss is recognized in profit or loss for the amount by which the asset's or CGU's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount which is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. In determining value in use, management estimates the expected future cash flows from each CGU and determines the suitable interest rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows. The data used for impairment testing procedures are directly linked to the Group's latest approved budget, adjusted as necessary to exclude the effects of asset enhancements. Discount factors are determined individually for each CGU and reflect management's assessment of respective risk profiles, such as market and asset-specific risk factors.

All assets, except for intangible assets with indefinite useful life and goodwill, are subsequently reassessed for indications that an impairment loss previously recognized may no longer exist. An impairment loss is reversed if the asset's or CGU's recoverable amount exceeds its carrying amount.

2.20 Employee Benefits

Entities under the Group provide respective post-employment benefits to employees through a defined benefit plan and defined contribution plan, as well as other benefits, which are recognized and measured as follows:

(a) Post-employment Defined Benefit Plan

A defined benefit plan is a post-employment plan that defines an amount of post-employment benefit that an employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent on one or more factors such as age, years of service and salary. The legal obligation for any benefits from this kind of post-employment plan remains with the Group, even if plan assets for funding the defined benefit plan have been acquired. Plan assets may include assets specifically designated to a long-term benefit fund, as well as qualifying insurance policies. The Group's post-employment defined benefit plan covers all regular full time employees. The pension plan is tax qualified, non-contributory and administered by trustees.

The liability recognized in the statement of financial position for defined benefit post-employment plan is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the end of the reporting period less the fair value of plan assets. The defined benefit obligation is calculated annually by independent actuaries using the projected unit credit method. The present value of the defined benefit obligation is determined by discounting the estimated future cash outflows for expected benefit payments using a discount rate derived from the interest rates of zero-coupon government bonds as published by the Philippine Dealing & Exchange Corp. (PDEx), that are denominated in the currency in which the benefits will be paid and that have terms to maturity approximating to the terms of the related post-employment liability.

Remeasurements, comprising of actuarial gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and other changes in actuarial assumptions, effect of the changes to the asset ceiling, if any, and actual return on plan assets (excluding amount included in net interest), are reflected immediately in the statement of financial position with a charge or credit recognized in other comprehensive income in the period in which they arise. Remeasurements are not reclassified to profit or loss in the subsequent periods.

Net interest is calculated by applying the discount rate at the beginning of the period, taking account of any changes in the net defined benefit liability or asset during the period as a result of contributions and benefit payments. Net interest is reported as part of Other Interest Income or Expense account in the statement of profit or loss.

Past service costs are recognized immediately in profit or loss in the period of a plan amendment or curtailment.

(b) *Post-employment Defined Contribution Plan*

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment plan under which the Group pays fixed contributions into an independent entity such as the Social Security System. The Group has no legal or constructive obligations to pay further contributions after payment of the fixed contribution. The contributions recognized in respect of defined contribution plans are expensed as they fall due. Liabilities or assets may be recognized if underpayment or prepayment has occurred.

(c) *Termination Benefits*

Termination benefits are payable when employment is terminated by the Group before the normal retirement date, or whenever an employee accepts voluntary redundancy in exchange for these benefits. The Group recognizes termination benefits at the earlier of (i) when it can no longer withdraw the offer of such benefits, and, (ii) when it recognizes costs for a restructuring that is within the scope of PAS 37, *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*, and involves the payment of termination benefits. In the case of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy, the termination benefits are measured based on the number of employees expected to accept the offer. Benefits falling due more than 12 months after the end of the reporting period are discounted to their present value.

(d) *Bonus Plans*

The Group recognizes a liability and an expense for bonuses, based on a fixed formula. The Group recognizes a provision where it is contractually obliged to pay the benefits, or where there is a past practice that has created a constructive obligation.

(e) *Compensated Absences*

Compensated absences are recognized for the number of paid leave days (including holiday entitlement) remaining at the end of the reporting period. They are included in the Accrued Interest, Taxes and Other Expenses account in the statement of financial position at the undiscounted amount that the Group expects to pay as a result of the unused entitlement.

2.21 *Borrowing Costs*

Borrowing costs are recognized as expense in the period in which they are incurred, except to the extent that they are capitalized. Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset (i.e., an asset that takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use or sale) are capitalized as part of the cost of such asset. The capitalization of borrowing costs commences when expenditures for the asset and borrowing costs are being incurred and activities that are necessary to prepare the asset for its intended use or sale are in progress. Capitalization ceases when substantially all such activities are completed.

Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs eligible for capitalization.

2.22 *Income Taxes*

Tax expense recognized in profit or loss comprises the sum of current tax and deferred tax not recognized in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, if any.

Current tax assets or liabilities comprise those claims from, or obligations to, tax authorities relating to the current or prior reporting period, that are unpaid at the end of the reporting period. They are calculated according to the tax rates and tax laws applicable to the periods to which they relate, based on the taxable profit for the year. All changes to current tax assets or liabilities are recognized as a component of tax expense in the statement of profit or loss.

Deferred tax is provided using the liability method, on temporary differences at the end of the reporting period between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes. Under the liability method, with certain exceptions, deferred tax liabilities are recognized for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognized for all deductible temporary differences and the carry-forward of unused tax losses and unused tax credits to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deferred tax assets can be utilized. Deferred tax assets are reassessed at the end of each reporting period. Previously unrecognized deferred tax assets are recognized to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profit will be available to allow such deferred tax assets to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the asset is realized or the liability is settled provided such tax rates have been enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax assets to be utilized.

The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of the assets and liabilities.

Most changes in deferred tax assets or liabilities are recognized as a component of tax expense in profit or loss, except to the extent that it relates to items recognized in other comprehensive income or directly in equity. In this case, the tax is also recognized in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, respectively.

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities recognized by the entities under the Group are offset if they have a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and the deferred taxes relate to the same entity and the same taxation authority.

2.23 Related Party Relationships and Transactions

Related party transactions are transfers of resources, services or obligations between the Group and its related parties, regardless of whether a price is charged.

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operating decisions. These parties include: (a) individuals owning, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, control or are controlled by, or under common control with the Group; (b) associates; (c) individuals owning, directly or indirectly, an interest in the voting power of the Group that gives them significant influence over the Group and close members of the family of any such individual; and, (d) the funded retirement plan of each of the entities under the Group.

In considering each possible related party relationship, attention is directed to the substance of the relationship and not merely on the legal form.

2.24 Earnings and Dilutive Earning Per Share

Basic earnings per share (EPS) is determined by dividing the adjusted net profit for the year attributable to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common stocks outstanding during the period, after giving retroactive effect to any stock dividends declared in the current period.

Diluted EPS is also computed by dividing net profit by the weighted average number of common stocks subscribed and issued during the period. However, net profit attributable to common stocks and the weighted average number of common stocks outstanding are adjusted to reflect the effects of potentially dilutive convertible preferred stocks. Convertible preferred stocks are deemed to have been converted into common stocks at the issuance of preferred stocks.

In cases of redemption of preference shares, the net income used in the computation of basic and diluted EPS is decreased by the excess of the fair value of consideration paid to holders of the instruments over the carrying amount of such repurchased the instruments.

2.25 Trust and Fiduciary Activities

The Group commonly acts as trustee and in other fiduciary capacities that result in the holding or placing of assets on behalf of individuals, trusts, retirement benefit plans and other institutions. The resources, liabilities and income or loss arising thereon are excluded from these financial statements, as these are neither resources nor income of the Group.

2.26 Events After the End of the Reporting Period

Any post year-end event that provides additional information about the Group's financial position at the end of the reporting period (adjusting event) is reflected in the financial statements. Post year end events that are not adjusting events, if any, are disclosed when material to the financial statements.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGMENTS AND ESTIMATES

The preparation of the Group's financial statements in accordance with PFRS requires management to make judgments and estimates that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and related notes. Judgments and estimates 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. Actual results may ultimately vary from these estimates.

3.1 Critical Management Judgments in Applying Accounting Policies

In the process of applying the Group's accounting policies, management has made the following judgments, apart from those involving estimation, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the financial statements:

(a) Evaluation of Business Model Applied in Managing Financial Instruments

The Group manages its financial assets based on business models that maintain adequate level of financial assets to match its expected cash outflows, largely its core deposit funding arising from customers' withdrawals and continuing loan disbursements to borrowers, while maintaining a strategic portfolio of financial assets for trading activities consistent with its risk appetite.

Upon adoption of PFRS 9, the Group developed business models which reflect how it manages its portfolio of financial instruments. The Group's business models are not be assessed at entity level or as a whole but shall be applied at the level of a portfolio of financial instruments (i.e., group of financial instruments that are managed together by the Group) and not on an instrument-by-instrument basis (i.e., not based on intention or specific characteristics of individual financial instrument).

In determining the classification of a financial instrument under PFRS 9, the Group evaluates in which business model a financial instrument or a portfolio of financial instruments belongs to taking into consideration the objectives of each business model established by the Group (e.g., held for trading, generating actual income, direct matching to a specific liability) as those relate to the Group's investment, trading and lending strategies.

(b) *Testing the Cash Flow Characteristics of Financial Assets and Continuing Evaluation of the Business Model*

In determining the classification of financial assets under PFRS 9, the Group assesses whether the contractual terms of the financial assets give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal outstanding, with interest representing time value of money and credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding. The assessment as to whether the cash flows meet the test is made in the currency in which the financial asset is denominated. Any other contractual terms that changes the timing or amount of cash flows (unless it is a variable interest rate that represents time value of money and credit risk) does not meet the amortized cost criteria. In cases where the relationship between the passage of time and the interest rate of the financial instrument may be imperfect, known as modified time value of money, the Group assesses the modified time value of money feature to determine whether the financial instrument still meets the SPPI criterion. The objective of the assessment is to determine how different the undiscounted contractual cash flows could be from the undiscounted cash flows that would arise if the time value of money element was not modified (the benchmark cash flows). If the resulting difference is significant, the SPPI criterion is not met. In view of this, the Group considers the effect of the modified time value of money element in each reporting period and cumulatively over the life of the financial instrument.

In addition, PFRS 9 emphasizes that if more than an infrequent sale is made out of a portfolio of financial assets carried at amortized cost, an entity should assess whether and how such sales are consistent with the objective of collecting contractual cash flows. In making this judgment, the Group considers certain circumstances documented in its business model manual to assess that an increase in the frequency or value of sales of financial instruments in a particular period is not necessarily inconsistent with a held-to-collect business model if the Group can explain the reasons for those sales and why those sales do not reflect a change in the Group's objective for the business model.

(c) *Evaluation of Impairment of Financial Assets at FVOCI*

The determination when a financial asset at FVOCI is other-than-temporarily impaired requires the Group to make judgment. In making this judgment with respect to the Group's outstanding financial assets at FVOCI as of December 31, 2017 (see Note 10.2), the Group has evaluated, among other factors, the duration and extent to which the fair value of an investment is less than its cost, and the financial health of and near-term business outlook for the investee, including factors such as industry and sector performance, changes in technology, and operational and financing cash flow. For investments issued by counterparty under bankruptcy, the Group determines permanent impairment based on the price of the most recent transaction and on latest indications obtained from reputable counterparties (which regularly quotes prices for distressed securities) since current bid prices are no longer available.

(d) *Distinction Between Investment Properties and Owner-occupied Properties*

The Group determines whether a property qualifies as an investment property. In making its judgment, the Group considers whether the property generates cash flows largely independent of the other assets held by the Group. Owner-occupied properties generate cash flows that are attributable not only to property but also to other assets used in the production, supply process, and in the Group's banking operation.

Some properties comprise a portion that is held to earn rental or for capital appreciation and another portion that is held for use for administrative purposes. If these portions can be sold separately (or leased out separately under finance lease) then these portions can be accounted for separately. If the portions cannot be sold separately, the property is accounted for as investment property only if an insignificant portion is held for use in operations or for administrative purposes. Judgment is applied in determining whether ancillary services are so significant that a property does not qualify as investment property.

As of the end of the reporting period, the Group has certain building which comprise a portion that is held for rental and other portion is used for operations which were classified by the Group as Investment Property or as part of Bank Premises, Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment according to its current use.

(e) *Distinction Between Operating and Finance Leases*

The Group has entered into various lease agreements either as a lessor or a lessee. Judgment was exercised by management to distinguish each lease agreement as either an operating or finance lease by looking at the transfer or retention of significant risk and rewards of ownership of the properties covered by the agreements. Failure to make the right judgment will result in either overstatement or understatement of assets or liabilities. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, most of the Group's lease arrangements qualify as operating leases except for the various lease agreements of RCBC LFC which are accounted for under finance lease.

(f) *Classification and Determination of Fair Value of Acquired Properties*

The Group classifies its acquired properties as Bank Premises, Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment if used in operations, as Assets Held-for-Sale and Disposal Group classified under Other Resources if the Group expects that the properties will be recovered through sale rather than use, as Investment Properties if held for rental or for currently undetermined future use and is regarded as held for capital appreciation, or as financial assets in accordance with PFRS 9. At initial recognition, the Group determines the fair value of acquired properties through internal and external appraisal depending on the Group's threshold policy. The appraised value is determined based on the current economic and market conditions, as well as the physical condition of the property. The Group's methodology in determining the fair value of acquired properties are further discussed in Note 7.4.

(g) *Assessment of Significant Influence on HCPI in which the Group and Parent Company Holds Less than 20% Ownership*

The management considers that the Group and the Parent Company has significant influence on HCPI even though it holds less than 20% of the ordinary shares in the latter. In making this judgment, management considered the Group's and the Parent Company's rights to commit and undertake to vote, and to regulate the conduct of voting and the relationship between them with respect to their exercise of their voting rights (see Note 12.2).

(h) *Recognition of Provisions and Contingencies*

Judgment is exercised by management to distinguish between provisions and contingencies. Policies on recognition of provisions and contingencies are discussed in Note 2.14 and relevant disclosures are presented in Note 29. In dealing with the Group's various legal proceedings, the Group's estimate of the probable costs that may arise from claims and contingencies has been developed in consultation and coordination with the Group's internal and outside counsels acting in defense for the Group's and the Parent Company's legal cases and are based upon the analysis of probable results. Although the Group does not believe that its on going proceedings as disclosed in Note 29 will have material adverse effect on the Group's financial position, it is possible that future results of operations could be materially affected by changes in the estimates or in the effectiveness of the strategies conducted relating to those proceedings.

3.2 Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

The following are the key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of each reporting period, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period:

(a) *Estimation of Impairment Losses on Loans and Receivables and Investment Securities at Amortized Cost*

The Group reviews its loans and receivables portfolio to assess impairment at least on a semi-annual basis. In determining whether an impairment loss should be recognized in profit or loss, the Group makes judgments as to whether there is any observable data indicating that there is a measurable decrease in the estimated future cash flows from the portfolio before the decrease can be identified with an individual item in that portfolio. This evidence may include observable data indicating that there has been an adverse change in the payment status of borrowers or issuers in a group, or national or local economic conditions that correlate with defaults on assets in the group.

Moreover, the Group holds debt securities measured at amortized cost as of December 31, 2017 and 2016. The determination when an investment is other-than-temporarily impaired requires significant judgment. In making this judgment, the Group has evaluated, among other factors, the duration and extent to which the fair value of an investment is less than its cost, and the financial health of and near-term business outlook for the investee, including factors such as industry and sector performance, changes in technology and operational and financing cash flows. Management uses estimates based on historical loss experience for assets with credit risk characteristics and objective evidence of impairment similar to those in the portfolio when scheduling its future cash flows. The methodology and assumptions used for estimating both the amount and timing of future cash flows are reviewed regularly to reduce any differences between loss estimates and actual loss experience.

The carrying value of the Group's and the Parent Company's loans and receivables and the analysis of the allowance for impairment on such financial assets are shown in Note 11 while the information about the debt securities measured at amortized cost is disclosed in Note 10.

(b) *Determination of Fair Value Measurement for Financial Assets at FVPL and FVOCI*

The Group carries certain financial assets at fair value which requires the extensive use of accounting estimates and judgment. In cases when active market quotes are not available, fair value is determined by reference to the current market value of another financial instrument which is substantially the same or is calculated based on the expected cash flows of the underlying net base of the instrument (see Note 7.2).

The amount of changes in fair value would differ if the Group had utilized different valuation methods and assumptions. Any change in fair value of the financial assets and financial liabilities would affect profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

The fair value of derivative financial instruments that are not quoted in an active market is determined through valuation techniques using the net present value computation (see Note 7.2).

The carrying values of the Group's and the Parent Company's trading and investment securities and the amounts of fair value changes recognized on these financial assets are disclosed in Note 10.

(c) *Estimation of Useful Lives of Bank Premises, Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment, Investment Properties, Computer Software, Branch Licenses and Trading Rights*

The Group estimates the useful lives of bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment, investment properties and computer software based on the period over which the assets are expected to be available for use. The estimated useful lives of these assets are reviewed periodically and are updated if expectations differ from previous estimates due to physical wear and tear, technical or commercial obsolescence and legal or other limits on the use of the assets.

The Group's branch licenses and trading rights were regarded as having an indefinite useful lives considering there is no foreseeable limit to the period over which such assets are expected to generate net cash inflows for the Group. The assessment of having indefinite useful lives is reviewed periodically and is updated whether events and circumstances such as the period of control over these assets and legal or similar limits on the use of these assets continue to support such assessment.

The carrying amounts of bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment, investment properties and computer software are analyzed in Notes 13, 14 and 15, respectively, while the carrying amounts of goodwill and branch licenses are analyzed in Note 15. Based on management's assessment as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, there are no changes in the useful lives of these assets. Actual results, however, may vary due to changes in estimates brought about by changes in factors mentioned above.

(d) *Determination of Realizable Amount of Deferred Tax Assets*

The Group reviews its deferred tax assets at the end of each reporting period and reduces the carrying amount to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilized. The carrying values of recognized and unrecognized deferred tax assets as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 are disclosed in Note 26.1.

(e) *Estimation of Impairment Losses of Non-financial Assets*

Except for intangible assets with indefinite useful lives, PFRS requires that an impairment review be performed when certain impairment indications are present. The Group's policy on estimating the impairment of non-financial assets is discussed in detail in Note 2.19. Though management believes that the assumptions used in the estimation of fair values of non-financial assets are appropriate and reasonable, significant changes in these assumptions may materially affect the assessment of recoverable values and any resulting impairment loss could have a material adverse effect on the results of operations.

(f) *Determination of Fair Value of Investment Properties*

The Group's investment properties are composed of parcels of land, buildings and condominium units which are held for capital appreciation or held-for-lease, and are measured using cost model. The estimated fair value of investment properties disclosed in Note 7.4 is determined on the basis of the appraisals conducted by professional appraisers applying the relevant valuation methodologies as discussed therein.

For investment properties with appraisal conducted prior to the end of the current reporting period, management determines whether there are significant circumstances during the intervening period that may require adjustments or changes in the disclosure of fair value of those properties.

A significant change in key inputs and sources of information used in the determination of the fair value disclosed for those assets may result in adjustment in the carrying amount of the assets reported in the financial statements if their fair value will indicate evidence of impairment.

(g) *Valuation of Post employment Defined Benefits*

The determination of the Group's obligation and cost of post-employment defined benefits is dependent on the selection of certain assumptions used by actuaries in calculating such amounts. Those assumptions include, among others, discount rates, and salary increase rate. A significant change in any of these actuarial assumptions may generally affect the recognized expense, other comprehensive income or loss, and the carrying amount of the post-employment benefit obligation in the next reporting period.

The amounts of post-employment benefit obligation and related income or expense, and an analysis of the movements in the estimated present value of post-employment benefit obligation, as well as the significant assumptions used in estimating such obligation, are presented in Note 24.2.

4. **RISK MANAGEMENT POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES**

The Group is exposed to risks in relation to its operating, investing, and financing activities, and the business environment in which it operates. The Group's objectives in risk management are to ensure that it identifies, measures, monitors, and controls the various risks that arise from its business activities, and that it adheres strictly to the policies, procedures, and control systems which are established to address these risks.

A committee system is a fundamental part of the Group's process of managing risk. The following four committees of the Parent Company's BOD are relevant to this context.

- The Executive Committee, which meets weekly, has the power to act and pass upon such matters as the Board may entrust to it for action in between Board meetings. It may also consider and approve loans and other credit related matters, investments, purchase of stocks, bonds, securities and other commercial papers for the Bank's portfolio. The Executive Committee also has the power to review an asset or loan to ensure timely resolution and recognition of losses of impaired assets.
- The Risk Oversight Committee (ROC), which meets monthly, carries out the BOD's oversight responsibility for Group's capital adequacy and risk management strategy and actions covering credit, market and operational risks under Pillar 1 of the Basel framework, as well as the management of other material risks determined under Pillar II and the Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process (ICAAP) (see Note 5.2). Risk limits are reviewed and approved by the ROC.
- The Audit Committee, which meets monthly, reviews the results of the Internal Audit examinations and recommends remedial actions to the BOD as appropriate.
- The Related Party Transactions (RPT) Committee, which meets monthly and as necessary, reviews proposed RPT within the materiality threshold to determine whether or not the transaction is on terms no less favorable to the Parent Company than terms available to any unconnected third party under the same or similar circumstances. On favorable review, the RPT Committee endorses transactions to the BOD for approval.
- The Anti-Money Laundering (AML) Board Committee, which meets monthly, oversees the implementation of the Bank's Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing Prevention Program (MLPP) and ensures compliance thereof. The Committee also ensures that infractions are immediately corrected, issues are addressed and AML training of officers and staff are conducted.

Four senior management committees also provide a regular forum to take up risk issues.

- The Credit and Collection Committee (CRECOL), chaired by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and composed of the heads of credit risk taking business units and the head of credit management group, meets weekly to review and approve credit exposures within its authority. It also reviews plans and progress on the resolution of problem loan accounts.
- The Asset/Liability Committee (ALCO), chaired by the Treasurer of the Parent Company and with the participation of the CEO and key business and support unit heads including the President of the major subsidiary, RSB, meets weekly to appraise market trends, and economic and political developments. It provides direction to the management of interest rate risk, liquidity risk, foreign currency risk, and trading and investment portfolio decisions. It sets prices or rates for various asset and liability and trading products, in light of funding costs and competitive and other market conditions. It receives confirmation that market risk limits (as described in the succeeding pages) are not breached; or if breached, it provides guidance on the handling of the relevant risk exposure in between ROC meetings.

- The Related Party Transactions Management Committee (RPT ManCom), composed of the Group Heads of the business units as specified in the charter or their respective designates. It meets monthly to review and approve proposed RPT below the materiality threshold for the purpose of determining whether or not the transaction is on terms no less favorable to the Bank than terms available to any unconnected third party under the same or similar circumstances unless the transaction requires board approval. On favorable review, the RPT ManCom endorses the transaction for BOD confirmation.
- The Anti-Money Laundering Management Committee (AMLCom) was created through an order of the Senior Management Committee on June 24, 2002, for the evaluation of the suspicious transaction reports (STR) reported by different units before submission to the Anti-Money Laundering Council (AMLC). The AMLCom assists the BOD in implementing the Group's MLPP in order to ensure compliance with BSP rules and regulations relating to the prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing.

The AMLCom is composed of the Chief Compliance Officer as the Chairperson and Presiding Officer and the Heads of Operations Group, Retail Banking Group, Controllershship Group, Legal Affairs Group, Operational Risk Management Group, Legal Affairs Division as members, and AML Division as the Rapporteur. The AML Division, through the Chief Compliance Officer, reports to the Audit and Compliance Committee and to the AML Board Committee its monthly activities including the AMLCom meetings.

The Parent Company established a Corporate Risk Management Services (CRISMS) Group, headed by the Chief Risk Officer, to ensure that consistent implementation of the objectives of risk identification, measurement and/or assessment, mitigation, and monitoring are pursued via practices commensurate with the group wide risk profile. In 2016, CRISMS was divided into two sub groups, the Business Risk Group (BRG) and the Operational Risk Management Group (ORMG), for a more focused and dedicated management of risks. CRISMS is independent of all risk-taking business segments and reports directly to the BOD's ROC. It participates in the CRECOL and ATCO meetings.

In addition to established risk management systems and controls, the Group holds capital commensurate with the levels of risk it undertakes (see Note 5), in accordance with regulatory capital standards and internal benchmarks set by the Parent Company's BOD.

4.1 Group's Strategy in Using Financial Instruments

It is the Group's intent to generate returns mainly from the traditional financial intermediation and service-provision activities, augmented by returns from positions based on views on the financial markets. The main source of risk, therefore, remains to be that arising from credit risk exposures. Nevertheless, within BSP regulatory constraints, and subject to limits and parameters established by the BOD and/or the ROC, the Group is exposed to liquidity risk and interest rate risk inherent in the Group's operations, and other market risks, which include foreign exchange risk.

In the course of performing financial intermediation functions, the Group accepts deposits from customers at fixed and floating rates, and for various periods, and seeks to earn interest margins by investing these funds in high-quality assets. The conventional strategy to enhance net interest margin is the investment of short-term funds in longer-term assets, such as fixed-income securities. While, in doing so, the Group maintains liquidity at prudent levels to meet all claims that fall due, the Group fully recognizes the consequent interest rate risk exposure.

The Group's investment portfolio is composed mainly of marketable, sovereign and corporate debt instruments.

The Parent Company was granted by the BSP additional derivatives authorisations effective January 2011. Products approved under the Limited Dealer Authority (Type 2) are foreign currency forwards, non-deliverable forwards, interest rate and cross currency swaps while credit linked notes (CLNs) and bond options were approved under the Limited User Authority (Type 3). In February 2012, bond forwards, non-deliverable swaps and foreign exchange options have been included under the same Limited User Authority (Type 3). In June 2013, the Parent Company was granted a Type 2 license non-deliverable swaps, foreign currency options, bond and interest rate options, and asset swaps. During the same period, additional Type 3 licenses for foreign exchange-option and bond-option linked notes were likewise approved. The Parent Company's derivatives portfolio consists mostly of short-term currency forward contracts and swaps.

4.2 Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the potential insufficiency of funds available to meet the demands of the Group's customers to repay maturing liabilities. The Group manages liquidity risk by timing the maturity mismatch between assets and liabilities, and by holding sufficient liquid assets of appropriate quality and marketability.

The Group recognizes the liquidity risk inherent in its activities, and identifies, measures, monitors and controls the liquidity risk inherent to the members of the Group which are financial intermediaries.

The Group's liquidity policy is to manage its operations to ensure that funds available are more than adequate to meet demands of its customers and to enable deposits to be repaid on maturity. The Group's liquidity policies and procedures are set out in its funding and liquidity plan which contains certain funding requirements based on assumptions and uses resources and liability maturity gap analysis.

The gap analyses as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 are presented below.

	Group 2017					
	One to Three Months	Three Months to One Year	One to Five Years	More than Five Years	Non-maturity	Total
Assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	P 40,857	P 681	P 1,676	P 581	P 59,356	P 103,141
Investments - net	17,506	1,969	14,218	12,985	6,141	71,749
Loans and receivables - net	31,548	62,547	805,486	25,195	69,509	554,215
Other resources - net	9,033	566	512	36	3,410	13,557
Total resources	108,944	65,763	122,492	41,722	148,426	555,086
Liabilities:						
Deposit liabilities	62,024	9,867	41,704	3,503	112,758	308,482
Bills payable	18,518	15,405	6,179	1,429	2,244	41,967
Accounts payable	-	-	28,964	-	-	28,964
Subordinated debt	-	-	9,968	-	-	9,968
Other liabilities	9,572	67	-	-	7,115	16,754
Total liabilities	89,916	25,239	56,641	4,932	112,147	486,961
Equity	-	-	-	-	62,057	67,022
Total liabilities and equity	89,916	25,239	56,641	4,932	372,168	555,086
On-book gap	18,922	40,424	66,851	112,725	(41,096)	-
Cumulative on-book gap	18,922	51,466	148,317	231,042	-	-
Contingent resources	9,969	-	-	-	-	9,969
Contingent liabilities	10,125	-	-	-	-	10,125
Off-book gap	(206)	-	-	-	-	(206)
Cumulative off-book gap	(206)	(206)	(206)	(206)	(206)	(206)
Periodic gap	18,716	40,424	66,851	112,725	(231,042)	(206)
Cumulative total gap	P 18,716	P 51,760	P 148,111	P 230,836	(P 206)	P -

	Scenario 2016					
	One to Three Months	Three Months to One Year	One to Five Years	More than Five Years	Non-maturing	Total
Resources						
Cash and cash equivalents	47,331	-	-	-	68,012	115,343
Investments - net assets and	15,729	4,683	9,609	17,747	5,547	76,015
receivables - net	26,062	52,055	83,224	88,427	35,203	305,052
Other resources - net	7,305	232	1,063	34	15,309	26,143
Total resources	96,427	56,950	93,896	125,411	144,271	521,123
Liabilities						
Deposits	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liabilities	51,586	15,147	10,521	-	275,621	352,275
Payable	9,552	5,628	20,977	1,493	-	37,650
Bonds payable	13,673	-	27,932	-	-	41,605
Subordinated debt	-	-	9,952	-	-	9,952
Other liabilities	8,281	24	-	-	6,529	14,834
Total liabilities	83,092	20,799	69,480	1,493	282,150	457,964
Gap	13,335	36,151	24,416	123,918	62,121	63,159
Total liabilities and equity	83,092	20,799	69,480	1,493	282,150	457,964
On-bank gap	13,335	36,151	24,416	123,918	62,121	-
Cumulative on-bank gap	13,335	52,538	77,177	201,492	-	-
Contingent resources	44,327	2,092	2,134	-	-	48,553
Contingent liabilities	21,473	2,052	2,134	-	-	25,659
Off-bank gap	6,548	-	-	-	-	6,548
Cumulative off-bank gap	6,548	6,548	6,548	6,548	6,548	-
Periodic gap	9,552	16,751	24,614	124,315	201,492	6,548
Cumulative total gap	9,552	40,012	70,629	124,315	6,548	-

	Parent Company					
	2017					
	One to Three Months	Three Months to One Year	One to Five Years	More than Five Years	Non-maturity	Total
Assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	P 34,791	P 675	P 1,441	P 501	P 46,377	P 83,342
Investments - net	14,284	90	11,965	86,297	4,244	77,151
Loans and receivables - net	24,938	46,956	62,084	74,179	56,876	265,151
Other resources - net	5,392	146	12	12	9,502	15,229
Total resources	78,610	48,532	76,060	120,892	112,559	441,572
Liabilities:						
Deposits						
- liabilities	49,147	4,402	70,941	2,905	225,512	288,677
Accruals payable	16,400	11,936	5,185	1,500	-	35,021
Payables			74,560			74,560
Subordinated debt			9,568			9,568
Other liabilities	5,112				6,221	11,333
Total liabilities	70,659	16,338	85,686	4,405	225,512	341,572
Equity:						
Equity					60,922	60,922
Total liabilities and equity	70,659	16,338	85,686	4,405	286,434	341,572
On-book gap	4,321	30,214	22,806	116,258	172,345	
Cumulative on-book gap	8,175	30,505	61,321	176,505		
Contingent resources	9,824					9,824
Contingent liabilities	2,824					2,824
Off-book gap						
Cumulative off-book gap						
Periodic gap	4,321	30,214	22,806	116,258	172,345	
Cumulative total gap	P 8,174	P 30,515	P 61,321	P 176,505	P	P

	Parent Company						
	2015		2016		2017		
	Due to Three Months	Three Months to One Year	Due to One Year	More than One Year	Non-maturity	Total	
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	P 42,154	P -	P -	P -	P -	P 42,154	
Investments - net	16,044	5,178	4,699	51,477	21,892	98,290	
Loans and receivables - net	14,756	58,052	47,406	12,864	42,895	127,917	
Other resources - net	1,440	-	493	-	11,461	13,394	
Total resources	74,394	63,230	52,598	64,341	76,248	220,711	
Liabilities							
Deposits							
- liabilities	40,166	16,414	9,786	-	199,775	265,161	
- due payable	7,522	1,127	19,470	1,421	-	29,540	
- bonds payable	17,173	-	27,023	-	-	44,196	
- subordinated debt	-	-	9,952	-	-	9,952	
- other liabilities	4,698	-	-	-	7,621	12,319	
Total liabilities	68,959	17,541	47,231	1,421	207,396	185,148	
Equity							
Total liabilities and equity	68,959	17,541	47,231	1,421	207,396	185,148	
On-bank gap	4,245	21,816	10,124	62,920	116,725	215,830	
Cumulative on-bank gap	4,245	26,061	36,185	116,725	-	183,196	
Contingent resources	14,557	2,032	2,138	-	-	18,727	
Contingent liabilities	20,911	2,032	2,138	-	-	25,081	
Off-bank gap	(6,354)	-	-	-	-	(6,354)	
Cumulative off-bank gap	(6,354)	(6,354)	(6,354)	(6,354)	(6,354)	(25,456)	
Reserve gap	1,891	22,839	11,135	132,724	123,079	271,678	
Cumulative total gap	1,891	22,839	11,135	132,724	123,079	271,678	

Pursuant to applicable BSP regulations, the Group is required to maintain reserves against deposit liabilities which are based on certain percentages of deposits. The required reserves against deposit liabilities shall be kept in the form of deposits placed in the Group's demand deposit accounts with the BSP. The BSP also requires the Parent Company and RSB to maintain asset cover of 100% for foreign currency denominated liabilities of their respective PCOUs, of which 30% must be in liquid assets.

4.2.1 Foreign Currency Liquidity Management

The liquidity risk management policies and objectives described also apply to the management of any foreign currency to which the Group maintains significant exposure. Specifically, the Group ensures that its measurement, monitoring, and control systems account for these exposures as well. The Group sets and regularly reviews limits on the size of the cash flow mismatches for each significant individual currency and in aggregate over appropriate time horizons. The Group also assesses its access to foreign exchange markets when setting up its risk limits.

Following BSP Circular No. 639 on ICAAP, the Group likewise calculates and maintains a level of capital needed to support unexpected losses attributable to liquidity risk (see Note 5.2).

4.2.2 Liquidity Risk Stress

To augment the effectiveness of the Group's gap analysis, the Group regularly assesses liquidity risk based on behavioral and hypothetical assumptions under stress conditions. The results of these liquidity stress simulations are reported monthly to the ROC.

4.3 Market Risk

The Group's exposure to market risk is the potential diminution of earnings arising from the movement of market interest rates as well as the potential loss of market value, primarily of its holdings of debt securities and derivatives, due to price fluctuations.

The market risks of the Group are: (a) foreign exchange risk, (b) interest rate risk and (c) equity price risk. The Group manages these risks via a process of identifying, analyzing, measuring and controlling relevant market risk factors, and establishing appropriate limits for the various exposures. The market risk metrics in use, each of which has a corresponding limit, include the following:

- **Nominal Position** – an open risk position that is held as of any point in time expressed in terms of the nominal amount of the exposure.
- **Dollar Value of 01 (DV01)** – an estimate of the price impact due to a one-basis point change in the yield of fixed income securities. It effectively captures both the nominal size of the portfolio as well as its duration. A given DV01 limit accommodates various combinations of portfolio nominal size and duration, thus providing a degree of flexibility to the trading/risk taking function, but at the same time represents a ceiling to the rate sensitivity of the exposure according to the Group's risk appetite.
- **Value-at-Risk (VaR)** – an estimate of the amount of loss that a given risk exposure is unlikely to exceed during a given time period, at a given level of statistical confidence. Analytically, VaR is the product of: (a) the sensitivity of the market value of the position to movements of the relevant market risk factors, and (b) the volatility of the market risk factor for the given time horizon at a specified level of statistical confidence. Typically, the Group uses a 99% confidence level for this measurement. VaR is used as a risk measure for trading positions, which are marked-to-market (as opposed to exposures resulting from banking, or accrual, book resources and liabilities). Foreign Exchange Position VaR uses a one-day holding period, while Fixed Income VaR uses a defeasance period assessed periodically as appropriate to allow an orderly unwinding of the position. VaR models are back tested to ensure that results remain consistent with the expectations based on the chosen statistical confidence level. While the Parent Company and RSB use VaR as an important tool for measuring market risk, they are cognizant of its limitations, notably the following:
 - The use of historical data as a basis for determining the possible range of future outcomes may not always cover all possible scenarios, especially those of an exceptional nature.

- VaR is based on historical volatility. Future volatility may be different due to either random, one-time events or structural changes (including changes in correlation). VaR may be unable to capture volatility due to either of these.
 - The holding period assumption may not be valid in all cases, such as during periods of extremely stressed market liquidity.
 - VaR is, by definition, an estimate at a specified level of confidence. Losses may occur beyond VaR. A 99% VaR implies that losses can exceed VaR 1% of the time.
 - In cases where a parametric distribution is assumed to calculate VaR, the assumed distribution may not fit the actual distribution well.
 - VaR assumes a static position over the holding period. In reality, trading positions change, even during the trading day.
- Net Interest Income (NII)-at-Risk – more specifically, in its current implementation, refers to the impact on net interest income for a 12-month horizon of adverse movements in interest rates. For this purpose, the Group employs a gap analysis to measure the interest rate sensitivity of its financial position (local and foreign currencies). As of a given reporting date, the interest rate gap analysis (see Note 4.3.2) measures mismatches between the amounts of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities re-pricing within “time buckets” going forward from the end of the reporting period. A positive gap means net asset sensitivity, which implies that an increase in the interest rates would have a positive effect on the Group’s net interest income. Conversely, a negative gap means net liability sensitivity, implying that an increase in the interest rates would have a negative effect on the Group’s net interest income. The rate movements assumed for measuring NII-at-Risk are consistent with a 99% confidence level with respect to historical rate volatility, assuming a one-year holding period. The Group considers the sum of NII-at-risk and the VaR of the FVPL and HTC portfolios as the Earnings-at-Risk (EaR) estimate.
 - Capital-at-Risk (CaR) – BSP Circular No. 544 refers to the estimation of the effect of interest rate changes as not only with respect to earnings, but also on the Group’s economic value. The estimate, therefore, must consider the fair valuation effect of rate changes on non-trading positions. This includes both those positions with fair value changes against profit or loss, as well as those with fair value changes recognized directly in equity. Adding this to the EaR determined using the procedure described above provides a measure of capital subject to interest rate risk. The Group sets its CaR limit as a percentage of the equity in the statement of financial position.

In addition to the limits corresponding to the above measurements, the following are also in place:

- Loss Limit – represents a ceiling on accumulated month-to-date and year-to-date losses. For trading positions, a Management Action Trigger (MAT) is also usually defined to be at 50% of the Loss Limit. When MAT is breached, the risk-taking unit must consult with ALCO for approval of a course of action moving forward.
- Product Limit – the nominal position exposure for certain specific financial instruments is established.

Stress Testing, which uses more severe rate/price volatility and/or holding period assumptions, (relative to those used for VaR) is applied to marked-to-market positions to arrive at "worst case" loss estimates. This supplements the VaR measure. In recognition of its limitations mentioned above

A summary of the VaR position of the trading portfolios at December 31 is as follows:

		Group						
		At December 31	Average	Maximum	Minimum			
2017:								
Foreign currency risk	P	7	P	11	P	32	P	2
Interest rate risk		343		282		207		126
Overall	P	370	P	298	P	533	P	156
2016:								
Foreign currency risk	P	15	P	50	P	28	P	4
Interest rate risk		201		212		425		166
Overall	P	216	P	242	P	443	P	162
2015:								
Foreign currency risk	P	15	P	7	P	17	P	2
Interest rate risk		272		245		360		162
Overall	P	284	P	252	P	377	P	162
		Parent Company						
		At December 31	Average	Maximum	Minimum			
2017:								
Foreign currency risk	P	7	P	11	P	31	P	2
Interest rate risk		142		125		271		61
Overall	P	154	P	136	P	309	P	42
2016:								
Foreign currency risk	P	15	P	9	P	23	P	3
Interest rate risk		83		104		212		70
Overall	P	98	P	111	P	249	P	73
2015:								
Foreign currency risk	P	15	P	7	P	16	P	1
Interest rate risk		118		114		192		61
Overall	P	133	P	121	P	208	P	66

4.3.1 Foreign Exchange Risk

Foreign exchange risk is the risk to earnings or capital arising from changes in foreign exchange rates. The net foreign exchange exposure, or the difference between foreign currency denominated assets and foreign currency denominated liabilities, is capped by current BSP regulations. Compliance with this ceiling by the Group and the respective foreign currency positions of its subsidiaries are reported to the BSP on a daily basis as required. Beyond this constraint, the Group manages its foreign exchange exposure by limiting it within the conservative levels justifiable from a return/risk perspective. In addition, the Group regularly calculates VaR for each currency position, which is incorporated in the foregoing market risk management discussion.

The breakdown of the financial resources and financial liabilities as to foreign and Philippine peso-denominated balances, after elimination of intercompany accounts or transactions, as of December 31 follows:

	<u>Group</u>		
	<u>Foreign Currencies</u>	<u>Philippine Pesos</u>	<u>Total</u>
2017:			
<u>Resources:</u>			
Cash and other cash items	P 1,029	P 13,664	P 14,693
Due from BSP	-	58,801	58,801
Due from other banks	17,322	1,896	19,218
Loans arising from reverse repurchase agreement	37	9,794	9,831
Financial assets at FVPL	1,214	6,447	7,591
Financial assets at FVOCI	51	5,312	5,363
Investment securities at amortized cost	50,044	9,934	59,978
Loans and receivables - net	54,940	239,303	294,243
Other resources	<u>456</u>	<u>436</u>	<u>892</u>
	P 125,623	P 405,582	P 531,205
<u>Liabilities:</u>			
Deposit liabilities	P 71,868	P 316,344	P 388,212
Bills payable	36,598	7,369	43,967
Bonds payable	28,060	-	28,060
Subordinated debt	-	9,968	9,968
Accrued interest and other expenses	833	3,091	3,929
Other liabilities	<u>4,152</u>	<u>7,076</u>	<u>11,228</u>
	P 141,521	P 344,048	P 485,569
2016			
<u>Resources:</u>			
Cash and other cash items	P 5,242	P 9,934	P 15,176
Due from BSP	-	66,520	66,520
Due from other banks	23,775	1,518	25,293
Loans arising from reverse repurchase agreement	-	7,889	7,889
Financial assets at FVPL	15,679	2,400	18,079
Financial assets at FVOCI	1,744	3,935	5,679
Investment securities at amortized cost	40,542	11,321	51,864
Loans and receivables - net	55,148	251,319	306,467
Other resources	<u>122</u>	<u>662</u>	<u>784</u>
	P 142,242	P 355,208	P 497,450

2016

Liabilities:

	Foreign Currencies	Group Philippine Pesos	Total
Deposit liabilities	P 92,284	P 260,795	P 353,079
Bills payable	31,409	5,934	37,343
Bonds payable	41,595		41,595
Subordinated debt		9,952	9,952
Accrued interest and other expenses	1,103	3,181	4,284
Other liabilities	802	8,081	8,883
	<u>P 167,193</u>	<u>P 288,241</u>	<u>P 455,734</u>

Parent Company

2017:

Resources:

	Foreign Currencies	Philippine Pesos	Total
Cash and other cash items	P 868	P 9,547	P 10,415
Due from BSP		47,186	47,186
Due from other banks	17,839	529	18,368
Loans and receivables arising from reverse repurchase agreement		7,435	7,435
Financial assets at FVPL	1,145	5,408	6,553
Financial assets at FVOCI	15	3,421	3,436
Investment securities at amortized cost	45,507	2,634	48,141
Loans and receivables - net	54,845	210,546	265,391
Other resources	102	70	172
	<u>P 120,328</u>	<u>P 287,179</u>	<u>P 407,507</u>

Liabilities:

Deposit liabilities	P 64,400	P 224,267	P 288,667
Bills payable	36,597	3	36,600
Bonds payable	28,060		28,060
Subordinated debt		9,968	9,968
Accrued interest and other expenses	796	2,213	3,009
Other liabilities	625	5,561	6,186
	<u>P 130,548</u>	<u>P 242,012</u>	<u>P 372,560</u>

	Parent Company		Total
	Foreign Currencies	Philippine Pesos	
2016:			
Resources:			
Cash and other cash items	P 1,066	P 9,934	P 11,000
Due from BSP	-	50,871	50,871
Due from other banks	23,561	346	24,109
Loans and receivables arising from reverse repurchase agreement	-	4,931	4,931
Financial assets at FVPL	14,673	2,400	17,073
Financial assets at FVOCI	1,744	1,591	3,735
Investment securities at amortized cost	40,542	4,306	44,842
Loans and receivables - net	55,149	173,264	228,412
Other resources	89	377	466
	<u>P 136,825</u>	<u>P 246,636</u>	<u>P 385,461</u>
Liabilities:			
Deposit liabilities	P 64,959	P 194,266	P 260,165
Bills payable	31,709	3	31,712
Bonds payable	41,595	-	41,595
Subordinated debt	-	9,952	9,952
Accrued interest and other expenses	750	2,763	3,513
Other liabilities	802	3,292	6,094
	<u>P 140,815</u>	<u>P 212,218</u>	<u>P 353,033</u>

4.3.2 Interest Rate Risk

The interest rate risk inherent in the Group's financial statements arises from re-pricing mismatches between assets and liabilities. The Group follows a policy on managing its assets and liabilities so as to ensure that exposure to fluctuations in interest rates are kept within acceptable limits. ALCO meets at least on a weekly basis to set rates for various assets and liabilities and trading products. ALCO employs interest rate gap analysis to measure the interest rate sensitivity of those financial instruments.

The interest rate gap analyses of assets and liabilities as of December 31 based on re-pricing maturities are shown below. It should be noted that such interest rate gap analyses are based on the following key assumptions:

- Loans and time deposits are subject to re-pricing on their contractual maturity dates. Non-performing loans, however, are not re-priced.
- Debt securities at amortized cost are bucketed based on their re-pricing profile.
- Held-for-trading securities and derivatives are considered as non-rate sensitive; and,
- For assets and liabilities with no definite re-pricing schedule or maturity, pricing is based on the Group's empirical assumptions.

Quarter 2017										
One to Three Months		Three Months to One Year		One to Five Years		More than Five Years		Non-rate Sensitive		Total
Assets										
Cash and cash equivalents	P	31,016	P	361	P	484	P	89	P	31,940
Intergovernmental - net		9,712		1,569		14,819		52,915		78,115
Loans and receivables - net		155,155		40,828		107,289		51,778		355,050
Other resources - net		2,651		374		219		517		3,761
Total resources		298,744		42,432		132,831		105,299		580,306
Liabilities										
Deposits		176,525		14,161		18,860		217,195		366,741
Bills payable		12,690		1,225		5,434		1,419		20,368
Bonds payable	-	-	-	-	-	25,096	-	-	-	25,096
Subordinated debt	-	-	-	-	-	9,568	-	-	-	9,568
Other liabilities		2,186		29		-		15,422		17,637
Total liabilities		191,401		15,415		34,858		234,046		475,720
Equity										
Total liabilities and equity		382,802		30,830		69,716		468,095		951,988
On-book gap		36,521		27,017		41,328		61,253		166,129
Cumulative on-book gap		36,521		44,438		105,826		267,112		454,925
Contingent liabilities		9,947		-		-		-		9,947
Contingent liabilities		9,947		-		-		123		10,170
Off-book gap	(	87		-		-		168		81
Cumulative off-book gap	(	87		81		81		255		323
Periodic gap		36,513		27,017		41,328		61,286		166,154
Cumulative total gap	P	36,513	P	44,519	P	105,818	P	267,404	(P	455,246)

		Season 2016					
	Due to These Months	Three Months to Dec Year	Due to Five Years	More than Five Years	Non rate Sensitive	Total	
Resources							
Cash and cash equivalents	P 42,341	P -	P -	P -	P -	P 42,341	
Loans receivable - net	3,159	4,512	2,198	37,347	3,092	115,191	
Loans and receivables - net	142,132	12,146	74,189	33,568	23,798	305,652	
Other resources - net	2,163	42	126	582	12,623	24,143	
Total resources	197,494	36,682	84,111	71,122	138,613	521,193	
Liabilities							
Deposits							
insured	106,462	21,572	14,033	-	204,988	353,077	
non-insurable	11,623	-	27,922	-	-	41,595	
Other liabilities	-	-	9,952	-	-	9,952	
Total liabilities	118,410	31,516	67,989	-	221,154	459,069	
Equity					167,033	92,123	
Total liabilities and equity	118,410	31,516	67,989	-	388,187	521,193	
On-bank gap	52,624	5,156	16,122	71,122	145,333		
Cumulative on-bank gap	52,624	57,780	73,882	145,333			
Contingent resources	21,763	2,002	2,138			25,903	
Contingent liabilities	21,990	2,002	2,138			25,903	
Off-bank gap	10				162	212	
Cumulative off-bank gap	10	10	30	10	212		
Periodic gap	52,614	5,156	16,122	71,122	145,115	212	
Cumulative total gap	52,604	57,790	73,892	145,301	212		

Parent Company										
2017										
	One to Three Months	Three Months to One Year	One to Five Years	More than Five Years	Non-rate Sensitive	Total				
Resources:										
Cash and cash equivalents	P 26,071	P -	P -	P -	P 57,411	P 83,482				
Investments - net	9,021	506	41,395	46,297	9,514	73,151				
Loans and receivables - net	57,541	27,536	29,093	29,132	23,641	266,753				
Other resources - net	2	946	32	12	14,815	15,797				
Total resources	122,410	28,408	41,028	55,341	104,122	441,576				
Liabilities:										
Deposits										
- liabilities	84,212	5,873	10,341	2,275	187,016	289,667				
- payable	3,593	-	4,387	1,541	-	9,501				
- bonds	-	-	28,060	-	-	28,060				
- subordinated debt	-	-	2,958	-	-	2,958				
- other	-	-	-	-	-	-				
- liabilities	88	-	-	-	18,452	18,540				
Total liabilities	122,405	5,873	52,296	4,005	195,468	374,641				
Equity										
	-	-	-	-	16,329	16,329				
Total liabilities and equity	122,405	5,873	52,296	4,005	211,797	441,576				
On-book gap										
Cumulative	72,325	22,535	11,228	21,336	(155,015)	-				
on-book gap	72,325	22,535	11,228	21,336	(155,015)	-				
Contingent resources										
Contingent liabilities	9,824	-	-	-	-	9,824				
	9,824	-	-	-	-	9,824				
Off-book gap										
Cumulative	-	-	-	-	-	-				
off-book gap	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Periodic gap										
Cumulative	72,325	22,535	11,228	21,336	(155,015)	-				
total gap	P 72,325	P 22,535	P 11,228	P 21,336	P (155,015)	P -				

		Parent Company					
		2016					
		One to Three Months	Three Months to One Year	One to Five Years	More than Five Years	Non-rate sensitive	Total
Resources:							
Cash and cash equivalents	P	42,143	P	-	P	49,783	P 91,426
Investments - rep		174	3,307	7,596	35,477	17,876	92,497
Loans and receivables - net		131,672	21,221	22,413	3,013	21,336	217,917
Other resources - net		3	2	827	12	15,882	15,699
Total resources		174,092	24,431	30,836	64,307	125,782	417,762
Liabilities:							
Deposit liabilities		61,116	15,376	9,386	-	17,948	264,165
Debt payable		14,291	-	15,411	-	-	31,712
Accounts payable		13,673	-	27,923	-	-	41,595
Subordinated debt		-	-	9,952	-	-	9,952
Other liabilities		313	-	-	-	11,603	12,321
Total liabilities		91,393	15,376	62,671	-	29,551	195,745
Gap		-	-	-	-	62,032	62,032
Total liabilities and equity		91,503	15,376	63,071	-	243,322	413,782
On-book gap		85,092	9,107	12,503	64,307	124,910	-
Cumulative on-book gap		13,023	92,306	59,763	124,910	-	-
Contingent resources		14,957	2,032	2,178	-	-	19,167
Contingent liabilities		2,011	2,032	2,138	-	-	25,081
Off-book gap		(6,354)	-	-	-	-	(6,354)
Cumulative off-book gap		(6,354)	(6,354)	(6,354)	(6,354)	6,354	-
Periodic gap		26,745	9,107	12,503	64,307	124,910	(6,354)
Cumulative total gap	P	26,745	P 53,652	P 53,527	P 112,656	P 6,354	P -

The table below summarizes the potential impact on the Group's and the Parent Company's annual interest income of parallel rate shifts using the repricing profile shown in the previous pages.

	Changes in Interest Rates (in basis points)			
	- 100	- 200	+ 100	+ 200
December 31, 2017				
Group	(P 586)	(P 1,172)	P 586	P 1,172
Parent Company	(831)	(1,661)	831	1,661
December 31, 2016				
Group	(P 667)	(P 1,335)	P 667	P 1,335
Parent Company	(906)	(1,811)	906	1,811

4.3.3 Equity Price Risk

The Group's exposure to price risk on equity securities held and classified in the statement of financial position as financial assets at FVPL or financial assets at FVOCI as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 is managed through diversification of portfolio and monitoring of changes in market prices. Diversification of the portfolio is done in accordance with the limits set by the Group.

Moreover, RCBC Capital and RSI, estimate the potential loss and determines the market and position risk requirement on equity securities at FVPL in the computation of the market and position risk requirement for all equity positions.

RCAP uses the delta-normal approach as its VaR model to estimate the daily potential loss that can be incurred from equity securities held for trading. VaR is a key measure in the management of market price risk. VaR is defined as a statistical estimate of the maximum possible loss on a given position during a time horizon within a given confidence interval. RCAP uses a 99% confidence level and a minimum 260-day observation period in VaR calculation. In addition, RSI computes its market and position risk for all equity positions, if any, in conjunction with the Risk Based Capital Adequacy ratio required to be maintained. Market and position risk requirement is calculated using position risk factor multiplied by mark to-market value security.

4.4 Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that the counterparty in a transaction may default, and arises from lending, trade finance, treasury, derivatives and other activities undertaken by the Group. The Group manages credit risk through a system of policies and authorities that govern the processes and practices of all credit-originating and borrowing relationship management units.

The Credit and Group Risk Division (CGRD) of CRISMS assists senior management: (a) in establishing risk concentration limits at the portfolio level; and (b) in the continuous monitoring of the actual credit risk portfolio from the perspective of those limits and other risk management objectives. The Credit Management Group (CMG) on the other hand, is responsible for (a) the development of credit policies relating to account management; (b) the financial evaluation and credit risk rating of borrowers; and, (c) asset quality review.

At the individual borrower level, exposure to credit risk is managed via adherence to a set of policies, the most notable features of which, in this context, are: (a) credit approving authority, except as noted below, is not exercised by a single individual but rather, through a hierarchy of limits is effectively exercised collectively; (b) business center managers have limited approval authority only for credit exposure related to deposit-taking operations in the form of bills purchase, acceptance of second endorsed checks and 1:1 loan accommodations; (c) an independent credit risk assessment by the CMG of large corporate and middle-market borrowers, summarized into a borrower risk rating, is provided as input to the credit decision making process; and, (d) borrower credit analysis is performed at origination and at least annually thereafter.

Impairment provisions are recognized for losses that have been incurred at the end of the reporting period. Significant changes in the economy, or in particular industry segments that represent a concentration in the Group's financial instrument portfolio could result in losses that are different from those provided for at the end of each reporting period. Management, therefore, carefully monitors the changes and adjusts the Group's exposure to such credit risk, as necessary.

Loans and receivables, regardless if the accounts have been fully paid, extended or renewed in subsequent year or period, are subjected to evaluation for possible losses. The Parent Company uses its internal credit risk rating system (ICRRS) to determine any evidence of impairment. The rating system classifies performing accounts from a scale of AAA indicating an extremely strong capacity of the counterparty to meet financial commitments down to ratings lower than CCC demonstrating weakness in the counterparty's economic and financial condition that could lead to payment default on financial commitments. Past due accounts, accounts identified for phase-out and those that exhibit the characteristics of classified loans shall be risk-rated following the guidelines on credit classification per BSP Manual of Regulations for Banks, i.e., Especially Mentioned, Substandard, Doubtful or Loss.

Only impaired accounts with significant amount are subject to specific impairment test. Impaired accounts refer to those accounts which were rated BB+ to lower than CCC and accounts rated as Especially Mentioned, Substandard, Doubtful and Loss. Significant amount is at least P0.5 for sales contract receivables and P15 for all other loan and receivable accounts.

In the process of applying the Parent Company's ICRRS in determining indications of impairment on individually significant items of loans and receivables, the Parent Company analyzes the credit quality of the borrowers and counterparties through a set of criteria and rating scale classified into the following:

<u>Risk Rating</u>	<u>Rating Description/Criteria</u>
AAA	Extremely strong capacity to meet financial commitments
AA+	Very strong capacity to meet financial commitments
A+	Strong capacity to meet financial commitments, but somewhat susceptible to adverse economic conditions and changes in circumstances
BBB+	Adequate capacity to meet financial commitments, but more subject to adverse economic conditions
BB+	Less vulnerable in the near-term but faces major ongoing uncertainties to adverse business, financial and economic conditions
B+	More vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions but currently has the capacity to meet financial commitments
CCC and below*	Not at risk of loss at the moment and the borrower has the financial capacity to meet its obligations but its exposure to adverse business, financial or economic conditions has weakened it and, unless present trends are reversed, could eventually lead to losses.
Especially Mentioned	Has potential weaknesses that deserve management's close attention and if left uncorrected, these weaknesses may affect the repayment of the loan.

<u>Risk Rating</u>	<u>Rating Description/Category</u>
Substandard	Have well-defined weakness/(es), that may jeopardize repayment/liquidation in full, either in respect of the business, cash flow or financial position, which may include adverse trends or developments that affect willingness or repayment ability of the borrower.
Doubtful	Loans and credit accommodations that exhibit more severe weaknesses than those classified as "Substandard", whose characteristics on the basis of currently known facts, conditions and values make collection or liquidation highly improbable
Loss	Loans considered absolutely uncollectable or worthless

* Ratings from AA to CCC are modified by a plus (+) or minus (-) sign to show relative standing within the rating category.

The foregoing ICRRS is established by the Parent Company in congruence with and with reference to the credit risk rating methodology used by Standard & Poor's (S&P) in measuring the creditworthiness of an individual debt issue which is still performing or current in status. The risk ratings determined by the Parent Company for its portfolio of loans and receivables at a given review date is updated to consider the possible shift in the economy or business environment or circumstances affecting the industry and the entity or borrower, in particular. Accordingly, a periodic assessment of credit quality may improve the borrower's rating or it could lead to one or more rating downgrades over time.

Credit Risk Management Division (CRMD) of RSB is, in turn, tasked to measure, control and manage credit risk on the consumer loans business of RSB through the performance of regular monitoring, reporting and recommendation of risk mitigation measures of the actual credit risk portfolio to the Credit Committee and Risk Committee, as well as accomplishment of the corresponding review and development of credit policies and guidelines to sustain asset quality

For consumer loans, risk assessment is performed on an individual borrower through the use of a credit application scorecard for Housing, Auto and Personal Loans while for Corporate Salary Loans, rule-based credit criteria on company accreditation and borrower evaluation has been established. The credit application scorecard makes use of customer, loan and collateral characteristics which have been assigned weights based on their predictive power in determining the propensity of an account to default or maintain a satisfactory credit performance. Credit decisions are based on recommended score cut-offs.

Asset quality of RSB is monitored through a regular portfolio performance review including customer segmentation and loan concentration risk assessment to identify sources of risk and to determine risk mitigation on segments that drive delinquency or manifests triggers for default. Likewise, close monitoring and review of industry performance, economic changes and market conditions that may affect the consumer loans business is also taken into consideration to establish a holistic risk assessment process.

4.4.1 Exposure to Credit Risk

The carrying amount of financial resources recognized in the financial statements, net of any allowance for losses, which represents the maximum exposure to credit risk, without taking into account the value of any collateral obtained, as of December 31 follows:

	2017		2016	
	Loans and Receivables	Trading and Investment Securities	Loans and Receivables	Trading and Investment Securities
Individually Assessed for Impairment				
It is by:	P	P	P	P
CCC+ and below	-	-	-	-
Especially mentioned	1,308	-	4,955	-
Sub-standard	4,181	-	1,318	-
Doubtful	250	-	59	-
Loss	1,222	-	200	-
Gross amount	6,961	-	6,335	-
Uncashed interest and discount	(46)	-	-	-
Allowance for impairment	(2,249)	-	(1,323)	-
Carrying amount	4,666	-	4,962	-
Collectively Assessed for Impairment				
Unrated	103,379	-	88,396	-
AAA to AA-	-	-	-	-
A+ to A-	-	-	-	-
BBB+ to BBB-	21,128	-	22,612	-
BBB+ to BB	40,848	-	40,278	-
BB+ to BB	76,321	-	62,455	-
B to B-	105,963	-	80,706	-
CCC+ and below	581	-	5,158	-
Especially mentioned	105	-	154	-
Sub-standard	678	-	794	-
Doubtful	726	-	668	-
Loss	125	-	122	-
Gross amount	249,794	-	201,397	-
Uncashed interest and discount	(771)	-	(243)	-
Allowance for impairment	(4,451)	-	(4,932)	-
Carrying amount	244,572	-	196,222	-
Unquoted debt securities classified as loans	1,930	-	1,356	-
Other receivables	4,359	-	4,893	-
Allowance for impairment	(1,223)	-	(1,002)	-
Carrying amount	5,066	-	5,247	-
Neither Past Due Nor Impaired	-	68,879	-	68,378
Total Carrying Amount	P 354,244	P 68,879	P 306,167	P 68,378

	Parent Company			
	2017		2016	
	Loans and Receivables	Trading and Investment Securities	Loans and Receivables	Trading and Investment Securities
Individually Assessed for Impairment				
H to B-	P -	P -	P -	P -
CCC+ and below	-	-	-	-
Especially mentioned	-	-	-	-
Sub-standard	995	-	715	-
Doubtful	22	-	59	-
Loss	139	-	310	-
Gross amount	1,176	-	984	-
Allowance for impairment	(276)	-	(384)	-
Carrying amount	900	-	600	-
Collectively Assessed for Impairment				
Unrated	18,314	-	15,027	-
AAA to AA-	-	-	-	-
A+ to A-	-	-	-	-
BBB+ to BBB-	21,128	-	22,632	-
BB+ to BB-	40,848	-	40,270	-
BB- to B+	76,321	-	52,454	-
B to B-	105,480	-	80,709	-
CCC+ and below	581	-	5,158	-
Especially mentioned	103	-	151	-
Sub-standard	678	-	794	-
Doubtful	656	-	658	-
Loss	125	-	121	-
Gross amount	264,236	-	228,000	-
Unearned interest and discount	(332)	-	(226)	-
Allowance for impairment	(1,632)	-	(3,429)	-
Carrying amount	262,272	-	224,348	-
Unquoted debt securities				
classified as loans	1,177	-	1,196	-
Other receivables	4,476	-	3,740	-
Allowance for impairment	(1,034)	-	(982)	-
Carrying amount	4,619	-	3,954	-
Neither Past Due Nor Impaired	-	54,004	-	61,228
Total Carrying Amount	P. 266,791	P. 54,004	P. 228,302	P. 61,228

The credit risk for cash and cash equivalents such as Due from BSP, Due from Other Banks and Loans Arising from Reverse Repurchase Agreement are considered negligible, since the counterparties are reputable banks with high quality external credit ratings.

4.4.2 Collateral Held as Security and Other Credit Enhancements

The Group holds collateral against loans and advances to customers in the form of hold-out deposits, real estate mortgage, standby letters of credit or bank guaranty, government guaranty, chattel mortgage, assignment of receivables, pledge of equity securities, personal and corporate guaranty and other forms of security. Estimates of fair value are based on the value of collateral assessed at the time of borrowing and are generally updated annually.

Generally, collateral is not held over loans and advances to other banks, except when securities are held as part of reverse repurchase and securities borrowing arrangements. Collateral is not usually held against trading and investment securities, and no such collateral was held as of December 31, 2017 and 2016.

An estimate of the fair value of collateral and other security enhancements held against the loan portfolio as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 is shown below

		<u>Group</u>	
		<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Against individually impaired			
Real property	P	1,164	P 129
Chattels		207	201
Against classified accounts but not impaired			
Real property		54,256	75,014
Chattels		10,959	11,385
Equity securities		5,356	55
Others		630	1,027
Against neither past due nor impaired			
Real property		95,088	82,509
Chattels		55,026	48,029
Hold-out deposits		15,799	16,379
Others		28,017	21,708
	P	<u>266,502</u>	P <u>256,526</u>
		<u>Parent Company</u>	
		<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Against individually impaired			
Real property	P	1,164	P 129
Chattels		-	13
Against classified accounts but not impaired			
Real property		42,594	54,987
Equity securities		5,356	55
Chattels		1,434	2,993
Others		270	587
Against neither past due nor impaired			
Real property		16,787	12,503
Hold-out deposits		14,380	15,925
Others		25,105	19,638
	P	<u>107,010</u>	P <u>106,832</u>

4.4.3 Concentrations of Credit Risk

Credit risk concentration in the context of banking generally denotes the risk arising from an uneven distribution of counterparties in credit or in any other business relationships, or from a concentration in business sectors or geographic regions which is capable of generating losses large enough to jeopardize an institution's solvency.

The Group monitors concentrations of credit risk by sector. An analysis of concentrations of credit risk of the loan portfolio at the end of the reporting period is shown in Note 11.1.

In the course of the Group's implementation of ICAAP (see Note 5.2), it adopts a quantification of credit risk concentration following frameworks prescribed by some of the more advanced European central banks as well as established concentration metrics. Using sector distribution as a tool, the Group performs a straightforward application of the Herfindahl-Hirschman Index (HHI) to determine the existence of credit risk concentration. The Group supplements this methodology with the use of the Comprehensive Concentration Index (CCI) to monitor and analyze name concentration.

The Group, however, recognizes the inherent limitations of the use of HHI and CCI to assess credit concentration risk. To augment this measure and to appropriately manage said risk, the Group performs an in-depth analysis of its large borrowing groups. To ensure the independence of this process, the review and analysis are done in the context of ROC meetings.

4.4.4 Credit Risk Stress Test

To enhance the assessment of credit risk, the Group adopted a credit risk stress testing framework using break-even sales and cash flow debt service to determine a borrower's vulnerability and ultimately impact to the Group's capital adequacy. The Parent Company adopts a portfolio credit risk testing framework that takes into consideration the causal relationships among industry sectors.

4.5 Operational Risk

Operational risks are risks arising from the potential inadequate information systems and systems, operations or transactional problems (relating to service or product delivery), breaches in internal controls, fraud, or unforeseen catastrophes that may result in unexpected loss. Operational risks include the risk of loss arising from various types of human or technical error, settlement or payments failures, business interruption, administrative and legal risks, and the risk arising from systems not performing adequately.

The Operational Risk Management Group (ORMG) assists management in meeting its responsibility to understand and manage operational risk exposures and to ensure consistent application of operational risk management tools across the Group.

The ORMG applies a number of techniques to efficiently manage operational risks. Among these are as follows:

- Each major business line has an embedded operational risk management officer who acts as a point person for the implementation of various operational risk tools. The operational risk officers attend annual risk briefings conducted by the ORMG to keep them up-to-date with different operational risk issues, challenges and initiatives.
- With ORMG's bottom up self-assessment process, which is conducted at least annually, areas with high risk potential are highlighted and reported, and control measures are identified. The result of said self-assessment exercise also serves as one of the inputs in identifying specific key risk indicators (KRIs);
- KRIs are used to monitor the operational risk profile of the Group and of each business unit, and alert management of impending problems in a timely fashion;
- Internal loss information is collected, reported, and utilized to model operational risk; and,
- The ORMG reviews product and operating manuals, policies, procedures and circulars, thus allowing the embedding of desired operational risk management practices in all business units.

Operational Risk Management, as it relates to capital adequacy, is currently under Basic Indicator Approach (see Note 5.2).

The Group has also developed a Business Continuity Plan (BCP) based on several crisis severity levels which is tested at least annually and updated for any major changes in systems and procedures. Central to the Group's BCP is a disaster recovery plan to address the continued functioning of systems, recovery of critical data, and contingency processing requirements in the event of a disaster.

4.5.1 Reputation Risk

Reputation risk is the risk to earnings or capital arising from negative public opinion. This affects the Group's ability to establish new relationships or services, or to continue serving existing relationships. This risk can expose the Group to litigation, financial loss, or damage to its reputation. Reputation risk arises whenever technology-based banking products, services, delivery channels, or processes may generate adverse public opinion such that it seriously affects the Group's earnings or impairs its capital. This risk is present in activities such as asset management and regulatory compliance.

The Group adopted a reputation risk monitoring and reporting framework to manage public perception. Central to the said framework is the creation of the RCHC Public Relations Committee chaired by the head of the Parent Company's Public and Media Relations Division.

4.5.2 Legal Risk and Regulatory Risk Management

Changes in laws and regulations and fiscal policies could adversely affect the Group's operations and financial reporting. In addition, the Group faces legal risks in enforcing its rights under its loan agreements, such as foreclosing of collateral. Legal risk is higher in new areas of business where the law remains untested by the courts. The Group uses a legal review process as the primary control mechanism for legal risk. Such a legal review aims to verify and validate the existence, genuineness and due execution of legal documents, and verify the capacity and authority of counterparties and customers to enter into transactions. In addition, the Group seeks to minimize its legal risk by using stringent legal documentation, imposing certain requirements designed to ensure that transactions are properly authorized, and consulting internal and external legal advisors.

Regulatory risk refers to the potential for the Group to suffer financial loss due to changes in the laws or monetary, tax or other governmental regulations of the country. The Group's Compliance Program, the design and implementation of which is overseen and coordinated by the Compliance Officer, is the primary control process for regulatory risk issues. The Compliance Office is committed to safeguard the integrity of the Group by maintaining a high level of regulatory compliance. It is responsible for communicating and disseminating new rules and regulations to all units, assessing and addressing identified compliance issues, performing periodic compliance testing on branches and head office units, and reporting compliance findings to the Audit Committee and the BOD.

4.6 Anti-Money Laundering Controls

The AMLA or RA No. 9160 was passed in September 2001. It was subsequently amended by RA No. 9194, RA No. 10167, and RA No. 10365 in March 2003, June 2012 and February 2013, respectively. Together with the Terrorism Financing Prevention and Suppression Act (TFTP) which was passed in June 2012 by virtue of RA No. 10168, these laws provide the regulatory framework for the Philippine Anti-Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing Prevention regulations.

Under the AMLA, as amended, the Group is required to submit Covered Transaction Reports (CTRs). CTRs involve single transactions in cash or other equivalent monetary instruments in excess of P0.5 within one banking day. The Group is also required to submit STRs to the AMLC in the event that there are reasonable grounds to believe that any amounts processed are the proceeds of money laundering or terrorist financing activities.

The AMLA requires the Group to safe keep, as long as the account exists, all the Know Your Customer (KYC) documents involving its clients, including official documents that establish and record their true and full identity. In addition, transactional documents are required to be maintained and stored for five years from the date of the transaction. In cases involving closed accounts, the KYC documents must be retained for five years after their closure. Meanwhile, all records of accounts with court cases must be preserved until resolved with finality.

On January 27, 2011, BSP Circular No. 706 (the Circular) was implemented superseding prior rules and regulations on AMLA. The Circular requires the Group to adopt a comprehensive and risk-based Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing Prevention Program (MLPP) designed according to the covered institution's corporate structure and risk profile. In compliance with the risk-based approach mandated by the Circular, the Group profiles its clients based on their level of risk, specifically, Low, Normal, or High. These risk levels have their corresponding level of due diligence, specifically, Reduced, Average or Enhanced. BSP Circular No. 706 was later amended by BSP Circular No. 930.

The Group's MLPT is revised annually to ensure that its KYC policies and guidelines are updated. Under the guidelines, each business unit is required to validate the true identity of a customer based on official or other reliable identifying documents or records prior to account opening. Decisions to enter into a business relationship with a high risk customer requires senior management approval, and in some cases such as a politically exposed person or a private individual holding a prominent position, a Group Head's approval is necessary.

The Group's Chief Compliance Officer, through the Anti-Money Laundering Division, monitors AML/CFT compliance by conducting regular compliance testing of the head office and business units. Results of its AML/CFT activities and compliance monitoring are regularly reported to the AMLCom, Senior Management Committee and the BOD to ensure that all AML/CFT matters are appropriately escalated.

In 2016, the Group instituted reforms aimed to reinforce its AML/CFT controls. The Group significantly lowered the thresholds for remittances, required more posing reviews during the day, and strengthened the process for escalation, fraud and unusual transactions. In addition, the Group has embarked on a re-engineering of its settlements and business center operations, and the consolidation and strengthening of its fraud management framework.

An essential aspect in the prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing is the training of Group's personnel. In the latter part of 2016 to the first quarter of 2017, the Group conducted a one-time bank-wide AML Certification training for all its employees with the aid of an external AML expert. Annual AML trainings, classroom and e-learning, are key features of the Group's regular training program.

In addition to the Group's existing transaction monitoring system, the Group has also subscribed to an international watchlist database in 2017 to further strengthen its screening capabilities for client on-boarding and cross-border transactions.

The Group continuously improved controls over Money Laundering risks and had implemented the necessary enhancements of the on-boarding procedures, risk profiling model, transaction processing and monitoring. Corresponding trainings were provided to equip personnel with the necessary skills to perform the enhanced procedures. On July 31, 2017, the AML Board Committee was created to meet on a monthly basis and provide oversight of AML related activities of the Bank.

5. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

5.1 Regulatory Capital

The Group's lead regulator, the BSP, sets and monitors the capital requirements of the Group.

In implementing the current capital requirements, the BSP requires the Group to maintain a prescribed ratio of qualifying regulatory capital to total risk-weighted assets including market risk and operational risk computed based on BSP-prescribed formula provided under its circulars.

On January 15, 2013, the BSP issued Circular No. 781, *Basel III Implementing Guidelines on Minimum Capital Requirements*, which provides the implementing guidelines on the revised risk-based capital adequacy framework particularly on the minimum capital and disclosure requirements for universal banks and commercial banks, as well as their subsidiary banks and quasi-banks, in accordance with the Basel III standards. Circular No. 781 is effective on January 1, 2014.

The BSP has adopted the Basel III risk-based capital adequacy framework effective January 1, 2014, which requires the Group to maintain at all times the following:

- (a) Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) of at least 6.0% of risk weighted assets;
- (b) Tier 1 Capital of at least 7.5% of risk-weighted assets;
- (c) Qualifying Capital (Tier 1 plus Tier 2 Capital) of at least 10.0% of risk-weighted assets; and,
- (d) Capital Conservation Buffer of 2.5% of risk weighted assets, comprised of CET1 Capital

Under the relevant provisions of the current BSP regulations, the required minimum capitalization for the Parent Company, RSB, Rizal Microbank, RCBC Capital and RCBC LFC is P20,000, P2,000, P400, P300 and P300, respectively.

In computing for the capital adequacy ratio (CAR), the regulatory qualifying capital is analyzed into two tiers which are: (i) Tier 1 Capital comprised of CET1 and Additional Tier 1 (AT1) capital, and, (ii) Tier 2 Capital, defined as follows and are subject to deductions as defined in relevant regulations:

(a) Common Equity Tier 1 Capital includes the following:

- (i) paid-up common stock;
- (ii) common stock dividends distributable;
- (iii) additional paid-in capital;
- (iv) deposit for common stock subscription;
- (v) retained earnings;
- (vi) undivided profits;
- (vii) other comprehensive income from net unrealized gains or losses on financial assets at FVOCI and cumulative foreign currency translation; and,
- (viii) minority interest in subsidiary banks which are less than wholly-owned, subject to regulatory conditions.

(b) AT1 Capital includes:

- (i) instruments that do not qualify as CET1, but meet the criteria set out in Annex B of BSP Circular 781;
- (ii) financial liabilities meeting loss absorbency requirements set out in Annex E of BSP Circular 781;
- (iii) financial liabilities bearing loss absorbency features at point of non-viability as set out in Annex F of BSP Circular 781;
- (iv) additional paid-in capital resulting from issuance of AT1 capital;
- (v) deposit for subscription to AT1 instruments; and,
- (vi) minority interest in subsidiary banks which are less than wholly-owned, subject to regulatory conditions.

(c) Tier 2 Capital includes:

- (i) instruments issued that are not qualified as Tier 1 capital but meet the criteria set forth in Annex C of BSP Circular 781;
- (ii) financial liabilities bearing loss absorbency features at point of non-viability as set out in Annex F of BSP Circular 781;
- (iii) deposit for subscription of Tier 2 capital;
- (iv) appraisal increment reserve on bank premises, as authorized by the Monetary Board (MB);
- (v) general loan loss provisions; and,
- (vi) minority interest in subsidiary banks that are less than wholly-owned, subject to regulatory conditions.

In the calculation of Risk-based Capital Adequacy Ratio, the total Qualifying Capital is expressed as a percentage of Total Risk Weighted Assets based on bank exposures, where Risk Weighted Assets is composed of Credit Risk, Market Risk and Operational Risk, net of specific provisions and exposures covered by credit risk mitigation (CRM).

Banking book exposures shall be risk-weighted based on third party credit assessment of the individual exposure given by eligible external credit institutions and the corresponding external credit assessment are mapped with the corresponding risk weights following the Standardized Credit Risk Weights table as provided under BSP Circular 538.

The Group's and Parent Company's regulatory capital position based on the Basel III risk-based capital adequacy framework as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 follows:

	<u>Group</u>	<u>Parent Company</u>
2017:		
Tier 1 Capital		
CET 1	P 54,326	P 40,873
AT1	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
	54,329	40,876
Tier 2 Capital	<u>13,115</u>	<u>12,456</u>
Total Qualifying Capital	<u>P 67,444</u>	<u>P 53,332</u>
Total Risk - Weighted Assets	<u>P 436,262</u>	<u>P 347,932</u>
Capital ratios:		
Total qualifying capital expressed as a percentage of total risk weighted assets	15.46%	15.33%
Tier 1 Capital Ratio	12.45%	11.75%
Total CET 1 Ratio	12.45%	11.75%

	Group	Parent Company
2016		
Tier 1 Capital		
CET 1	P 49,842	P 37,659
AT1	3	3
	49,845	37,662
Tier 2 Capital	13,622	12,048
Total Qualifying Capital	P 62,467	P 49,710
Total Risk - Weighted Assets	P 386,443	P 306,264
Capital ratios:		
Total qualifying capital expressed as a percentage of total risk weighted assets	16.16%	16.23%
Tier 1 Capital Ratio	12.89%	12.30%
Total CET 1 Ratio	12.99%	12.30%

The foregoing capital ratios comply with the related BSP prescribed ratios.

5.2 Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment and Pillar 2 Risk-Weighted Assets

In January 2009, the BSP issued Circular No. 639 on the ICAAP and Supervisory Review Process covering universal and commercial banks on a group-wide basis. As a supplement to BSP Circular No. 538 on the Risk-Based Capital Adequacy Framework, ICAAP sets out the following principles:

- Banks must have a process for assessing capital adequacy relative to their risk profile, operating environment, and strategic/business plans;
- The Bank's ICAAP is the responsibility of the Board, must be properly documented and approved and with policies and methodologies integrated into banking operations;
- The Bank's ICAAP should address other material risks – Pillar 2 risks – in addition to those covered by Pillar 1, with risk measurement methodologies linked to the assessment of corresponding capital requirement both on a business-as-usual (BAU) and stressed scenario;
- The minimum CAR prescribed by the BSP after accounting for Pillar 1 and other risks is retained at 10%; and,
- The Bank's ICAAP document must be submitted to the BSP every January 31 of each year, beginning 2011.

The Group submitted its first ICAAP trial document in January 2009. Subsequent revisions to the trial document were made, and likewise submitted in February 2010 and May 2010 following regulatory review and the Group's own process enhancements. Complementing the ICAAP document submissions were dialogues between the BSP and the Group's representatives, the second of which transpired last November 2010 between a BSP panel chaired by the Deputy Governor for Supervision and Examination, and the members of the Parent Company's EXCOM. The Group submitted its final ICAAP document within the deadline set by the BSP. Henceforth up to 2014, the annual submission of an ICAAP document is due every January 31 and every March 31 starting in 2015, as prescribed by the BSP.

The Group identified the following Pillar 2 risks as material to its operations, and consequently set out methodologies to quantify the level of capital that it must hold.

- (a) *Credit Risk Concentration* – The Group has so far limited its analysis to credit risk concentration arising from the uneven sector distribution of the Group's credit exposures. Aside from using a simplified application of the ILLI, concentration is estimated using the Comprehensive Concentration Index (CCI). The capital charge is estimated by calculating the change in the Economic Capital (EC) requirement of the credit portfolio as an effect of credit deterioration in the largest industry exposure.
- (b) *Interest Rate Risk in the Banking Book (IRRBB)* – It is the current and prospective negative impact on earnings and capital arising from interest rate shifts. The Group estimates interest rate risk in the banking book as its NII-at-risk, and accordingly deducts the same from regulatory qualifying capital. Stressed IRRBB is calculated by applying the highest observed market volatilities over a determined timeframe.
- (c) *Liquidity Risk* – The Group estimates its liquidity risk under BAU scenario using standard gap analysis. Stressed liquidity risk on the other hand assumes a repeat of a historical liquidity stress, and estimates the impact if the Group were to partially defend its deposits and partially pay-off by drawing from its reserve of liquid assets.
- (d) *Information Technology Risk* – It is the current and prospective negative impact to earnings arising from failure of IT systems and realization of cyber security threats. The Group treats this risk as forming part of Operational Risk.
- (e) *Compliance Risk* – It is the current and prospective negative impact on earnings and capital arising from violation of laws, regulations, ethical standards, and the like. For Business-as-usual scenario, the Group estimates compliance risk charge from historical fines and penalties as the worst-case loss determined via a frequency-severity analysis of each penalty type. The resulting compliance risk charge calculation is likewise directly deducted from earnings.
- (f) *Strategic Business Risk* – It is the current and prospective negative impact on earnings and capital arising from adverse business decisions, improper implementation, and failure to respond to industry changes. The Group treats strategic business risk as a catch-all risk, and expresses its estimate as a cap on additional risk-weighted assets given other risks and the desired level of capital adequacy. The Group maintains that the assessment of strategic risk is embedded in the budget of the Group. Its capital impact therefore in a business as usual case is already expressed in the amount of risk projected to be taken on in the forecast years. However, the Group does recognize the need to set up processes that would enable to put a number to the risk incurred by going into specific strategies.
- (g) *Reputation Risk* – From the adoption of a theoretical measure, the Group amended its approach to reputation risk in 2011 by adopting instead a reputation risk monitoring and reporting process, run primarily by its Public Relations Committee. The measurement of reputation risk under stress is folded into the Group's assessment of stressed liquidity risk.

6. CATEGORIES AND OFFSETTING OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

6.1 Carrying Amounts and Fair Values by Category

The following table summarizes the carrying amounts and corresponding fair values of those financial assets and financial liabilities presented in the statements of financial position

	Group			
	2017		2016	
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
Financial Assets				
At amortized cost:				
Cash and cash equivalents	P 103,181	P 103,181	P 115,393	P 115,393
Investment securities	59,978	56,396	51,864	49,698
Loans and receivables - net	354,205	354,205	305,652	305,652
Other resources	1,138	1,138	873	873
	518,502	514,920	473,782	471,616
At FVPL	7,591	7,591	18,079	18,079
At FVOCI	5,363	5,363	5,679	5,679
	<u>P 531,456</u>	<u>P 527,874</u>	<u>P 497,540</u>	<u>P 495,374</u>
Financial Liabilities				
At amortized cost:				
Deposit liabilities	P 388,412	P 388,412	P 353,077	P 353,077
Bills payable	43,967	43,967	37,643	37,643
Bonds payable	28,060	29,465	41,595	44,175
Subordinated debt	9,968	15,178	9,952	20,570
Accrued interest and other expenses	3,929	3,929	4,584	4,584
Other liabilities	11,233	11,233	8,883	8,883
	485,569	492,184	455,734	468,932
Derivative financial liabilities	483	483	385	385
	<u>P 486,052</u>	<u>P 492,667</u>	<u>P 456,119</u>	<u>P 469,317</u>
Parent Company				
	2017		2016	
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
Financial Assets				
At amortized cost:				
Cash and cash equivalents	P 83,442	P 83,442	P 91,426	P 91,426
Investment securities	48,141	47,784	44,842	43,931
Loans and receivables - net	265,753	265,753	227,917	227,917
Other resources	179	179	466	466
	397,515	397,158	364,651	363,740
At FVPL	6,553	6,553	17,075	17,075
At FVOCI	3,432	3,432	3,735	3,735
	<u>P 407,507</u>	<u>P 407,143</u>	<u>P 385,461</u>	<u>P 384,550</u>

	Parent Company			
	2017		2016	
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
Financial Liabilities				
At amortized cost:				
Deposit liabilities	P 288,667	P 288,667	P 260,165	P 260,165
Bills payable	36,600	36,600	31,712	31,712
Bonds payable	28,060	29,465	41,525	44,135
Subordinated debt	9,968	15,178	9,952	20,570
Accrued interest and other expenses	3,009	3,009	3,515	3,515
Other liabilities	6,256	6,256	6,024	6,024
	372,560	379,175	353,033	366,231
Derivative financial liabilities	483	483	382	382
	<u>P 373,043</u>	<u>P 379,658</u>	<u>P 353,415</u>	<u>P 366,616</u>

Except for investment securities at amortized cost, bonds payable and subordinated debt with fair value disclosed different from their carrying amounts, management considers that the carrying amounts of other financial assets and financial liabilities presented above which are measured at amortized cost, approximate the fair values either because those instruments are short-term in nature or the effect of discounting for those with maturities of more than one year is not material. The fair value information disclosed for the Group's and Parent Company's investment securities at amortized cost and other financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis are determined based on the procedures and methodologies discussed in Note 7.2

6.2 Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities

The following financial assets presented in the statements of financial position at gross amounts are covered by enforceable master netting arrangements and similar arrangements:

Notes	Group			
	Gross amounts recognized in the statements of financial position		Related amounts not set off in the statements of financial position	
			Financial instruments	Cash received
				Net amount
December 31, 2017				
Loans and receivables – Receivable from customers	11	P 362,845	(P 15,799)	P -
Trading and investment securities – Investment securities at amortized cost	16	72,932	(5,686)	67,246
Other resources – Margin deposits	15	23	-	(23)
December 31, 2016				
Loans and receivables – Receivable from customers	11	P 365,659	(P 16,379)	P -
Trading and investment securities – Investment securities at amortized cost	16	75,622	(4,856)	70,766
Other resources – Margin deposits	15	23	-	(23)

		Parent Company						
		Gross amounts recognized in the statements of financial position		Related amounts not set off in the statements of financial position			Net amount	
Notes				Financial instruments	Cash received			
December 31, 2017								
Loans and receivables – Receivable from customers	11	P	264,631	(P 14,380)	P -	P	250,251	
Trading and investment securities – Investment securities at amortized cost	10		18,153	(5,636)	-		12,517	
Other resources – Margin deposits	15		23	-	(23)	-		
December 31, 2016								
Loans and receivables – Receivable from customers	11	P	221,724	(P 15,925)	P -	P	205,799	
Trading and investment securities – Investment securities at amortized cost	10		16,133	(4,859)	-		11,274	
Other resources – Margin deposits	15		20	-	(20)	-		

The following financial liabilities presented in the statements of financial position at gross amounts are covered by enforceable master netting arrangements and similar agreements:

		Group						
		Gross amounts recognized in the statements of financial position		Related amounts not set off in the statements of financial position				
Notes				Financial instruments	Cash received		Net amount	
December 31, 2017								
Deposit liabilities	17	P	368,442	(P 15,793)	P -		P 352,649	
Bills payable	18		41,967	(5,686)	-		36,281	
Other liabilities – Derivative financial liabilities	22		483	-	(483)		-	
December 31, 2016								
Deposit liabilities	17	P	351,017	(P 16,179)	P -		P 334,838	
Bills payable	18		41,967	(6,659)	-		35,308	
Other liabilities – Derivative financial liabilities	22		385	-	(385)		-	
Parent Company								
		Gross amounts recognized in the statements of financial position		Related amounts not set off in the statements of financial position				
Notes				Financial instruments	Cash received		Net amount	
December 31, 2017								
Deposit liabilities	17	P	288,667	(P 14,380)	P -		P 274,287	
Bills payable	18		41,967	(5,686)	-		36,281	
Other liabilities – Derivative financial liabilities	22		483	-	(483)		-	
December 31, 2016								
Deposit liabilities	17	P	246,163	(P 15,925)	P -		P 230,238	
Bills payable	18		41,967	(6,659)	-		35,308	
Other liabilities – Derivative financial liabilities	22		385	-	(385)		-	

For financial assets and financial liabilities subject to enforceable master netting agreements or similar arrangements above, each agreement between the Group and its counterparties allows for net settlement of the relevant financial assets and liabilities when both elect to settle on a net basis. In the absence of such an election, financial assets and liabilities will be settled on a gross basis. However, each party to the master netting agreement or similar agreement will have the option to settle all such amounts on a net basis in the event of default of the other party.

For purposes of presenting the above information, the related amounts not set off in the statements of financial position pertain to: (a) hold-out deposits which serve as the Group's collateral enhancement for certain loans and receivables; (b) collateralized bills payable under sale and repurchase agreement, and, (c) margin deposits which serve as security for outstanding financial market transactions and other liabilities. The financial instruments that can be set off are only disclosed to the extent of the amounts of the Group's obligations to counterparties.

7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT AND DISCLOSURES

7.1 Fair Value Hierarchy

In accordance with PFRS 13, *Fair Value Measurements*, the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities and non-financial assets which are measured at fair value on a recurring or non-recurring basis and those assets and liabilities not measured at fair value but for which fair value is disclosed in accordance with other relevant PFRS, are categorized into three levels based on the significance of inputs used to measure the fair value.

The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- **Level 1:** quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that an entity can access at the measurement date;
- **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), and,
- **Level 3:** inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs)

The level within which the asset or liability is classified is determined based on the lowest level of significant input to the fair value measurement.

For purposes of determining the market value at Level 1, a market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.

For investments which do not have quoted market price, the fair value is determined by using generally acceptable pricing models and valuation techniques or by reference to the current market value of another instrument which is substantially the same after taking into account the related credit risk of counterparties, or is calculated based on the expected cash flows of the underlying net asset base of the instrument

When the Group uses valuation technique, it maximizes the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity specific estimates. However, areas such as credit risk (both own and counterparty), volatilities and correlations require management to make estimates. If all significant inputs required to determine the fair value of an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in Level 2. Otherwise, it is included in Level 3. Changes in assumptions could also affect the reported fair value of the financial instruments. The Group uses judgment to select a variety of valuation techniques and to make assumptions that are mainly based on market conditions existing at the end of each reporting period.

7.2 Financial Instruments Measured at Fair Value

The table below shows the fair value hierarchy of the Group's classes of financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value in the statements of financial position on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2017 and 2016.

	Group			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
2017:				
Financial assets at FVPL:				
Government securities	P 4,346	P -	P -	P 4,346
Corporate debt securities	1,396	-	-	1,396
Equity securities	141	-	543	684
Derivative assets	22	1,280	-	1,302
	5,954	1,280	543	7,777
Financial assets at FVOCI -				
Equity securities	3,456	127	1,700	5,283
Total Resources at Fair Value	P 9,410	P 1,407	P 2,243	P 12,959
Derivative liabilities	P -	P 483	P -	P 483
2016:				
Financial assets at FVPL:				
Government securities	P 14,822	P -	P -	P 14,822
Corporate debt securities	314	-	-	314
Equity securities	979	-	386	1,365
Derivative assets	11	1,347	-	1,358
	16,146	1,347	386	18,079
Financial assets at FVOCI -				
Equity securities	3,743	102	1,734	5,579
Total Resources at Fair Value	P 20,891	P 1,449	P 2,120	P 24,460
Derivative liabilities	P -	P 365	P -	P 365

	Patent Company			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
2017:				
Financial assets at FVPL:				
Government securities	P 4,249	P -	P -	P 4,249
Corporate debt securities	455	-	-	455
Equity securities	147	-	543	690
Derivative assets	22	1,069	-	1,091
	4,823	1,069	543	6,435
Financial assets at FVOCI - Equity securities	1,201	197	1,461	2,859
Total Resources at Fair Value	P 6,024	P 1,266	P 2,024	P 9,314
Derivative liabilities	P -	P 483	P -	P 483
2016:				
Financial assets at FVPL:				
Government securities	P 14,791	P -	P -	P 14,791
Corporate debt securities	415	-	-	415
Equity securities	105	-	586	691
Derivative assets	31	1,147	-	1,178
	15,342	1,147	586	17,075
Financial assets at FVOCI - Equity securities	2,035	185	1,515	3,735
Total Resources at Fair Value	P 17,377	P 1,332	P 2,101	P 20,810
Derivative liabilities	P -	P 385	P -	P 385

Described below are the information about how the fair values of the Group's classes of financial assets and financial liabilities were determined.

(a) Government and Corporate Debt Securities:

The fair value of the Group's government securities and corporate papers categorized within Level 1 is determined directly based on published closing prices available from the electronic financial data service providers which had been based on prices quoted or actually dealt in an active market at the end of each of the reporting period. On the other hand, government securities with fair value categorized within Level 2 is determined based on the prices of benchmark government securities which are also quoted in an active market or bond exchange (i.e., PDEx).

The fair value of the Group's government securities categorized under Level 2 of the hierarchy is estimated and determined based on pricing model developed by applying benchmark pricing curves which are derived using the yield of benchmark security with similar maturities (i.e., government bonds or notes). In applying this pricing methodology, the yield of the underlying securities is interpolated between the observable yields to consider any gaps in the maturities of the benchmark securities used to develop a benchmark curve.

(b) *Equity Securities*

The fair values of equity securities classified as financial assets at FVPL and FVOCI as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 were valued based on their market prices quoted in the PSE at the end of each reporting period; hence, categorized within Level 1.

Level 2 category includes the Group's investments in proprietary club shares as their prices are not derived from a market considered as active due to lack of trading activities among market participants at the end of each reporting period.

For equity securities which are not traded in an active market and categorized within Level 3, their fair value is determined through the net asset value or a market-based approach valuation technique (price-to-book value method) using current market values of comparable listed entities. The price-to-book value method uses the price-to-book ratio of comparable listed entities as multiple in determining the fair value of the Group's equity securities adjusted by a certain valuation discount. The price-to-book ratio used by the Group in the fair value measurement of its level 3 equity securities classified as financial assets at FVPL as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 ranges from 0.578:1 to 2.290:1 and from 0.746:1 to 2.797:1, respectively.

Increase or decrease in the price-to-book ratio and net asset value would result in higher or lower fair values, all else equal.

A reconciliation of the carrying amounts of level 3 equity securities at the beginning and end of 2017 and 2016 is shown below.

	Group		
	Financial Assets at FVOCI	Financial Assets at FVPL	Total
2017:			
Balance at beginning of year	P 1,744	P 586	P 2,330
Fair value losses	(34)	(43)	(77)
Balance at end of year	P 1,710	P 543	P 2,253
2016:			
Balance at beginning of year	P 2,165	P 367	P 2,532
Additions	1,845	-	1,845
Fair value gains (losses)	(251)	219	(32)
Transfer to level 1	(2,015)	-	(2,015)
Balance at end of year	P 1,744	P 586	P 2,330

	Parent Company					
	Financial Assets at FVOCI		Financial Assets at FVPL		Total	
2017:						
Balance at beginning of year	P	1,515	P	586	P	2,101
Fair value losses	(	34)	(	43)	(	77)
Balance at end of year	P	1,481	P	543	P	2,024
2016:						
Balance at beginning of year	P	2,145	P	367	P	2,512
Fair value gains		1,385		219		1,604
Transfer to level 1	(	2,015)			(	2,015)
Balance at end of year	P	1,515	P	586	P	2,101

The transfer to level 1 in 2016 pertains to a certain equity investment in an entity which shares of stock were publicly listed in the PSE in November 2016. There were no transfers between the levels of the fair value hierarchy for the year ended December 31, 2017.

(c) *Derivative Assets and Liabilities*

The fair value of the Group's derivative assets categorized within Level 1 is determined directly based on published price quotation available for an identical instrument in an active market at the end of each of the reporting period.

On the other hand, the fair values of certain derivative financial assets and liabilities categorized within Level 2 were determined through valuation techniques using net present value computation which makes use of the streams of cash flows related to the derivative financial instruments such as interest rate swaps and currency swaps.

7.3 Financial Instruments Measured at Amortized Cost for Which Fair Value is Disclosed

The table below summarizes the fair value hierarchy of the Group's and Parent Company's financial assets and financial liabilities which are not measured at fair value in the statements of financial position but for which fair value is disclosed.

	Group			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
2017:				
Financial Assets:				
Cash and other cash items	P 14,691	P -	P -	P 14,691
Due from BSP	58,802	-	-	58,802
Due from other banks	12,812	-	-	12,812
Loans arising from reverse repurchase agreement	9,811	-	-	9,811
Impairment allowances at amortized cost	56,796	-	-	56,796
Loans and receivables - net	-	-	154,243	154,243
Other resources	-	-	1,128	1,128
	P 159,532	P -	P 155,371	P 314,903

		Group				
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	
<i>Financial Liabilities:</i>						
Deposit liabilities	P	186,412	P	-	P	186,412
Bills payable	-	-	45,267	-	-	45,267
Bonds payable	-	-	29,465	-	-	29,465
Subordinated debt	-	-	15,174	-	-	15,174
Accrued interest and other expenses	-	-	-	3,929	-	3,929
Other liabilities	-	-	-	15,233	-	15,233
	P	186,412	P	89,860	P	492,184

2016

Financial Assets:						
Cash and other cash items	P	15,176	P	-	P	15,176
Due from BSP	-	66,521	-	-	-	66,521
Due from other banks	-	25,291	-	-	-	25,291
Loans arising from reverse repurchase agreement	-	7,889	-	-	-	7,889
Investment securities at amortized cost	-	42,628	-	-	-	42,628
Loans and receivables - net	-	-	-	940,167	-	940,167
Other resources	-	-	-	872	-	872
	P	164,524	P	-	P	1,105,563

		Group				
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	
Financial Liabilities:						
Deposit liabilities	P	325,072	P	-	P	325,072
Bills payable	-	-	17,643	-	-	17,643
Bonds payable	-	-	44,175	-	-	44,175
Subordinated debt	-	-	20,570	-	-	20,570
Accrued interest and other expenses	-	-	-	4,584	-	4,584
Other liabilities	-	-	-	5,851	-	5,851
	P	325,072	P	107,388	P	432,460

		Parent Company			
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
2017:					
Financial Assets:					
Cash and other cash items	P	16,415	P	-	P 16,415
Due from BSP	-	47,146	-	-	47,146
Due from other banks	-	18,368	-	-	18,368
Loans arising from reverse repurchase agreement	-	7,415	-	-	7,415
Investment securities at amortized cost	-	47,764	-	-	47,764
Loans and receivables - net	-	-	-	265,791	265,791
Other resources	-	-	-	129	129
	P	<u>119,138</u>	P	<u>265,920</u>	P <u>385,058</u>

Financial Liabilities:								
Deposit liabilities	P	268,667	P	-	P	-	P	268,667
Bills payable	-	-	-	16,600	-	-	-	16,600
Bonds payable	-	-	-	29,465	-	-	-	29,465
Subordinated debt	-	-	-	15,174	-	-	-	15,174
Accrued interest and other expenses	-	-	-	-	-	3,889	-	3,889
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	6,256	-	6,256
	P	268,667	P	61,239	P	9,745	P	339,651

		Fair Value Hierarchy				
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	
2016						
Financial Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	P	11,000	P	-	P	11,000
Due from BSP		50,571	-	-	-	50,571
Due from other banks		24,009	-	-	-	24,009
Loans arising from reverse repurchase agreement		4,351	-	-	-	4,351
Investment securities at amortized cost		45,451	-	-	-	45,451
Loans and receivables - net	-	-	-	226,142	-	226,142
Other resources	-	-	-	462	-	462
	P	<u>135,381</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>226,604</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>361,985</u>
Financial Liabilities						
Deposit liabilities	P	260,165	P	-	P	260,165
Bills payable	-	-	11,712	-	-	11,712
Bonds payable	-	-	44,175	-	-	44,175
Subordinated debt	-	-	20,570	-	-	20,570
Accrued interest and other expenses	-	-	-	3,515	-	3,515
Other liabilities	-	-	-	6,099	-	6,099
	P	<u>260,165</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>76,457</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>336,622</u>

The following are the methods used to determine the fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities not presented in the statements of financial position at their fair values:

(a) *Due from BSP and Other Banks, and Loans and Receivables Arising from Reverse Repurchase Agreement*

Due from BSP pertains to deposits made by the Bank to the BSP for clearing and reserve requirements, overnight and term deposit facilities, while loans and receivables arising from reverse repurchase agreement pertain to loans and receivables from BSP arising from overnight lending from excess liquidity. Due from other banks includes items in the course of collection. The fair value of floating rate placements and overnight deposits is their carrying amount. The estimated fair value of fixed interest-bearing deposits is based on the discounted cash flows using prevailing money market interest rates for debt with similar credit risk and remaining maturity, which for short-term deposits approximate the nominal value.

(b) *Investment Securities at Amortized Cost*

The fair value of investment securities at amortized cost is determined by direct reference to published price quoted in an active market for traded securities.

(c) *Deposits Liabilities and Borrowings*

The estimated fair value of deposits is the amount repayable on demand. The estimated fair value of long-term fixed interest-bearing deposits and other borrowings without quoted market price is based on discounted cash flows using interest rates for new debts with similar remaining maturity. The fair value of bonds payable and subordinated debt is computed based on the average of published ask and bid prices.

(d) Other Resources and Other Liabilities

Due to their short duration, the carrying amounts of other resources and liabilities in the statements of financial position are considered to be reasonable approximation of their fair values.

7.4 Fair Value Disclosures for Investment Properties Carried at Cost

The total estimated fair values of the investment properties amounted to P4,940 and P4,700 in the Group's financial statements and P6,161 and P5,799 in the Parent Company's financial statements as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively (see Note 14.3). The fair value hierarchy of these properties as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 is categorized as Level 3.

The fair values of the Group's and Parent Company's investment properties were determined based on the following approaches:

(a) Fair Value Measurement for Land

The Level 3 fair value of land was derived using the observable recent prices of the reference properties and were adjusted for differences in key attributes such as property size, zoning and accessibility. The most significant input into this valuation approach is the price per square meter; hence, the higher the price per square meter, the higher the fair value of the properties.

(b) Fair Value Measurement for Buildings

The Level 3 fair value of the buildings was determined using the cost approach that reflects the cost to a market participant to construct an asset of comparable usage, construction standards, design and layout, adjusted for obsolescence. The more significant inputs used in the valuation include direct and indirect costs of construction such as but not limited to, labor and contractor's profit, materials and equipment, surveying and permit costs, electricity and utility costs, architectural and engineering fees, insurance and legal fees. These inputs were derived from various suppliers and contractor's quotes, price catalogues, and construction price indices. Under this approach, higher estimated costs used in the valuation will result in higher fair value of the properties.

There has been no change in the valuation techniques during the year.

8. SEGMENT INFORMATION

8.1 Business Segments

The Group's operating businesses are recognized and managed separately according to the nature of services provided (primary segments) and the different geographical markets served (secondary segments) with a segment representing a strategic business unit. The Group's business segments follow:

- (a) Retail* – principally handles the business centers offering a wide range of consumer banking products and services. Products offered include individual customer's deposits, credit cards, home and mortgage loans, auto, personal and microfinance loans, overdraft facilities, payment remittances and foreign exchange transactions. It also upsells bank products [unit investment trust funds (UITFs), etc.] and cross-sells bancassurance products. This segment includes portfolios of RSB and Rizal Microbank.

- (b) *Corporate* – principally handles loans and other credit facilities and deposit and current accounts for corporate, small and medium enterprises and institutional customers.
- (i) *Treasury* – principally provides money market, trading and treasury services, as well as the management of the Group's funding operations by use of treasury bills, government securities and placements and acceptances with other banks, through treasury and wholesale banking.
- (d) *Others* – consists of other subsidiaries except for RSB and Rizal Microbank which are presented as part of Retail.

These segments are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segment information. Other operations of the Group comprise the operations and financial control groups. Transactions between segments are conducted at estimated market rates on an arm's length basis.

Segment revenues and expenses that are directly attributable to primary business segment and the relevant portions of the Group's revenues and expenses that can be allocated to that business segment are accordingly reflected as revenues and expenses of that business segment.

For secondary segments, revenues and expenses are attributed in geographic areas based on the location of the resources producing the revenues, and in which location the expenses are incurred.

There were no changes in the Group's operating segments in 2017 and 2016.

8.2 Analysis of Primary Segment Information

Primary segment information (by business segment) on a consolidated basis as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 follow:

	Retail	Corporate	Treasury	Others	Total
2017:					
Revenues					
From external customers					
Interest income	P 19,692	P 14,705	P 3,398	P 501	P 38,296
Interest expense	(4,262)	(2,210)	(2,161)	(256)	(15,889)
Net interest income	15,430	5,495	1,237	245	22,407
Non-interest income	3,944	2,126	1,738	1,125	8,933
	19,374	7,621	2,975	1,370	31,340
Intersegment revenues					
Interest income	-	2,892	-	7	2,899
Non-interest income	-	-	-	499	499
	-	2,892	-	506	3,398
Total revenues	19,374	10,513	2,975	1,876	34,738
Expenses					
Operating expenses excluding depreciation and amortization	11,840	1,998	551	986	15,375
Depreciation and amortization	833	94	13	341	1,281
	12,673	2,092	564	1,327	16,656
Segment operating income	P 6,701	P 8,421	P 2,411	P 549	P 18,082

	<u>Retail</u>	<u>Corporate</u>	<u>Treasury</u>	<u>Others</u>	<u>Total</u>
2017.					
Total resources and liabilities					
Total resources	<u>P 136.612</u>	<u>P 257.406</u>	<u>P 83.728</u>	<u>P 14.741</u>	<u>P 492.694</u>
Total liabilities	<u>P 402.809</u>	<u>P 182.495</u>	<u>P 20.692</u>	<u>P 9.267</u>	<u>P 615.257</u>
2016					
Revenues					
From external customers					
Interest income	P 17,075	P 13,064	P 3,946	P 386	P 34,471
Interest expense	(3,159)	(7,529)	(2,960)	(203)	(13,961)
Net interest income	13,916	5,465	986	183	20,510
Non-interest income	3,634	1,323	1,360	1,172	8,089
	<u>17,500</u>	<u>6,794</u>	<u>2,346</u>	<u>1,354</u>	<u>28,594</u>
Intersegment revenues					
Interest income	-	2,235	-	5	2,240
Non-interest income	-	-	-	460	460
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,235</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>465</u>	<u>2,700</u>
Total revenues	<u>17,500</u>	<u>9,029</u>	<u>2,346</u>	<u>1,819</u>	<u>31,294</u>
Expenses					
Operating expenses excluding depreciation and amortization	10,880	1,750	546	1,186	14,377
Depreciation and amortization	797	83	2	286	1,175
	<u>11,686</u>	<u>1,833</u>	<u>555</u>	<u>1,473</u>	<u>15,552</u>
Segment operating income	<u>P 5,815</u>	<u>P 7,199</u>	<u>P 2,391</u>	<u>P 345</u>	<u>P 15,742</u>
Total resources and liabilities					
Total resources	<u>P 132.617</u>	<u>P 237.502</u>	<u>P 98.302</u>	<u>P 12.692</u>	<u>P 461,529</u>
Total liabilities	<u>P 363.468</u>	<u>P 155.872</u>	<u>P 38.207</u>	<u>P 7,261</u>	<u>P 554,901</u>

	Bank	Corporate	Insurance	Others	Total
2015:					
Revenues					
From external customers					
Interest income	P 13,372	P 11,280	P 2,715	P 285	P 27,652
Interest expense	(2,716)	(4,078)	(2,740)	(130)	(9,664)
Net interest income (expense)	10,656	7,202	(35)	155	17,988
Non-interest income	3,940	1,559	1,606	1,253	8,358
	14,596	8,761	1,581	1,408	26,346
Intersegment revenues					
Interest income	-	2,169	-	6	2,175
Non-interest income	-	3	-	410	413
	-	2,172	-	416	2,588
Total revenues	14,596	10,933	1,581	1,824	28,934
Expenses					
Operating expenses, excluding depreciation and amortization	11,866	2,071	433	1,520	15,890
Depreciation and amortization	671	95	2	131	909
	11,737	2,166	432	1,651	15,986
Segment operating income	P 2,859	P 8,767	P 1,149	P 1,173	P 12,932
Total resources and liabilities					
Total resources	P 366,155	P 283,356	P 93,041	P 10,582	P 754,034
Total liabilities	P 366,155	P 283,356	P 93,041	P 10,582	P 754,034

8.3 Reconciliation

Presented below is a reconciliation of the Group's segment information to the key financial information presented in its consolidated financial statements.

	2017	2016	2015
Revenue			
Total segment revenues	P 34,732	P 31,691	P 28,570
Unallocated income	(6,023)	(5,507)	(3,932)
Elimination of intersegment revenues	(3,588)	(2,886)	(2,390)
Revenues as reported in profit or loss	P 25,121	P 23,398	P 22,248
Profit or loss			
Total segment operating income	P 18,096	P 15,742	P 12,932
Unallocated profit	(10,887)	(5,031)	(5,629)
Elimination of intersegment profit	(2,822)	(2,392)	(2,173)
Group net profit as reported in profit or loss	P 4,387	P 8,319	P 5,130
Resources			
Total segment resources	P 492,694	P 467,320	P 754,034
Unallocated assets	63,355	62,201	(33,661)
Elimination of intersegment assets	(2,061)	(2,418)	(2,227)
Total resources	P 553,988	P 527,103	P 718,146

	2017	2016	2015
Liabilities			
Total segment liabilities	P 615,257	P 554,901	P 754,004
Unallocated liabilities	(176,335)	(92,955)	(198,805)
Elimination of intersegment liabilities	(2,961)	(4,886)	(2,297)
Total liabilities	P 436,961	P 457,060	P 552,902

8.4 Analysis of Secondary Segment Information

Secondary information (by geographical locations) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 follow:

	Philippines	United States	Asia and Europe	Total
2017:				
Statement of profit or loss				
Total income	P 52,212	P -	P -	P 52,212
Total expenses	(27,812)	-	-	(27,812)
Net profit (loss)	P 24,400	P -	(P -)	P 24,400
2016:				
Statement of financial position				
Total resources	P 553,844	P -	P 143	P 553,988
Total liabilities	P 486,385	P -	P 71	P 486,456
Other segment information - Depreciation and amortization	P 1,914	P -	P -	P 1,914
2015:				
Statement of profit or loss				
Total income	P 10,225	P -	P 28	P 10,253
Total expenses	(26,340)	-	(75)	(26,415)
Net profit (loss)	P (16,115)	(P -)	(P 47)	(P 16,162)
2016:				
Statement of financial position				
Total resources	P 521,408	P -	P 174	P 521,582
Total liabilities	P 459,667	P -	P 21	P 459,688
Other segment information - Depreciation and amortization	P 1,706	P -	P -	P 1,706

	Philippines	United States	Asia and Europe	Total
2015				
Statement of profit or loss				
Total income	P 28,229	P -	P 183	P 28,412
Total expenses	21,176	-	174	21,350
Net profit (loss)	P 7,053	P -	P 9	P 7,062
Statement of financial position				
Total resources	P 515,002	P -	P 430	P 515,432
Total liabilities	P 457,508	P -	P 135	P 457,643
Other segment information – Depreciation and amortization	P 1,601	P -	P -	P 1,601

9. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The components of Cash and Cash Equivalents follow:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Cash and other cash items	P 14,693	P 15,176	P 10,415	P 11,000
Due from BSP	58,801	66,520	47,186	50,871
Due from other banks	19,818	25,293	18,368	24,109
Loans arising from reverse repurchase agreement	9,831	7,869	7,435	4,931
Interbank loans receivables (see Note 11)	38	515	38	515
	P 103,181	P 115,393	P 83,442	P 91,426

Cash consists primarily of funds in the form of Philippine currency notes and coins and includes foreign currencies acceptable to form part of the international reserves in the Group's vault and those in the possession of tellers, including ATMs. Other cash items include cash items other than currency and coins on hand, such as checks drawn on other banks or other branches after the clearing cut-off time until the close of the regular banking hours.

Due from BSP represents the aggregate balance of deposit accounts maintained with the BSP primarily to meet reserve requirements (see Notes 17 and 27), to serve as clearing account for interbank claims and to comply with existing trust regulations. Due from BSP also includes Overnight Deposit and Term Deposit Accounts. The balance of Overnight Deposit amounted to P2,017 and P7,005 for the Group and, nil and P3,800 for the Parent Company, in 2017 and 2016, respectively, while Term Deposit Account amounted to P200 and P13,500 for the Group, and P200 and P9,000 for the Parent Company as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Overnight deposit bears interest of 2.5% years in 2017, 2016 and 2015, while term deposit account earns interest of 3.4%, 3.3%, and 2.5% in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

The balance of Due from Other Banks account represents regular deposits with the following:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Foreign banks	P 17,724	P 23,232	P 17,234	P 23,843
Local banks	<u>2,094</u>	<u>2,061</u>	<u>1,084</u>	<u>1,066</u>
	P 19,818	P 25,293	P 18,368	P 24,909

The breakdown of Due from Other Banks account by currency is shown below.

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Foreign currencies	P 17,922	P 23,775	P 17,839	P 23,563
Philippine peso	<u>1,896</u>	<u>1,518</u>	<u>529</u>	<u>543</u>
	P 19,818	P 25,293	P 18,368	P 24,106

Interest rates per annum on these deposits in other banks range from 0.00% to 1.20% in 2017, from 0.35% to 1.00% in 2016, and from 0.00% to 0.30% in 2015.

The Group has loans and receivables from BSP as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 arising from overnight lending from excess liquidity which earn effective interest of 3.00% in both years. These loans normally mature within 30 days. Interest income earned from these financial assets is presented under Interest Income account in the statements of profit or loss.

10. TRADING AND INVESTMENT SECURITIES

This account is comprised of:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Financial assets at FVPL	P 7,591	P 18,079	P 6,553	P 17,075
Financial assets at FVOCI	<u>5,363</u>	<u>5,679</u>	<u>3,439</u>	<u>3,735</u>
Investment securities at amortized cost	<u>59,978</u>	<u>51,864</u>	<u>49,141</u>	<u>44,842</u>
	P 72,932	P 75,622	P 59,133	P 65,652

10.1 Financial Assets at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss

Financial assets at FVPL is composed of the following:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Government securities	P 4,386	P 14,822	P 4,289	P 14,790
Corporate debt securities	<u>462</u>	<u>514</u>	<u>455</u>	<u>418</u>
Equity securities	<u>1,624</u>	<u>1,565</u>	<u>690</u>	<u>689</u>
Derivative financial assets	<u>1,119</u>	<u>1,178</u>	<u>1,119</u>	<u>1,178</u>
	P 7,591	P 18,079	P 6,553	P 17,075

The carrying amounts of financial assets at FVPL are classified as follows:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Held-for-trading	P 4,848	P 15,336	P 4,744	P 15,208
Designated as at FVPL	1,624	1,565	690	689
Derivatives	1,112	1,178	1,112	1,178
	<u>P 7,584</u>	<u>P 18,079</u>	<u>P 6,546</u>	<u>P 17,075</u>

Treasury bills and other debt securities issued by the government and other private corporations earn annual interest as follows:

	2017	2016	2015
Peso denominated	2.13% - 8.75%	1.63% - 12.13%	2.63% - 8.44%
Foreign currency denominated	2.95% - 10.63%	1.30% - 11.63%	3.43% - 9.63%

Equity securities are composed of listed shares of stock traded at the PSE and shares of stock designated as at FVPL.

Derivative instruments used by the Group include foreign currency short-term forwards, cross-currency swaps, debt warrants and options. Foreign currency forwards represent commitments to purchase/sell on a future date at a specific exchange rate. Foreign currency short-term swaps are simultaneous foreign currency spot and forward deals with tenor of one year. Debt warrants attached to the bonds and other debt securities allows the Group to purchase additional debt securities from the same contracting issuer at the same price and yield as the initial purchased security. Option is a derivative financial instrument that specifies a contract between two parties for a future transaction on an asset at a reference price.

The aggregate contractual or notional amount of derivative financial instruments and the aggregate fair values of derivative financial assets and financial liabilities as of December 31 both in the Group's and Parent Company's financial statements are shown below.

		Notional Amount		Fair Values	
				Assets	Liabilities
2017:					
Currency swaps and forwards	P	51,050	P	911	P 402
Interest rate swaps and futures		26,977		174	80
Debt warrants		6,250		29	-
Options		3,718		5	1
Credit default swap		25		-	-
	P	88,052	P	1,119	P 483
2016:					
Currency swaps and forwards	P	27,155	P	1,023	P 288
Interest rate swaps and futures		22,346		166	92
Debt warrants		6,224		31	-
Options		3,604		15	3
Credit default swap		92		1	-
	P	59,428	P	1,136	P 383

Derivative liabilities amounting to P483 and P385 as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, are shown as Derivative financial liabilities as part of Other Liabilities account in the statements of financial position (see Note 22). The significant portion of such derivative liabilities have maturity periods of less than a year.

Other information about the fair value measurement of the Group's and Parent Company's financial assets at FVPL are presented in Note 7.2.

10.2 Financial Assets at Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income

Financial assets at FVOCI as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 consist of

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Quoted equity securities	P 3,653	P 3,935	P 1,958	P 2,200
Unquoted equity securities	1,710	1,744	1,481	1,535
	<u>P 5,363</u>	<u>P 5,679</u>	<u>P 3,439</u>	<u>P 3,735</u>

The Group has designated the above local equity securities as at FVOCI because they are held for long-term investments and are neither held for trading nor designated as at FVPL. Unquoted equity securities pertain to golf club shares and investments in non-marketable equity securities.

Included in the carrying amount of the Group's financial assets at FVOCI as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 are unquoted equity securities with fair value of P1,710 and P1,744, respectively, determined using the net asset value or a market-based approach (price-to-book value method), hence, categorized under Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy (see Note 7.2).

The fair value changes in FVOCI are recognized as an adjustment in other comprehensive income and presented in the statements of comprehensive income under items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss (see Note 10.5). In addition, as a result of the Group's disposal of certain financial assets at FVOCI, the related fair value gain of P4 in 2017, and P3 in both 2016 and 2015 recognized in other comprehensive income prior to the year of disposal was transferred from Revaluation Reserves to Surplus account during those years.

In 2017, 2016 and 2015, dividends on these equity securities were recognized amounting to P234, P449 and P237 by the Group and, P196, P307 and P87 by the Parent Company, respectively, which are included as part of Miscellaneous income under the Other Operating Income account in the statements of profit or loss (see Note 25.1).

10.3 Investment Securities at Amortized Cost

Investment securities at amortized cost as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 consist of

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Government securities	P 39,044	P 25,990	P 29,379	P 21,266
Corporate debt securities	20,934	25,874	18,762	22,976
	<u>P 59,978</u>	<u>P 51,864</u>	<u>P 48,141</u>	<u>P 44,242</u>

The breakdown of these investment securities at amortized cost by currency is shown below:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Philippine peso	P 9,834	P 11,322	P 2,634	P 4,580
Foreign currencies	50,094	40,542	43,507	40,542
	P 59,928	P 51,864	P 46,141	P 45,122

Interest rates per annum on government securities and corporate debt securities range from 2.13% to 8.60% in 2017, 2.13% to 8.44% in 2016 and 1.63% to 8.44% in 2015 for peso-denominated securities and 1.63% to 10.63% in 2017, 1.40% to 10.63% in 2016 and 1.40% to 10.63% in 2015 for foreign currency-denominated securities.

Certain government securities are deposited with the BSP as security for the Group's faithful compliance with its fiduciary obligations in connection with its trust operations (see Note 27).

In 2017, the Parent Company disposed of certain peso and US dollar-denominated bonds under its HTC portfolio and classified as investment securities at amortized cost with aggregate carrying amount of P22,279, resulting in gains amounting to P681. The disposal was made in connection with the Parent Company's adoption of PFRS 9 (2014) in 2018 which would require additional allowance for impairment on certain financial assets under the expected credit loss model, and as a result, may diminish the Parent Company's existing level of qualifying capital. The disposal also aims to ensure the Parent Company's continuing regulatory compliance with the required minimum CET 1 ratio. In 2016, the Parent Company and RSB also disposed of certain investment securities under its HTC portfolio with total carrying amount of P54,906 which resulted in net gains of P1,352. These investments were disposed of in compliance with regulatory capital and liquidity requirement. Gains arising from these disposals were recognized as part of Trading and Securities Gains account in the 2017 and 2016 statements of profit loss.

Management has assessed that the Group's and Parent Company's disposals of the investment securities during those periods are consistent with the Group's HTC business model for the portfolio with the objective of collecting contractual cash flows and have qualified under the permitted sale events set forth in the Group's business model in managing financial assets manual and the requirements of PFRS 9 and BSP Circular 708.

The above disposals of investment securities were approved by the respective Executive Committee of the Parent Company and RSB in compliance with the documentation requirements of the BSP, and were accordingly ratified by their respective BOD.

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, investment securities of both the Group and the Parent Company with an aggregate amortized cost of P7,437 and P4,931, respectively, were pledged as collaterals for bills payable under repurchase agreements (see Note 18).

10.4 Interest Income from Trading and Investment Securities

Interest income from trading and investment securities recognized by the Group and Parent Company in 2017, 2016 and 2015 amounts to:

	Group		
	2017	2016	2015
Financial asset at FVPL	P 647	P 938	P 834
Investment securities at amortized cost	2,137	2,331	3,056
	<u>P 2,784</u>	<u>P 3,269</u>	<u>P 3,890</u>
	Parent Company		
	2017	2016	2015
Financial asset at FVPL	P 557	P 931	P 815
Investment securities at amortized cost	1,752	1,926	2,640
	<u>P 2,309</u>	<u>P 2,927</u>	<u>P 3,455</u>

10.5 Trading and Securities Gains (Losses)

The Group and the Parent Company recognized trading and securities gains (losses) in its trading or disposals of investment securities, including their fair value changes, in 2017, 2016, and 2015 as follows.

	Group		
	2017	2016	2015
Profit or loss:			
Financial asset at FVPL	P 195	P 267	P 68
Investment securities at amortized cost	703	1,352	1,252
	<u>P 898</u>	<u>P 1,619</u>	<u>P 1,320</u>
Other comprehensive income:			
Financial assets at FVOCI	(P 156)	P 1,442	(P 140)
Transfer of fair value gain to surplus	(4)	(3)	(3)
	<u>P 160</u>	<u>P 1,439</u>	<u>(P 143)</u>
	Parent Company		
	2017	2016	2015
Profit or loss:			
Financial asset at FVPL	(P 28)	P 136	P 68
Investment securities at amortized cost	684	1,327	1,164
	<u>P 656</u>	<u>P 1,463</u>	<u>P 1,232</u>
Other comprehensive income:			
Financial asset at FVOCI	(269)	1,393	(220)
Transfer of fair value gain to surplus	(4)	(3)	(3)
	<u>(P 273)</u>	<u>P 1,390</u>	<u>(P 223)</u>

11. LOANS AND RECEIVABLES

This account consists of the following (see also Note 28.1):

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Receivables from customers:				
Loans and discounts	P 319,099	P 281,025	P 233,549	P 205,190
Credit card receivables	16,405	12,760	16,405	12,760
Customers' liabilities on acceptances, import bills and trust receipts	12,404	7,675	12,404	7,675
Lease contract receivables	2,893	2,085	-	-
Bills purchased	2,642	2,128	2,605	2,125
Receivables financed	249	229	-	-
	353,662	305,902	264,963	227,950
Unearned discount	(817)	(243)	(332)	(226)
	352,845	305,659	264,631	227,724
Other receivables:				
Accrued interest receivables	3,094	2,784	2,232	2,675
Accounts receivables (see Notes 15.1 and 28.5 (a) and (b))	2,641	1,594	2,206	1,150
Impaired debt securities classified as loans	1,939	1,250	1,177	1,196
Sales contract receivables	1,679	1,770	449	564
Interbank loans receivables (see Note 9)	38	515	38	515
	9,391	7,913	6,102	5,500
	362,236	313,572	270,733	233,224
Allowance for impairment (see Note 16)	(7,993)	(7,411)	(4,942)	(4,792)
	P 354,243	P 306,161	P 265,791	P 228,432

Receivables from customer's portfolio earn on average annual interest or range of interest as follows:

	2017	2016	2015
Loans and discounts:			
Philippine peso	5.00%	5.08%	5.05%
Foreign currencies	3.63%	3.50%	3.95%
Credit card receivables	17.00% - 27.00%	19.00% - 29.00%	16.00% - 31.00%
Lease contract receivables	8.00% - 20.00%	8.00% - 20.00%	8.00% - 20.89%
Receivable financed	11.00% - 12.50%	10.00% - 12.00%	10.00% - 25.00%

Included in unquoted debt securities classified as loans and receivable as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 is a 10-year note from Philippine Asset Growth One, Inc. (PAGO) with a face amount of P731, which is part of the consideration received in relation to the Parent Company's disposal in February 2013 of its non-performing assets (NPA's), consisting of non-performing loans (NPLs) with a carrying amount of P507 and non-performing investment properties with a carrying amount of P1,236 (see Note 14.1). This note receivable carries a variable interest rate of 1.0% per annum during the first five years, 7.0% per annum in the sixth to seventh year, and 7.5% per annum in the last three years. This note receivable was initially recognized in 2013 at fair value resulting in the recognition of day-one loss of P181 which is included as part of allowance for impairment. Also included in the unquoted debt securities is RSB's 10-year note, which bears 6.44% interest per annum with present value of P742. In June 2017, RSB entered into an agreement with a third party for the sale of various foreclosed real properties with book value of P1,127, for a total consideration of P1,385; of which P396 and P989 (face amount) were in the form of cash and note receivable, respectively. Accordingly, the Group recognized a gain on sale amounting to P11 and is presented as part of Gains on assets sold under Miscellaneous income in the 2017 statement of profit or loss (see Notes 15.1 and 25.1).

Accounts receivables include claim from the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) relating to the 20% final withholding tax on Poverty Eradication and Alleviation Certificates (PEACE) bonds amounting to P199. On January 13, 2015, the Supreme Court nullified the 2011 BIR Rulings classifying all bonds as deposit substitutes and ordered the Bureau of Treasury to return to the petitioning banks the 20% final withholding taxes it withheld on the PEACE Bonds on October 18, 2011. Subsequently, on March 16, 2015, the Parent Company filed a Motion for Clarification and/or Partial Reconsideration (the Motion) and reiterated its arguments with the Supreme Court. On October 5, 2016, the Supreme Court partially granted the Motion for Clarification and/or Partial Reconsideration filed by the Parent Company, stating that (a) to determine whether the securities newly issued and sold by the Bureau of Treasury should be treated as "deposit substitutes", the phrase "at any one time" in relation to "20 or more lenders" should be reckoned at the time of their original issuance, (b) this interpretation, at any rate, cannot be applied retroactively since this would prejudice the Bank and RCBC Capital which relied in good faith on the rulings/opinions of the BIR that the transaction in issue is exempted from any final withholding tax, and (c) such being the case, the PEACE Bonds cannot be treated as deposit substitutes. In November 2016, the Supreme Court denied the Motion filed by the OSG (see Note 29.2). Accordingly, in 2016, the Parent Company reversed the related allowance for impairment and in 2017, substantial amount of receivables from the BIR was recovered including the legal interest of P43 which is presented as part of Other Interest Income account in the 2017 statement of profit or loss (see Note 29.2).

Also included in Parent Company's accounts receivables is the amount due from RCBC JPL which was acquired from Rizal Microbank in 2015 amounting to P222. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the outstanding balance amounted to P192. The receivable amount is unsecured, noninterest-bearing and payable in cash on demand (see Note 28).

There is no impairment recognized in this account for the year ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

11.1 Credit Concentration, Security and Maturity Profile of Receivables from Customers

The concentration of credit of receivables from customers as to industry follows

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Real estate, renting and other related activities	P 81,927	P 70,532	P 52,669	P 42,853
Electricity, gas and water	64,794	52,062	64,453	51,480
Consumer	54,196	44,174	18,055	13,003
Wholesale and retail trade	40,500	26,279	35,692	25,522
Manufacturing (various industries)	35,034	41,689	33,504	41,067
Transportation and communication	22,918	14,270	17,162	14,509
Financial intermediaries	21,521	19,783	19,534	17,273
Other community, social and personal activities	14,799	19,231	10,755	14,310
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	4,928	4,090	4,479	3,730
Hotels and restaurants	4,133	3,260	4,133	3,260
Mining and quarrying	1,922	1,984	1,779	1,901
Others	6,173	5,305	2,416	176
	P 352,845	P 305,659	P 264,631	P 227,724

The BSP considers that loan concentration exists when the total loan exposure to a particular industry exceeds 30% of the total loan portfolio plus the outstanding interbank loans receivable. The Group and the Parent Company are in compliance with this loan concentration limit of the BSP as of the end of each reporting period.

The breakdown of the receivables from customers' portfolio as to secured and unsecured follows:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Secured:				
Real estate mortgage	P 86,193	P 78,707	P 42,326	P 41,034
Chattel mortgage	37,975	31,831	623	454
Held-out deposit	15,799	16,379	14,380	13,925
Other securities	26,718	22,291	25,375	29,294
	166,685	156,211	82,704	86,707
Unsecured	186,160	149,448	181,927	141,017
	P 352,845	P 305,659	P 264,631	P 227,724

The maturity profile of the receivables from customers' portfolio follows:

	<u>Group</u>		<u>Parent Company</u>	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Due within one year	P 92,550	P 18,613	P 71,992	P 53,333
Due beyond one year	<u>260,295</u>	<u>227,046</u>	<u>192,639</u>	<u>174,361</u>
	P 352,845	P 305,659	P 264,631	P 227,694

11.2 Non-performing Loans and Impairment

NPLs included in the total loan portfolio of the Group and the Parent Company as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 are presented below, net of allowance for impairment in compliance with the BSP Circular 772, *Amendments to Regulations on Non-performing Loans*.

	<u>Group</u>		<u>Parent Company</u>	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Gross NPLs	P 7,907	P 6,311	P 2,861	P 1,913
Allowance for impairment	(3,416)	(3,279)	(1,394)	(1,523)
	P 4,491	P 3,032	P 1,467	P 390

Based on BSP regulations, NPLs shall, as a general rule, refer to loan accounts whose principal and/or interest is unpaid for 30 days or more after due date or after they have become past due in accordance with existing rules and regulations. This shall apply to loans payable in lump sum and loans payable in quarterly, semi-annual or annual installments, in which case, the total outstanding balance thereof shall be considered non-performing. In the case of loans payable in monthly installments, the total outstanding balance thereof shall be considered non-performing when three or more installments are in arrears. In the case of loans payable in daily, weekly or semi-monthly installments, the entire outstanding balance of the loan receivable shall be considered as non-performing when the total amount of arrearages reaches 10% of the total loan receivable balance. Restructured loans shall be considered non-performing except when as of restructuring date, it has an updated principal and interest payments and it is fully secured by real estate with loan value of up to 60% of the appraised value of real estate security and the insured improvements and such other first class collaterals. If a loan become non-performing, no accrual of interest income is recognized. Interest is recognized as income only when actual collection thereon is received.

A reconciliation of the allowance for impairment of loans and receivables at the beginning and end of 2017 and 2016 is shown below (see Note 16).

	<u>Group</u>		<u>Parent Company</u>	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Balance at beginning of year	P 7,411	P 7,040	P 4,792	P 4,825
Impairment losses during the year – net	2,076	1,736	1,086	841
Accounts written off and others	(1,494)	(1,365)	(934)	(874)
Balance at end of year	P 7,993	P 7,411	P 4,942	P 4,792

12. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES AND ASSOCIATES

The components of the carrying values of investments in and advances to subsidiaries and associates are as follows (refer to Note 1.2 for the effective percentage of ownership, line of business, and country of incorporation of subsidiaries and associates).

	Note	Group	
		2017	2016
Acquisition costs of associates:			
HCCI	P	91	91
LIPC		57	57
YCS		4	4
		<u>152</u>	<u>152</u>
Accumulated equity in net earnings:			
Balance at beginning of year		231	211
Share in net earnings for the year		92	131
Share in actuarial gains on defined benefit plan	23.6	4	
Cash dividends		(62)	(111)
Balance at end of year		<u>265</u>	<u>231</u>
Carrying amount		<u>P 417</u>	<u>P 383</u>
		Parent Company	
		2017	2016
Acquisition costs of subsidiaries:			
RSR	P	3,190	3,190
RCBC Capital		2,231	2,231
Rizal Microbank		1,242	1,242
RCBC LIC		1,187	1,187
RCBC JPL		375	375
RCBC Forex		150	150
RCBC North America		134	134
RCBC Telemoney		72	72
RCBC JFL		58	58
		<u>8,632</u>	<u>8,632</u>
Accumulated equity in net earnings:			
Balance at beginning of year		7,817	6,482
Share in net earnings for the year		1,960	1,364
Share in actuarial gains on defined benefit plan	23.6	19	24
Share in fair value gains on financial assets at FVOCI	23.6	113	47
Share in translation adjustments on foreign operations	23.6	(1)	25
Cash dividends		(315)	(165)
Others		(31)	(10)
Balance at end of year		<u>9,562</u>	<u>7,817</u>
Carrying amount (carried forward)		<u>P 18,201</u>	<u>P 16,456</u>

	Note	Parent Company	
		2017	2016
Carrying amount (brought forward)		P 18,201	P 16,456
Acquisition costs of associates			
NPHI		388	388
HCPi		91	91
LIPC		57	57
YCS		4	4
		540	540
Accumulated equity in net earnings:			
Balance at beginning of year		182	223
Share in net earnings for the year		150	136
Share in actuarial gains on defined benefit plan	23.6	4	
Cash dividends		(59)	(172)
Balance at end of year		277	182
		817	722
Carrying amount		P 19,018	P 17,178

At the end of each reporting period, the Group has no material interest in unconsolidated structured entities.

Also, the Parent Company and its subsidiaries did not enter in any contractual arrangements to provide financial support to any entities under the Group.

The Parent Company received dividends from its subsidiaries and associates amounting to P315 and P59, respectively, in 2017, P191 and P111, respectively, in 2016, and P602 and P76, respectively, in 2015.

12.1 Changes in Investments in Subsidiaries

On May 25, 2015, the Parent Company's BOD approved the equity infusion into Rizal Microbank of P250 by purchasing additional 2,500,000 common shares of stock with par value of P100 each. The additional capital infusion into Rizal Microbank was approved by the BSP on September 30, 2015.

On February 23, 2015, the Parent Company's BOD approved the subscription to P500 worth of shares of stock of RCBC LFC. In 2016, RCBC LFC filed application with the SEC for increase in authorized capital stock after it has secured the certificate of authority to amend the articles of incorporation from the BSP. Accordingly, as of December 31, 2016, the subscription to P500 worth of shares of stock of RCBC LFC was reclassified to the related investment account. As of December 31, 2017, approval from SEC is still pending.

12.2 Information About Investments in Associates

The Parent Company, under a shareholder's agreement, agreed with another stockholder of HCPI to commit and undertake to vote, as a unit, the shares of stock thereof, which they proportionately own and hold, and to regulate the conduct of the voting and the relationship between them with respect to their exercise of their voting rights. As a result of this agreement, the Parent Company is able to exercise significant influence over the operating and financial policies of HCPI. Thus, HCPI has been considered by the Parent Company as an associate despite holding only 12.88% ownership interest.

The table below presents the summary of the unaudited financial information of HCPI as of and for the years ended December 31:

		<u>Resources</u>		<u>Liabilities</u>		<u>Revenue</u>		<u>Net Profit</u>
2017:								
HCPI	P	6,110	P	2,965	P	25,215	P	589
2016:								
HCPI	P	5,921	P	3,090	P	16,231	P	718

13. BANK PREMISES, FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT

The gross carrying amounts and accumulated depreciation and amortization of bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment at the beginning and end of 2017 and 2016 are shown below.

	Group				
	Land	Buildings	Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	Leasehold Rights and Improvements	Total
December 31, 2017					
Cost	P 1,281	P 1,964	P 9,684	P 1,067	P 15,996
Accumulated depreciation and amortization		(1,514)	(5,218)		(6,732)
Net carrying amount	<u>P 1,281</u>	<u>P 2,036</u>	<u>P 4,466</u>	<u>P 1,067</u>	<u>P 8,869</u>
December 31, 2016					
Cost	P 1,389	P 3,513	P 9,658	P 1,125	P 15,685
Accumulated depreciation and amortization		(1,226)	(5,829)	(25)	(6,711)
Net carrying amount	<u>P 1,389</u>	<u>P 2,687</u>	<u>P 4,329</u>	<u>P 1,099</u>	<u>P 8,876</u>
January 1, 2016					
Cost	P 1,297	P 3,219	P 7,946	P 1,015	P 13,477
Accumulated depreciation and amortization		(1,111)	(4,264)		(5,826)
Net carrying amount	<u>P 1,297</u>	<u>P 2,108</u>	<u>P 3,682</u>	<u>P 1,015</u>	<u>P 7,662</u>

	Land		Buildings		Parent Company Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment		Leasehold Rights and Improvements		Total
December 31, 2017									
Cost	P	771	P	2,419	P	5,166	P	891	P 10,247
Accumulated depreciation and amortization		()	()	1,030	()	3,072		()	() 5,072
Net carrying amount	P	771	P	1,419	P	2,117	P	891	P 5,197
December 31, 2016									
Cost	P	773	P	2,341	P	5,882	P	816	P 9,812
Accumulated depreciation and amortization		()	()	915	()	3,731		()	() 4,646
Net carrying amount	P	773	P	1,449	P	2,151	P	816	P 5,192
January 1, 2016									
Cost	P	786	P	2,440	P	5,578	P	748	P 9,552
Accumulated depreciation and amortization		()	()	885	()	3,482		()	() 4,367
Net carrying amount	P	786	P	1,555	P	2,096	P	748	P 5,185

A reconciliation of the carrying amounts of bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment at the beginning and end of 2017 and 2016 is shown below:

	Land		Buildings		Group Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment		Leasehold Rights and Improvements		Total
Balance at January 1, 2017, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	P	1,290	P	2,049	P	4,559	P	1,140	P 8,038
Additions				41		779		675	1,524
Depreciation and amortization charges for the year	()	67	()	81	()	81	()	74	() 113
Balance at December 31, 2017, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	P	1,293	P	2,069	P	4,645	P	1,190	P 8,946
Balance at January 1, 2016, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	P	1,277	P	2,108	P	3,182	P	1,015	P 7,682
Additions				84		2,902		396	3,742
Rectification from insurance proceeds (see Note 14)		10		16		-		-	46
Depreciation and amortization charges for the year	()	14	()	44	()	892	()	591	() 2,111
Balance at December 31, 2016, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	P	1,282	P	2,108	P	4,298	P	1,000	P 8,679

	Parent Company				Total
	Land	Buildings	Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	Leasehold Rights and Improvements	
Balance at January 1, 2017, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	P 177	P 1,443	P 2,151	P 815	P 5,186
Additions	-	42	576	145	863
Deposals	(6)	(2)	(75)	(118)	(191)
Depreciation and amortization charges for the year	-	(62)	(535)	(128)	(725)
Balance at December 31, 2017, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	P 171	P 1,419	P 2,142	P 814	P 5,192
Balance at January 1, 2016, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	P 786	P 1,443	P 1,998	P 738	P 4,974
Additions	-	75	780	734	1,529
Deposals	(9)	(2)	(146)	(116)	(173)
Depreciation and amortization charges for the year	-	(98)	(484)	(135)	(727)
Balance at December 31, 2016, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	P 777	P 1,419	P 2,151	P 814	P 5,161

Under BSP rules, investments in bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment should not exceed 50% of the respective unimpaired capital of the Parent Company and its bank subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Parent Company and its bank subsidiaries have satisfactorily complied with this BSP requirement.

The cost of the Group's and the Parent Company's fully-depreciated bank premises, furniture, fixtures and equipment that are still in use in operations is P3,789 and P3,638, respectively, as of December 31, 2017 and P4,174 and P3,637, respectively, as of December 31, 2016.

14. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

Investment properties pertain to land, buildings or condominium units acquired by the Group, in settlement of loans from defaulting borrowers through foreclosure or dacion in payment and properties which are held for rental.

14.1 Additions and Disposals of Investment Properties

The Group and the Parent Company foreclosed real and other properties totaling P2,360 and P19, respectively, in 2017, P559 and P46, respectively, in 2016 in settlement of certain loan accounts.

In September 2014, the Parent Company sold to a third party buyer a certain non-performing investment properties consisting of land and building with a total carrying amount of P774 for a total consideration of P740, consisting of P35 cash as down payment, P40 accounts receivable and P665 sales contract receivable with no interest and payable in staggered amount for a period of four years (see Note 11). The sales contract receivable was initially recognized at its fair value resulting in the recognition of a day one loss amounting to P5 which is included as part of allowance for unpaument.

The total gain recognized by the Group and the Parent Company from disposals of investment properties amounted to P441 and P378, respectively, in 2017, P120 and P139, respectively, in 2016, and P281 and P162, respectively, in 2015, which is presented as part of Gains on assets sold under Miscellaneous Income account in the statements of profit or loss (see Note 25.1)

14.2 Income and Expenses from Investment Properties Held for Rental

The Group and Parent Company earned rental income from investment properties amounting to P416 and P400, respectively, in 2017, P414 and P399, respectively, in 2016, and P310 and P330, respectively, in 2015 and are presented as part of Rentals under Miscellaneous Income account in the statement of profit or loss [see Notes 25.1 and 28.5(a)]. Expenses incurred by the Group and Parent Company in relation to the investment properties include taxes and licenses amounting to P25 and P18, respectively, both in 2017 and 2016, P17 and P15, respectively, in 2015.

14.3 Valuation and Measurement of Investment Properties

In 2015, certain investment properties of the Group were written down to their carrying amount of P362 based on management's latest evaluation of recoverable amount computed based on fair value less costs of disposal. The recoverable amount of these properties were computed based on the latest available appraisal reports adjusted for the costs of disposal of 4% of the appraised amounts and/or estimated selling price.

The fair value of investment properties as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, based on the available appraisal reports, amounted to P4,940 and P4,700, respectively, for the Group; and, P6,161 and P5,799, respectively, for the Parent Company (see Note 7.4).

15. OTHER RESOURCES

Other resources consist of the following:

	Notes	Group		Parent Company	
		2017	2016	2017	2016
Creditable withholding taxes		P 2,110	P 1,560	P 1,976	P 1,542
Assets held-for-sale and disposal group	15.1	1,594	3,888	862	1,515
Branch licenses	15.5	1,000	1,005	1,000	1,005
Software – net	15.2	977	960	874	850
Prepaid expenses		538	457	274	295
Goodwill	15.3	426	426	-	-
Refundable deposits		334	304	235	198
Unused stationery and supplies		288	202	229	154
Due from clearing house		246	92	-	-
Foreign currency notes		98	52	87	45
Returned checks and other cash items		87	220	69	203
Inter-office float items		81	112	107	123
Sundry debits		29	6	2	-
Margin deposits	15.4	23	20	23	20
Miscellaneous		<u>1,372</u>	<u>536</u>	<u>529</u>	<u>372</u>
		9,203	10,149	6,308	6,317
Allowance for impairment	15.3, 16	(121)	(288)	(3)	(1)
		<u>P 9,012</u>	<u>P 9,861</u>	<u>P 6,305</u>	<u>P 6,316</u>

Prepaid expenses include prepayments for insurance, taxes and licenses, and software maintenance. Miscellaneous account includes various deposits, advance rentals, service provider fund and other assets.

15.1 Assets Held-for-Sale and Disposal Group

Assets held-for-sale represents real and other properties that are approved by management to be immediately sold. These mainly include real properties, automobiles and equipment foreclosed by the Parent Company, RSB and RCBC LFC in settlement of loans.

In 2015, RSB classified a portion of investment properties amounting to P1,351 as assets held-for-sale (see Note 14) since the carrying amount of those properties will be recovered principally through a sale transaction. The properties were readily available for immediate sale in its present condition and that management believes that the sale was highly probable at the time of reclassification. In June 2017, the properties were sold to a third party with total consideration of P1,385; of which P396 and P989 (present value is P742) were in the form of cash and note receivable, respectively (see Note 11).

In 2013, the Parent Company entered into a joint venture agreement with a third party developer to develop certain investment properties (see Note 14) for the purpose of recovering the cost through eventual sale which led to the reclassification of the properties amounting to P337 as assets held-for-sale. This joint arrangement is accounted for as a jointly controlled operation as there was no separate entity created under this joint venture agreement. The joint venture agreement stipulates that the Parent Company shall contribute parcels of land and the co-venturer shall be responsible for the planning, conceptualization, design, construction, financing and marketing of units to be constructed on the properties. In 2017, the joint venture agreement was terminated and both parties entered into a contract of sale, with the joint venturer property developer purchasing the properties contributed by the Parent Company at a consideration of P551 resulting in a gain from sale of P198, which is recognized as part of Gains on assets sold under Miscellaneous Income account in the 2017 statement of profit or loss (see Note 25.1). The outstanding receivables related to this transaction as of December 31, 2017 amounted to P463 and is presented as part of Accounts receivables under Loans and Receivables account in the 2017 statement of financial position (see Note 11).

In 2009, in accordance with the letter received by RSB from BSP dated March 26, 2009, RSB reclassified certain investment properties to equity investments as its investment in subsidiaries in its separate financial statements which resulted in the inclusion of the assets, liabilities, income and expenses of the SPCs of RSB in the Group's consolidated financial statements. The approval of the BSP through the MB is subject to the following conditions: (i) RSB should immediately dissolve the SPCs once the underlying dacioned real property assets were sold or disposed of; and, (ii) the equity investments in the SPCs shall be disposed of within a reasonable period of time.

In partial compliance with the requirements of the BSP, the management of RSB resolved that certain SPCs be disposed of through the conversion of the SPCs' existing common shares into redeemable preferred shares which shall be subsequently redeemed. Accordingly, at their special meeting held on September 30, 2013, the respective BOD and the stockholders of the SPCs approved that a portion of the common shares of the SPCs owned by RSB shall be converted to redeemable preferred shares and that for such purpose, the Articles of Incorporation of the SPCs below have been amended. The amendment was approved by the SEC on November 28, 2013:

- | | |
|-------------------|----------------|
| (a) Goldpath | (g) Princeway |
| (b) Eight Hills | (h) Greatwings |
| (c) Crescent Park | (i) Top Place |
| (d) Niceview | (j) Crestview |
| (e) Lifeway | (k) Best Value |
| (f) Gold Place | |

On December 23, 2013, the BOD of RSB approved the foregoing SPCs' redemption of the SPCs' respective preferred shares for a total consideration of P1,555. This transaction resulted in the recognition of a redemption loss by RSB amounting to P185 which is reported in the 2013 consolidated financial statements of the Group as part of Other Reserves account pending the eventual retirement of these redeemable preferred shares. On May 30, 2014 and on October 16, 2014, the retirement of the preferred shares was approved by the BOD and SEC, respectively; hence, the retirement of shares was executed by RSB. Consequently, the amount of the redemption loss was transferred directly to Surplus account from Other Reserves account as the redemption of shares of these SPCs is considered transaction between owners within the Group (see Note 23.4).

In relation to the SPCs disposal plan and to fully comply with the requirements of the BSP, the BOD of RSB has approved in its meeting held on May 30, 2014 the shortening of the corporate life of these SPCs until December 31, 2015 which was approved by the SEC in various dates during the last quarter of 2014. As the Group is in the process of liquidating the operations of those SPCs, which is expected to be completed within 2018, the carrying amounts of the real properties of those SPCs subject for liquidation are accounted for under PFRS 5, hence, classified as assets held-for-sale

15.2 Software

A reconciliation of the carrying amounts of software at the beginning and end of 2017 and 2016 is shown below.

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Balance at beginning of year	P 960	P 936	P 850	P 786
Additions	304	294	367	270
Amortization	(287)	(362)	(243)	(306)
Balance at end of year	P 977	P 868	P 974	P 750

Amortization charges for software are included as part of Depreciation and Amortization account in the statements of profit or loss.

15.3 Goodwill

The goodwill recognized by the Group as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 pertains to the following:

RSB	P 268
Rizal Microbank	158
	426
Allowance for impairment	(158)
	P 268

RSB recognized goodwill arising from its acquisition of the net assets of another bank in 1998 from which it had expected future economic benefits and synergies that will result from combining the operations of the acquired bank with that of RSB.

Goodwill is subject to annual impairment testing and whenever there is an indication of impairment. In 2017 and 2016, RSB engaged a third party consultant to perform an independent impairment testing of goodwill. On the basis of the report of the third party consultant dated January 28, 2018 and January 30, 2017 with valuation date as of the end of 2017 and 2016, respectively, the Group has assessed that the recoverable amount of the goodwill is higher than its carrying value. Accordingly, no impairment loss is required to be recognized in the statements of profit or loss in both years.

In addition, the goodwill pertaining to the acquisition of Rizal Microbank was fully provided with impairment in 2011.

15.4 Margin Deposits

Margin deposits serve as security for outstanding financial market transactions and other liabilities. These are designed to provide additional credit risk protection for counterparty exposures.

15.5 Branch Licenses

Branch licenses represent the rights granted by the BSP to the Parent Company in 2015 to establish a certain number of branches in the restricted areas in the country. This account also includes the excess of the total cost of investment over the allocated net assets acquired by the Parent Company from RCBC JPL.

16. ALLOWANCE FOR IMPAIRMENT

Changes in the amounts of allowance for impairment are summarized as follows:

	Notes	Group		Parent Company	
		2017	2016	2017	2016
Balance at beginning of year					
Loans and receivables	11	P 7,411	P 7,040	P 4,792	P 4,825
Investment properties	14	34	70	-	-
Other resources	15	288	240	1	8
		7,733	7,350	4,793	4,833
Impairment losses:					
Loans and receivables	11	2,076	1,858	1,086	1,040
Other resources	15	72	(86)	78	(184)
		2,153	1,772	1,164	856
Charge-offs and other adjustments during the year		(1,646)	(1,387)	(1,013)	(1,327)
		P 592	P 591	P 151	P 471
Balance at end of year					
Loans and receivables	11	P 7,993	P 7,411	P 4,942	P 4,792
Investment properties	14	58	34	-	-
Other resources	15	191	238	12	1
		P 8,242	P 7,733	P 4,954	P 4,793

17. DEPOSIT LIABILITIES

The following is the breakdown of deposit liabilities (see also Note 28.2):

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Demand	P 51,996	P 42,053	P 40,857	P 33,027
Savings	165,187	162,926	141,160	140,921
Time	161,727	136,217	97,149	74,336
Long-term Negotiable Certificate of Deposits (LTNCD)	9,502	11,881	9,502	11,881
	P 388,412	P 353,077	P 288,667	P 260,165

The Parent Company's LTNCDs as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 are as follows:

Issuance Date	Maturity Date	Coupon Interest	Outstanding Balances	
			2017	2016
August 11, 2017	February 11, 2023	3.75%	P 2,502	P -
December 19, 2014	June 19, 2020	4.13%	2,100	2,100
November 14, 2013	May 14, 2019	3.25%	2,860	2,860
November 14, 2013	May 14, 2019	0.00%	2,040	1,970
May 7, 2012	November 7, 2017	5.25%	-	1,150
December 29, 2011	June 29, 2017	5.25%	-	2,031
December 29, 2011	June 29, 2017	0.00%	-	1,638
			P 9,502	P 11,881

The Parent Company's LTNCDs were used in the expansion of its term deposit base to support long term asset growth and for other general funding purposes. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, unamortized debt issue cost amounted to P20 and P8, respectively. Amortization of debt issue cost of P3 in 2017 and P2 both in 2016 and 2015, respectively, is recorded as part of interest expenses in the statements of profit or loss.

The maturity profile of the deposit on bills payable liabilities follows:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Within one year	P 71,895	P 66,713	P 53,549	P 50,604
One year to more than five years	13,739	10,523	12,546	9,786
Non-maturing	302,778	275,821	222,572	199,775
	P 388,412	P 353,077	P 288,667	P 260,165

Deposit liabilities, aside from LTNCDs, bear annual interest rates ranging from 0.24% to 1.77% in 2017, 0.13% to 1.38% in 2016, and 0.15% to 1.00% in 2015. Deposit liabilities are stated at amounts they are to be paid which approximate the market value.

Under existing BSP regulations, non-FCDO deposit liabilities, including tax exempt long-term Negotiable Certificate of Time Deposits, of the Parent Company is subject to reserve requirement equivalent to 20% in 2017 and 2016, while RSB and Rizal Microbank are subject to reserve requirement equivalent to 8% in 2017 and 2016. Peso-denominated LTNCDs of the Parent Company are subject to reserve requirement equivalent to 6% in 2017 and 2016.

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Group is in compliance with such regulatory reserve requirements.

Under BSP Circular No. 753, cash in vault and regular reserve deposit accounts with BSP are excluded as eligible forms of compliance for the reserve requirements. The required reserve shall only be kept in the form of demand deposit accounts with the BSP. Available reserves consist of Due from BSP amounting to P55,386 and P54,069 for the Group and P46,986 and P38,071 for the Parent Company as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively (see Note 9).

18. **BILLS PAYABLE**

This account consists of borrowings from:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Foreign banks	P 33,102	P 26,985	P 33,102	P 26,985
Local banks	10,862	10,548	3,493	4,723
Others	3	110	3	4
	P 43,967	P 37,643	P 36,600	P 31,712

The maturity profile of bills payable follows:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Within one year	P 33,841	P 15,180	P 29,913	P 10,749
Beyond one year but within five years	6,379	20,970	5,185	19,470
More than five years	3,747	1,493	1,500	1,493
	P 43,967	P 37,643	P 36,600	P 31,712

Borrowings from foreign and local banks are subject to annual fixed interest rates as follows:

	2017	2016	2015
Group			
Peso denominated	1.06% - 4.50%	0.88% - 2.98%	0.10% - 2.91%
Foreign currency denominated	1.06% - 3.46%	0.10% - 2.86%	0.02% - 2.67%
Parent Company			
Foreign currency denominated	1.06% - 3.46%	0.10% - 2.86%	0.02% - 2.67%

The total interest expense incurred by the Group on the bills payable amounted to P891 in 2017, P931 in 2016, and P302 in 2015.

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, certain bills payable availed under repurchase agreements are secured by the Group's and Parent Company's investment securities (see Note 10.3).

19. BONDS PAYABLE

The composition of this account for the Group and the Parent Company follows:

Issuance Date	Maturity Date	Coupon Interest	Face Value (in millions)	Outstanding Balance	
				2017	2016
November 3, 2015	February 2, 2021	3.45%	\$ 320	P 15,977	P 15,869
January 21, 2015	January 22, 2020	4.25%	243	12,083	12,031
January 30, 2012	January 31, 2017	5.25%	275	..	13,673
			<u>\$ 838</u>	<u>P 28,060</u>	<u>P 21,573</u>

In November 2015, the Parent Company issued unsecured US\$ denominated Senior Notes with principal amount of US\$320 bearing an interest of 3.45% per annum, payable semi-annually in arrears every May 2 and November 2 of each year. The Senior Notes, unless redeemed, will mature on February 2, 2021. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the peso equivalent of this outstanding bond issue amounted to P15,977 and P15,869, respectively.

In January 2015, the Parent Company issued unsecured US\$ denominated Senior Notes with principal amount of US\$243 bearing an interest of 4.25% per annum, payable semi-annually in arrears every January 21 and July 21 of each year, which commenced on July 21, 2015. The Senior Notes, unless redeemed, will mature on January 22, 2020. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the peso equivalent of this outstanding bond issue amounted to P12,083 and P12,031, respectively.

In January 2012, the Parent Company issued unsecured US\$ denominated Senior Notes with principal amount of US\$275 bearing an interest of 5.25% per annum, payable semi-annually in arrears every January 18 and July 18 of each year, which commenced on July 18, 2012. As of December 31, 2016, the peso equivalent of this outstanding bond issue amounted to P13,673. The Senior Notes matured on January 31, 2017.

The interest expense incurred on these bonds payable amounted to P1,155 in 2017, P1,715 in 2016, and P1,262 in 2015. The Group and Parent Company recognized foreign currency exchange losses related to these bonds payable amounting to P118 in 2017, P516 in 2016, and P24 in 2015, which are netted against foreign exchange gains presented under Other Operating Income account in the statements of profit or loss.

20. SUBORDINATED DEBT

On June 27, 2014, the Parent Company issued P7 billion Basel III-compliant Tier 2 Capital Notes (the "Tier 2 Notes") which shall be part of the Group's regulatory capital compliance in accordance with Basel III capital guidelines of the BSP. The Parent Company re-opened the Tier 2 Notes and issued an additional P3 billion of the Notes on September 5, 2014, which constituted a further issuance of, and formed a single series with the existing P7,000 Tier 2 Notes. The significant terms and conditions of the Tier 2 Notes with an aggregate issue amount of P10,000, are as follows:

- (a) The Tier 2 Notes shall mature on September 27, 2024, provided that they are not redeemed at an earlier date.
- (b) Subject to satisfaction of certain regulatory approval requirements, the Parent Company may, on September 26, 2019, and on any Interest Payment Date thereafter, redeem all of the outstanding Tier 2 Notes at redemption price equal to 100% of its face value together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon. The terms and conditions of the Tier 2 Notes also allow for early redemption upon the occurrence of a Tax Redemption Event or a Regulatory Redemption Event.
- (c) The Tier 2 Notes shall initially bear interest at the rate of 5.375% per annum from and including June 27, 2014 to but excluding September 27, 2019 and shall be payable quarterly in arrears at the end of each interest period on March 27, June 27, September 27 and December 27 of each year.
- (d) Unless the Tier 2 Notes are previously redeemed, the initial interest rate will be reset on September 26, 2019 at the equivalent of the five-year PDST-R2 or the relevant five-year benchmark plus the initial spread of 1.93% per annum. Such reset interest shall be payable quarterly in arrears commencing on September 27, 2019 up to and including September 27, 2024, if not otherwise redeemed earlier.
- (e) The Tier 2 Notes have a loss absorption feature which means the notes are subject to a Non-Viability Write-Down in case of the occurrence of a Non-Viability Event, subject to certain conditions as set out in the terms and conditions of the notes, when the Issuer is considered non-viable as determined by the BSP. Non-Viability is defined as a deviation from a certain level of CET1 ratio or the inability of the Issuer to continue business (closure) or any other event as determined by the BSP, whichever comes earlier. Upon the occurrence of a Non-Viability Event, the Issuer shall write-down the principal amount of the notes to the extent required by the BSP, which could go as low as zero. A Non-Viability Write-Down shall have the following effects:
 - (i) it shall reduce the claim on the notes in liquidation;
 - (ii) reduce the amount re-paid when a call or redemption is properly exercised; and,
 - (iii) partially or fully reduce the interest payments on the notes.

The total interest expense incurred by the Group and Parent Company on the notes amounted to P554 in 2017, P553 in 2016, and P552 in 2015.

21. ACCRUED INTEREST, TAXES AND OTHER EXPENSES

The composition of this account follows

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Accrued expenses	P 2,809	P 3,321	P 2,171	P 2,492
Accrued interest	1,120	1,363	838	1,023
Taxes payable	256	239	202	113
	P 4,185	P 4,923	P 3,211	P 3,628

Accrued expenses represent mainly the accruals for utilities, employee benefits and other operating expenses. Accrued interest primarily includes unpaid interest on deposit liabilities, bills payable, bonds payable and subordinated debt at the end of each reporting period.

22. OTHER LIABILITIES

Other liabilities consist of the following:

	Notes	Group		Parent Company	
		2017	2016	2017	2016
Accounts payable	29.5(a), 28.5(c)	P 6,451	P 5,210	P 3,735	P 3,049
Manager's checks		1,575	1,108	835	586
Bills purchased -- contra		1,079	721	1,074	718
Derivative financial liabilities	10.1	483	385	483	385
Outstanding acceptances payable		405	822	405	822
Other credits		370	342	232	232
Deposit on lease contracts		342	167	-	-
Withholding taxes payable		243	205	143	142
Payment orders payable		193	167	181	144
Sundry credits		121	82	86	80
Post-employment defined benefit obligation	24.2	111	1,715	33	1,557
Guaranty deposits		62	58	62	58
Due to BSP		39	33	39	30
Miscellaneous		895	225	816	845
		P 12,369	P 11,970	P 6,134	P 6,689

Accounts payable is mainly composed of prepaid card balances of customers, settlement billing from credit card operations and the Group's expenditure purchases which are to be settled within the next reporting period.

Miscellaneous liabilities include Pag-ibig, SSS and PhilHealth premiums, and other amounts due to local banks.

23. EQUITY

23.1 Capital Stock

The movements in the outstanding capital stock of the Parent Company are as follows:

	Number of Shares		
	2017	2016	2015
Preferred stock – voting, non-cumulative non-redeemable, participating, convertible into common stock P10 par value Authorized – 200,000,000 shares			
Balance at beginning of year	293,987	310,145	338,291
Conversion of shares during the year	(17,142)	(16,582)	(28,146)
Balance at end of year	<u>276,845</u>	<u>293,563</u>	<u>310,145</u>
Common stock – P10 par value Authorized – 1,400,000,000 shares			
Balance at beginning of year	1,399,912,464	1,399,908,746	1,275,659,728
Conversion of shares during the year	3,900	3,728	6,746
Issuances during the year	-	-	124,212,272
Balance at end of year	<u>1,399,916,364</u>	<u>1,399,912,464</u>	<u>1,399,908,746</u>

On November 27, 2017, the BOD of the Parent Company approved the increase in the Parent Company's authorized capital through the increase in the authorized common shares from 1,400,000,000 shares to 2,600,000,000 shares at P10 par value per share or for a total of capital stock of P14,000 to P26,000. The BOD also approved the amendment of the Parent Company's Articles of Incorporation for the principal purpose of reflecting the said increase in authorized capital. These resolutions were approved by the Parent Company's stockholders representing at least two-thirds of its outstanding capital stock in a special meeting held on January 29, 2018. In the same meeting, the Parent Company's BOD approved the stock rights offering (Rights Offer) which will be subscribed out of the increase in the authorized capital. Subject to the relevant regulatory approvals and market condition, the Rights Offer aims to raise up to P15,000 fresh Common Equity Tier-1 capital for the Parent Company.

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, there are 758 and 779 holders, respectively, of the Parent Company's listed shares holding an equivalent of 100.00% of the Parent Company's total issued and outstanding shares. Such listed shares closed at P55.35 per share and P33.55 per share as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

In 1986, the Parent Company listed its common shares with the PSE. The historical information on the Parent Company's issuance of common shares arising from the initial and subsequent public offerings, including private placements is presented below.

<u>Issuance</u>	<u>Subscriber</u>	<u>Issuance Date</u>	<u>Number of Shares Issued</u>
Initial public offering	Various	November 1986	1,410,579
Stock rights offering	Various	April 1997	44,492,908
Stock rights offering	Various	July 1997	5,508,721
Stock rights offering	Various	August 1997	830,345
Stock rights offering	Various	January 2002	167,655,982
Stock rights offering	Various	June 2002	32,964,018
Follow-on offering	Various	March 2007	210,000,000
Private placement	International Finance Corporation (IFC)	March 2011	73,448,275
Private placement	Hexagon Investments B.V	September 2011	126,551,775
Private placement	PMMIC	March 2013	63,650,000
Private placement	IFC Capitalization Fund	April 2013	71,151,505
Private placement	Cathay Life Insurance Corp	April 2013	134,242,272

On May 29, 2006, the Parent Company's stockholders approved the issuance of up to 200,000,000 convertible preferred shares with a par value of P10 per share, subject to the approval, among others, by the PSE. The purpose of the issuance of the convertible preferred shares is to raise the Tier 1 capital pursuant to BSP regulations, thereby strengthening the capital base of the Parent Company and allowing it to expand its operations. On February 13, 2007, the PSE approved the listing application of the underlying common shares for the 105,000 convertible preferred shares, subject to the compliance of certain conditions of the PSE. Preferred shares have the following features.

- Entitled to dividends at floating rate equivalent to the three-months London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) plus a spread of 2.0% per annum, calculated quarterly;
- Convertible to common shares at any time after the issue date at the option of the Parent Company at a conversion price using the adjusted net book value per share of the Parent Company based on the latest available financial statements prepared in accordance with PFRS, adjusted by local regulations;
- Non-redeemable; and,
- Participating as to dividends on a pro rata basis with the common stockholders in the surplus of the Parent Company after dividend payments had been made to the preferred shareholders.

On June 28, 2010, the Parent Company's stockholders owning or representing more than two-thirds of the outstanding capital stock confirmed and ratified the approval by the majority of the BOD on their Executive Session held on May 21, 2010, the proposed increase in Parent Company's authorized capital stock and removal of pre-emptive rights from holders of capital stock, whether common or preferred, to subscribe for or to purchase any shares of stock of any class, by amending the Parent Company's Articles of Incorporation.

The proposed P16,000 authorized capital stock is divided into the following classes of stocks:

- 1,400,000,000 common shares with a par value of ten pesos (P10.00) per share.
- 200,000,000 preferred shares with a par value of ten pesos (P10.00) per share.

The removal of pre-emptive rights was approved by the BSP and SEC on October 20, 2010 and November 4, 2010, respectively. On the other hand, the increase in authorized capital stock of the Parent Company was approved by the BSP and SEC on August 24, 2011 and September 16, 2011, respectively.

Common shares may be transferred to local and foreign nationals and shall, at all times, not be less than 60% and not more than 40% of the voting stock, be beneficially owned by local nationals and by foreign nationals, respectively.

23.2 Purchase and Reissuance of Treasury Shares and Issuance of Common Shares

On March 17, 2011, the Parent Company issued 73,448,275 common shares, comprising of 50,427,931 treasury shares reissuance (with total cost of P771) and 23,020,344 unissued stock (with total par value of P230), to IFC Capitalization Fund for a total consideration of P2,130 representing 7.20% ownership interest. The issuance resulted in the recognition of additional Capital Paid in Excess of Par amounting to P1,078.

Also, on September 23, 2011, the Parent Company issued 5,821,548 common shares (equivalent of 18,082,311 preferred shares and with total par value of P58) from the treasury account reissuance (with total cost of P182) and an additional 120,730,177 common stock (with total par value of P1,207) from unissued portion of the increase in authorized capital stock on September 23, 2011 to Hexagon Investments B.V. that is equivalent to approximately 15.00% of the outstanding common shares. The issuance resulted in the recognition of additional Capital Paid in Excess of Par amounting to P2,264.

In 2013, the Parent Company issued common shares to PMMIC and IFC Capitalization Fund at P64 and P58 per share for a total issue price of P4,074 and P4,127, respectively. These issuances resulted in the recognition of Capital Paid in Excess of Par amounting to P3,437 and P3,415, respectively, reduced by total issuance costs of P101.

In 2015, the Parent Company issued common shares to Cathay Life Insurance Corporation at P64 per share for a total issue price of P7,951. This issuance resulted in the recognition of Capital Paid in Excess of Par amounting to P6,709 reduced by the total issuance cost of P222. The acquisition involves Cathay: (i) acquiring from Hexagon Investments B.V., an entity controlled by funds managed by CVC Asia Pacific Limited, 118,935,590 secondary shares at P64 per share, pursuant to a Sale and Purchase Agreement; (ii) acquiring 36,724,138 secondary common shares from IFC Capitalization Fund also at P64 per share, pursuant to a Sale and Purchase Agreement, and, (iv) entering into a shareholders agreement with PMMIC and the Parent Company.

23.3 Surplus and Dividend Declarations

The details of the cash dividend distributions follow:

Date Declared	Dividend		Record Date	Date Approved		Time Paid/Expiry
	Per Share	Total Amount		by BOD	by BSP*	
October 27, 2014	0.0564	0.02	December 21, 2014	October 27, 2014	November 19, 2014	January 26, 2015
October 27, 2014	-	221.57	-	October 27, 2014	March 20, 2015	April 21, 2015
January 21, 2015	0.0564	0.02	March 21, 2015	January 26, 2015	March 20, 2015	March 27, 2015
March 30, 2015	0.0601	833.95	May 15, 2015	March 30, 2015	May 15, 2015	June 3, 2015
March 30, 2015	0.0601	0.19	May 15, 2015	March 30, 2015	May 15, 2015	June 3, 2015
April 27, 2015	0.0557	0.01	June 21, 2015	April 27, 2015	September 11, 2015	September 22, 2015
July 27, 2015	0.0581	0.02	September 21, 2015	July 27, 2015	September 11, 2015	September 24, 2015
November 4, 2015	0.0593	0.07	December 21, 2015	November 4, 2015	-	December 22, 2015
January 25, 2016	0.0495	0.02	March 21, 2016	January 25, 2016	-	March 23, 2016
April 25, 2016	0.0600	0.02	June 21, 2016	April 25, 2016	June 16, 2017	June 21, 2016
April 25, 2016	0.1207	1,401.94	June 30, 2016	April 25, 2016	June 16, 2016	July 18, 2016
April 25, 2016	0.0200	0.21	June 30, 2016	April 25, 2016	June 16, 2016	July 18, 2016
July 25, 2016	0.0674	0.02	September 21, 2016	July 25, 2016	September 16, 2016	October 31, 2016
November 2, 2016	0.0724	0.02	December 21, 2016	November 2, 2016	January 11, 2017	January 17, 2017
January 30, 2017	0.0749	0.02	March 21, 2017	January 30, 2017	March 22, 2017	March 24, 2017
April 24, 2017	0.0905	0.02	June 21, 2017	April 24, 2017	April 26, 2017	June 27, 2017
April 24, 2017	0.5520	72.75	April 27, 2017	April 24, 2017	April 26, 2017	May 25, 2017
April 24, 2017	0.5520	0.15	April 27, 2017	April 24, 2017	April 26, 2017	May 25, 2017
July 11, 2017	0.0640	0.02	September 21, 2017	July 11, 2017	September 5, 2017	September 22, 2017
October 30, 2017	0.0640	0.02	December 21, 2017	October 30, 2017	December 12, 2017	December 22, 2017

* Figures in cash dividend are hybrid perpetual conversion

** Not applicable. BSP approval not required during these periods

In 2015, the BSP, through the Monetary Board, approved the liberalized rules for banks and quasi-banks on dividend declaration. The policy requires that dividend declaration be immediately recognized as a liability and that it be disclosed in the statement of changes in equity.

A portion of the Parent Company's surplus corresponding to the equity in net earnings of certain subsidiaries and associates totalling P9,839 and P8,539 as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, is not currently available for distribution as dividends.

23.4 Other Reserves

On December 23, 2013, the SPCs' BOD approved the redemption of the SPCs' respective preferred shares for a total consideration of P1,555. As a result thereof, the Group incurred a redemption loss amounting to P185 and is presented as part of Other Reserves account in the 2013 statement of financial position. On May 30, 2014 and on October 16, 2014, the BOD and SEC approved the execution of the retirement of the preferred shares resulting from the SPC's redemption on December 31, 2014. Consequently, the amount of the redemption loss of P185 previously recognized in the 2013 consolidated statement of changes in equity of the Group, as part Other Reserves account, was transferred directly to Surplus (see Note 15.1).

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, this account consists of reserves arising from the acquisition of RCBC LFC and Rizal Microbank for a total of P97 and P86, respectively.

23.5 Hybrid Perpetual Securities

On October 30, 2006, the Parent Company received the proceeds from the issuance of Non-Cumulative Step-Up Callable Perpetual Securities ("Perpetual Securities") amounting to US\$98 million, net of fees and other charges. Net proceeds were used to strengthen the CAE of the Parent Company, repay certain indebtedness and enhance its financial stability and for general corporate purposes. The issuance of the Perpetual Securities was approved by the BOD on June 7, 2006.

The Perpetual Securities represent US\$100 million, 9.875%, non-cumulative step-up callable perpetual securities issued pursuant to a trust deed dated October 27, 2006 between the Parent Company and Bank of New York - London Branch, each with a liquidation preference of US\$1 thousand per US\$1 thousand in principal amount of the Perpetual Securities. The actual listing and quotation of the Perpetual Securities in a minimum board lot size of US\$1 hundred in the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST") was done on November 1, 2006. The Perpetual Securities were issued pursuant to BSP Circular No. 503 dated December 22, 2005 allowing the issuance of perpetual, non-cumulative securities up to US\$125 million which are eligible to qualify as Hybrid Tier 1 Capital.

The significant terms and conditions of the issuance of the Perpetual Securities, among others, follow:

- (a) Interest (effectively dividends) will be paid from and including October 27, 2006 (the "issue date") to (but excluding) October 27, 2016 (the "First Optional Redemption Date") at a rate of 9.875% per annum payable semi-annually in arrears from April 27, 2007 and, thereafter at a rate reset and payable quarterly in arrears, of 7.02% per annum above the then prevailing LIBOR for three-month US dollar deposits;
- (b) Except as described below, interest (dividends) will be payable on April 27 and October 27 in each year, commencing on April 27, 2007 and ending on the First Optional Redemption Date, and thereafter (subject to adjustment for days which are not business days) on January 27, April 27, July 27, October 27 in each year commencing on January 27, 2016;
- (c) The Parent Company may, in its absolute discretion, elect not to make any interest (dividends) payment in whole or in part if the Parent Company has not paid or declared a dividend on its common stocks in the preceding financial year; or determines that no dividend is to be paid on such stocks in the current financial year. Actual payments of interest (dividends) on the hybrid perpetual securities are shown in Note 23.3;
- (d) The rights and claims of the holders will be subordinated to the claims of all senior creditors (as defined in the conditions) and the holders of any priority preference stocks (as defined in the conditions), in that payments in respect of the securities are conditional upon the Parent Company being solvent at the time of payment and in that no payments shall be due except to the extent the Parent Company could make such payments and still be solvent immediately thereafter;
- (e) The Perpetual Securities are not deposits of the Parent Company and are not guaranteed or insured by the Parent Company or any party related to the Parent Company or the Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation (PDIC) and they may not be used as collateral for any loan made by the Parent Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates;

- (f) The Parent Company undertakes that, if on any Interest Payment Date, payment of all Interest Payments scheduled to be made on such date is not made in full, it shall not declare or pay any distribution or dividend or make any other payment on, any junior share capital or any parity security, and it shall not redeem, repurchase, cancel, reduce or otherwise acquire any junior share capital or any parity securities, other than in the case of any partial interest payment, pro rata payments on, or redemptions of, parity securities the dividend and capital stopper shall remain in force so as to prevent the Parent Company from undertaking any such declaration, payment or other activity as aforesaid unless and until a payment is made to the holders in an amount equal to the unpaid amount (if any) of interest payments in respect of interest periods in the twelve months including and immediately preceding the date such interest payment was due and the BSP does not otherwise object; and,
- (g) The Parent Company, at its option, may redeem the Perpetual Securities at the fixed or final redemption date although the Parent Company may, having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee, the Registrar, the Principal Paying Agent and the Holders, redeem all (but not some only) of the securities: (i) on the first optional redemption date; and, (ii) on each interest payment date thereafter, at an amount equal to the liquidation preference plus accrued interest.

On March 30, 2015, the Parent Company's BOD approved the redemption of its hybrid perpetual securities at a premium amounting to P723 million.

23.6 Revaluation Reserves

The components and reconciliation of items of other comprehensive income presented in the statements of changes in equity at their aggregate amount under Revaluation Reserves account are shown below

	Group			
	Revaluation of Financial Assets at FVOCI	Accumulated Translation Adjustments on Foreign Operations	Actuarial Gains (Losses) on Defined Retirement	Total
Balance as of January 1, 2017	P 2,128	P 86	(P 1,553)	P 661
Actuarial gains on defined benefit plan			1,514	1,514
Fair value gains on financial assets at FVOCI	(156)			(156)
Translation adjustments on foreign operation		(1)		(1)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(156)	(1)	1,514	1,357
Transfer from fair value gains on financial assets at FVOCI to Surplus	(1)			(1)
Balance as of December 31, 2017	P 1,968	P 85	(P 79)	P 1,974

	Group			
	Revaluation of Financial Assets at FVOCI	Accumulated Translation Adjustments on Foreign Operations	Actuarial Gains (Losses) on Defined Benefit Plan	Total
Balance as of January 1, 2016	P 689	P 61	(P 1,568)	(P 818)
Fair value gains on financial assets at FVOCI	1,442	-	-	1,442
Actuarial losses on defined benefit plan	-	-	(325)	(325)
Translation adjustments on foreign operation	-	25	-	25
Other comprehensive income (loss)	1,442	25	(325)	1,142
Transfer from fair value gains on financial asset at FVOCI to Surplus	(3)	-	-	(3)
Balance as of December 31, 2016	P 2,128	P 86	(P 1,893)	P 321
Balance at January 1, 2015	P 845	P 71	(P 924)	P 682
Actuarial losses on defined benefit plan	-	-	(1,044)	(1,044)
Fair value losses on financial assets at FVOCI	(143)	-	-	(143)
Translation adjustments on foreign operation	-	(10)	-	(10)
Other comprehensive loss	(143)	(10)	(1,044)	(1,222)
Transfer from fair value gains on financial asset at FVOCI to Surplus	(3)	-	-	(3)
Balance as of December 31, 2015	P 689	P 61	(P 1,268)	(P 518)

	Parent Company			
	Revaluation of Financial Assets at FVOCI	Accumulated Translation Adjustments on Foreign Operations	Actuarial Gains (Losses) on Defined Benefit Plan	Total
Balance as of January 1, 2017	P 2,029	P 86	(P 1,480)	P 635
Actuarial gains on defined benefit plan	-	-	1,511	1,511
Fair value gains on financial assets at FVOCI	(156)	-	-	(156)
Translation adjustments on foreign operation	-	(1)	-	(1)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(156)	(1)	1,511	1,354
Transfer from fair value gains on financial asset at FVOCI to Surplus	(4)	-	-	(4)
Balance as of December 31, 2017	P 1,869	P 85	P 29	P 1,974
Balance as of January 1, 2016	P 581	P 62	(P 1,160)	(P 517)
Fair value gains on financial assets at FVOCI	1,442	-	-	1,442
Actuarial losses on defined benefit plan	-	-	(325)	(325)
Translation adjustments on foreign operation	-	25	-	25
Other comprehensive income (loss)	1,442	25	(325)	1,142
Transfer from fair value gains on financial asset at FVOCI to Surplus	(3)	-	-	(3)
Balance as of December 31, 2016	P 2,029	P 86	(P 1,463)	P 652

	Parent Company			
	Revaluation of Financial Assets at FVOCI	Accumulated Transition Adjustments on Foreign Operations	Actuarial Losses Classified on Defined Benefits Plan	Total
Balance at January 1, 2015	P 127	P 11	P 116	P 682
Actual loss on defined benefit plan	-	-	(1,044)	(1,044)
Fair value losses on financial assets at FVOCI	(143)	-	-	(143)
Transition adjustments on foreign operation	-	(10)	-	(10)
Other comprehensive loss	(443)	(10)	(1,044)	(1,197)
Transfer from fair value gain on financial asset at FVOCI to Surplus	(3)	-	-	(3)
Balance as of December 31, 2015	P 521	P 61	P 1,190	P 518

24. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

24.1 Salaries and Employee Benefits Expense

Expenses recognized for salaries and other employee benefits are shown below.

	Group		
	2017	2016	2015
Short-term employee benefits	P 5,663	P 5,059	P 4,370
Post-employment defined benefits	374	369	361
	P 6,037	P 5,408	P 4,731
	Parent Company		
	2017	2016	2015
Short-term employee benefits	P 3,904	P 3,386	P 2,924
Post-employment defined benefits	307	280	206
	P 4,211	P 3,666	P 3,130

24.2 Post-employment Defined Benefit Plan

(a) Characteristics of the Defined Benefit Plan

The Parent Company and certain subsidiaries maintain a funded, tax-qualified, non-contributory post-employment benefit plan that is being administered by the Parent Company's and RSB's Trust Departments, covering all regular full-time employees. The Parent Company's and RSB's Trust Departments manage the fund in coordination with the Parent Company's Retirement Committee, Trust Committee and the respective committees of the subsidiaries which act in the best interest of the plan assets and are responsible for setting the investment policies.

The normal retirement age of the Group's employees ranges between 55 to 60 but the plan also provides for an early retirement at age 50 to 55 with a minimum of 10 to 20 years of credited service. The maximum retirement benefit is the lump sum equivalent to 1.25 to 2 months pay per year of continuous employment based on the employees' salary at retirement. Any fraction of a year shall be computed proportionately.

(b) *Explanation of Amounts Presented in the Financial Statements:*

Actuarial valuations are made annually to update the post-employment benefit costs and the amount of contributions. All amounts presented below are based on the actuarial valuation reports obtained from independent actuaries in 2017 and 2016.

The amounts of post-employment benefit obligation recognized in the financial statements are determined as follows:

	<u>Group</u>		<u>Parent Company</u>	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Present value of the obligation	P 4,995	P 4,953	P 4,126	P 4,156
Fair value of plan assets	(4,891)	(3,218)	(4,100)	(2,599)
Effect of asset ceiling test	-	-	-	-
Deficiency of plan assets	P 111	P 1,735	P 35	P 1,557

The Group's and Parent Company's post-employment defined benefit obligation as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 are included as part of Other Liabilities account in the statements of financial position (see Note 22)

The movements in the present value of the defined benefit obligation follow:

	<u>Group</u>		<u>Parent Company</u>	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Balance at beginning of year	P 4,953	P 4,859	P 4,156	P 4,037
Current service cost	374	369	307	280
Interest expense	274	241	250	208
Remeasurements – actuarial losses (gains) arising from changes in:				
financial assumptions	(230)	(73)	(206)	(63)
– experience adjustments	(113)	2	(125)	18
– demographic assumptions	-	(6)	-	-
Benefits paid by the plan	(263)	(139)	(236)	(324)
Balance at end of year	P 4,995	P 4,953	P 4,126	P 4,156

The movements in the fair value of plan assets are presented below

	<u>Group</u>		<u>Parent Company</u>	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Balance at beginning of year	P 3,218	P 3,585	P 2,599	P 2,898
Interest income	186	179	149	148
Return on plan assets (excluding amounts included in net interest)	1,174	(402)	1,167	(394)
Contributions paid into the plan	576	295	421	271
Benefits paid by the plan	(263)	(432)	(236)	(324)
Balance at end of year	P 4,891	P 3,218	P 4,100	P 2,599

The composition of the fair value of plan assets at the end of each reporting period by category and risk characteristics is shown below:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Cash and cash equivalents	P 402	P 226	P 311	P 72
Debt securities				
Corporate debt securities	299	291	-	51
Government bonds	127	114	4	4
Equity securities:				
Quoted equity securities				
Financial intermediaries	3,354	1,900	3,124	1,900
Transportation and communication	208	194	208	192
Electricity, gas and water	170	119	169	115
Diversified holding companies	26	31	22	15
Others	22	58	1	1
Unquoted long-term equity investments	169	171	169	168
UITF	107	94	85	76
Investment properties	6	4	6	4
Loans and receivables	1	15	1	-
Other investments	-	1	-	-
	P 4,891	P 3,218	P 4,100	P 2,599

The fair values of the above debt securities and quoted equity securities are determined based on market prices in active markets. Long-term equity investments represent investment in corporations not listed in active and organized markets. Fair values are determined based on the book value per share based on latest audited financial statements of the investee company. The fair value of the UITF is determined based on the net asset value per unit of investment held in the fund.

The fair value of the plan assets is at Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy except for unquoted long-term equity investments, loans and receivables, investment properties and other investments which are at Level 3.

The returns on plan assets are as follows:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Fair value gains (losses)	P 1,157	(P 402)	P 1,167	(P 394)
Interest income	186	129	149	148
Actual returns	P 1,343	(P 273)	P 1,316	(P 246)

The amounts of post-employment benefit expense recognized in the statements of profit or loss and in other comprehensive income in respect of the defined benefit post-employment plan are determined as follows:

	Group		
	2017	2016	2015
Reported in profit or loss			
Current service cost	P 374	P 369	P 361
Net interest expense (income)	88	62	(51)
	P 462	P 431	P 310

	<u>Group</u>		
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
<i>Reported in other comprehensive income:</i>			
<i>Actuarial gains (losses) arising from changes in:</i>			
Financial assumptions	P 230	P 73	P 73
Experience adjustments	113	(2)	(127)
Demographic assumptions	-	6	32
Effect of asset ceiling test	(7)	-	-
Return on plan assets (excluding amounts included in net interest)	<u>1,174</u>	<u>(402)</u>	<u>(1,013)</u>
	<u>P 1,510</u>	<u>(P 325)</u>	<u>(P 1,045)</u>
 <u>Parent Company</u>			
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
<i>Reported in profit or loss:</i>			
Current service costs	P 307	P 280	P 266
Net interest expense	<u>81</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>5</u>
	<u>P 388</u>	<u>P 340</u>	<u>P 271</u>
 <i>Reported in other comprehensive income:</i>			
<i>Actuarial gains (losses) arising from changes in:</i>			
Financial assumptions	P 206	P 63	P 68
Experience adjustments	125	(18)	(57)
Effect of asset ceiling	(7)	-	-
Return on plan assets (excluding amounts included in net interest)	<u>1,167</u>	<u>(394)</u>	<u>(928)</u>
	<u>P 1,491</u>	<u>(P 349)</u>	<u>(P 287)</u>

Current service costs, including the effect of curtailment and past service cost, form part of Employee Benefits under the Other Operating Expenses account, while net interest expense or income is presented as part of Interest Expense – Bills Payable and Other Borrowings or Interest Income Others in the statements of profit or loss.

Amounts recognized in other comprehensive income were included within items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss.

In determining the amounts of post employment obligation, the following ranges of actuarial assumptions were used:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
<u>Group</u>			
Discount rates	5.48% - 6.00%	5.02% - 5.60%	5.05% - 5.15%
Expected rate of salary increases	4.00% - 8.00%	3.00% - 11.00%	5.80% - 10.00%
 <u>Parent Company</u>			
Discount rates	6.00%	5.53%	5.15%
Expected rate of salary increases	5.00%	5.60%	5.00%

Assumptions regarding future mortality are based on published statistics and mortality tables. The average life expectancy of an individual retiring at the Group's normal retiring age of 60 is based on the 1994 GAM table, set back six years for females. These assumptions were developed by management with the assistance of an independent actuary. Discount factors are determined close to the end of each reporting period by reference to the interest rates of zero coupon government bonds with terms to maturity approximating to the terms of the post-employment obligation. Other assumptions are based on current actuarial benchmarks and management's historical experience.

(c) Risks Associated with the Retirement Plan

The plan exposes the Group to actuarial risks such as investment risk, interest rate risk, longevity risk and salary risk.

(i) Investment and Interest Rate Risks

The present value of the defined benefit obligation is calculated using a discount rate determined by reference to market yields of government bonds. Generally, a decrease in the interest rate of a reference government bonds will increase the plan obligation. However, this will be partially offset by an increase in the return on the plan's investments in debt securities and if the return on plan asset falls below this rate, it will create a deficit in the plan.

Currently, the plan assets of the Group are significantly invested in equity and debt securities, while the Group also invests in cash and cash equivalents and other investments. Due to the long-term nature of the plan obligation, a level of continuing equity investments is an appropriate element of the Group's long term strategy to manage the plan efficiently.

(ii) Longevity and Salary Risks

The present value of the defined benefit obligation is calculated by reference to the best estimate of the mortality of the plan participants during their employment, and to their future salaries. Consequently, increases in the life expectancy and salary of the plan participants will result in an increase in the plan obligation.

(d) Other Information

The information on the sensitivity analysis for certain significant actuarial assumptions, the Group's asset-liability matching strategy, and the timing and uncertainty of future cash flows related to the post-employment plan are described in the succeeding pages.

(i) *Sensitivity Analysis*

The following table summarizes the effects of changes in the significant actuarial assumptions used in the determination of the defined benefit obligation as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

	Group			
	Impact on Post-employment Defined Benefit Obligation			
	<u>Change in Assumption</u>	<u>Increase in Assumption</u>	<u>Decrease in Assumption</u>	
2017:				
Discount rate	+/- 1 %	(P 323)	P 403	
Salary growth rate	+/- 1 %	480	(388)	
2016:				
Discount rate	+/- 1%	(P 166)	P 92	
Salary growth rate	+/- 1%	186	(14)	
	Parent Company			
	Impact on Post-employment Defined Benefit Obligation			
	<u>Change in Assumption</u>	<u>Increase in Assumption</u>	<u>Decrease in Assumption</u>	
2017:				
Discount rate	+/- 1%	(P 391)	P 456	
Salary growth rate	+/- 1%	413	(363)	
2016:				
Discount rate	+/- 1%	(P 153)	P 172	
Salary growth rate	+/- 1%	147	(133)	

The sensitivity analysis is based on a change in an assumption while holding all other assumptions constant. This analysis may not be representative of the actual change in the defined benefit obligation as it is unlikely that the change in assumptions would occur in isolation of one another as some of the assumptions may be correlated. Furthermore, in presenting the sensitivity analysis, the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the end of each reporting period has been calculated using the projected unit credit method, which is the same as that applied in calculating the defined benefit obligation recognized in the statements of financial position.

(ii) *Asset Liability Matching Strategies*

To efficiently manage the retirement plan, the Group through its Retirement Plan Committee in coordination with the Group's Trust Departments, ensures that the investment positions are managed considering the computed retirement obligations under the retirement plan. This strategy aims to match the plan assets to the retirement obligations due by investing in assets that are easy to liquidate (i.e., government securities, corporate bonds, equities with high value turnover). As the Group's retirement obligations are in Philippine peso, all assets are invested in the same currency. The Group actively monitors how the duration and the expected yield of the investments are matching the expected cash outflows arising from the retirement obligations. In view of this, various investments are made in a portfolio that may be liquidated within a reasonable period of time.

A large portion of the plan assets as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 consists of equity securities with the balance invested in fixed income securities and cash and cash equivalents. The Group believes that equity securities offer the best returns over the long term with an acceptable level of risk.

(iii) *Funding Arrangements and Expected Contributions*

The plan is currently underfunded by P111 and P33 for the Group and Parent Company, respectively, based on the latest funding actuarial valuations in 2017.

The maturity profile of undiscounted expected benefit payments from the plan within 10 years from the end of each reporting period follows:

	<u>Group</u>		<u>Parent Company</u>	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Less than one year	P 226	P 139	P 44	P 75
More than one year to five years	1,319	1,068	1,094	888
More than five years to ten years	<u>2,425</u>	<u>1,970</u>	<u>1,984</u>	<u>1,752</u>
	<u>P 3,970</u>	<u>P 3,177</u>	<u>P 3,122</u>	<u>P 2,715</u>

The Group and Parent Company expects to contribute P418 and P318, respectively, to the plan in 2018.

25. MISCELLANEOUS INCOME AND EXPENSES

These accounts consist of the following:

25.1 Miscellaneous Income

	Notes	Group		
		2017	2016	2015
Rentals	14.2	P 741	P 614	P 355
Gains on assets sold	11, 11.1,			
	15.1	441	120	281
Dividend income	10.2	234	449	237
Recoveries from written off assets		187	161	100
Others		290	251	171
		P 1,893	P 1,595	P 1,216
	Notes	Partial Company		
		2017	2016	2015
Rentals	14.2,			
	29.5(a)	P 419	P 407	P 375
Gains on assets sold	14.1	378	139	162
Dividend income	10.2	196	307	87
Others		136	231	215
		P 1,129	P 1,084	P 639

Miscellaneous income classified as Others includes rebates, penalty charges and other income that cannot be appropriately classified under any of the foregoing income accounts.

25.2 Miscellaneous Expenses

	Note	Group		
		2017	2016	2015
Credit card-related expenses		P 884	P 663	P 584
Insurance		759	738	656
Communication and information services		447	453	443
Management and other professional fees		368	408	529
Advertising and publicity		323	776	289
Transportation and travel		214	200	295
Banking fees		193	194	190
Stationery and office supplies		149	132	129
Other outside services		130	126	112
Donations and charitable contribution		51	38	61
Representation and entertainment		22	45	94
Litigation/assets acquired expenses		166	385	247
Membership fees		19	21	19
Others	29.6	1,153	1,783	1,027
		P 4,878	P 5,470	P 4,675

	Notes	Parent Company		
		2017	2016	2015
Credit card-related expenses		P 884	P 663	P 584
Insurance	28.5(c)	564	554	527
Service and processing fees		697	501	511
Communication and information services		326	281	258
Advertising and publicity		244	206	191
Management and other professional fees		188	217	175
Banking fees		148	111	141
Other outside services		115	113	100
Transportation and travel		110	93	159
Stationery and office supplies		92	86	81
Donations and charitable contributions		51	35	50
Litigation/assets acquired expense		50	181	81
Representation and entertainment		22	13	41
Membership fees		19	18	25
Others	29.6	543	1,411	426
		<u>P 4,035</u>	<u>P 4,559</u>	<u>P 3,396</u>

The Group's other expenses are composed of freight, employee activities expenses, fines and penalties, and seasonal giveaways. The Parent Company's other expenses also include fees for records, facilities and management services to a related party under common control amounting to P36, P35 and P53 in 2017, 2016 and 2015 respectively (see Note 28.5).

26. INCOME AND OTHER TAXES

Under Philippine tax laws, the Parent Company and its domestic subsidiaries are subject to percentage and other taxes (presented as Taxes and Licenses in the statements of profit or loss), as well as income taxes. Percentage and other taxes paid consist principally of the gross receipts tax (GRT) and documentary stamp tax (DST).

RA No. 9238, which was enacted on February 10, 2004, provides for the reimposition of GRT on banks and non-bank financial intermediaries performing quasi-banking functions and other non-bank financial intermediaries beginning January 1, 2004.

The recognition of liability of the Parent Company and certain subsidiaries for GRT is based on the related regulations issued by the tax authorities.

Income taxes include the regular corporate income tax (RCIT) of 30%, and final tax paid at the rate of 20%, which represents the final withholding tax on gross interest income from government securities and other deposit substitutes.

Interest allowed as a deductible expense is reduced by an amount equivalent to certain percentage of interest income subjected to final tax. Minimum corporate income tax (MCIT) of 2% on modified gross income is computed and compared with the RCIT. Any excess of the MCIT over the RCIT is deferred and can be used as a tax credit against regular income tax liability in the next three consecutive years. In addition, the Group's net operating loss carry over (NOLCO) is allowed as a deduction from taxable income in the next three consecutive years.

Effective May 2004, RA No. 9294 restored the tax exemption of FCDUs and offshore banking units (OBUs). Under such law, the income derived by the FCDU from foreign currency transactions with non residents, OBUs, local commercial banks including branches of foreign banks is tax-exempt while interest income on foreign currency loans from residents other than OBUs or other depository banks under the expanded system is subject to 10% gross income tax.

Interest income on deposits with other FCDUs and offshore banking units is subject to 7.5% final tax.

In 2017, 2016 and 2015, the Group opted to continue claiming itemized deductions for income tax purposes.

The Parent Company's foreign subsidiaries are subject to income and other taxes based on the enacted tax laws of the countries and/or jurisdictions where they operate.

26.1 Current and Deferred Taxes

The tax expense (income) as reported in the statements of profit or loss consists of

	Group		
	2017	2016	2015
Current tax expense:			
RCIT	P 711	P 414	P 459
Final tax	203	177	326
Excess MCIT over RCIT	2	122	46
	916	713	831
Application of MCIT	(356)	-	-
	560	713	831
Deferred tax expense (income) relating to origination and reversal of temporary differences	281	(955)	(1,138)
	P 841	P 174	P 307
	Parent Company		
	2017	2016	2015
Current tax expense:			
RCIT	P 563	P 140	P 161
Final tax	147	173	254
Excess MCIT over RCIT	-	129	46
	710	503	461
Application of MCIT	(356)	-	-
	354	503	461
Deferred tax expense (income) relating to origination and reversal of temporary differences	343	(842)	(943)
	P 697	P 330	P 18

A reconciliation of tax on pretax profit computed at the applicable statutory rates to tax expense (income) reported in profit or loss is as follows:

	Group			2015		
	2017		2016			
Tax on pretax profit at 30%	P	1,545	P	1,139	P	1,440
Adjustments for income subjected to lower income tax rates	(	434)	(	180)	(	142)
Tax effects of:						
Non-taxable income	(	786)	(	845)	(	539)
Non-deductible expenses		595		520		356
Recognition of previously unrecognized deferred tax asset	-		(	865)	(	992)
Utilization of MCET		356		-		-
PCDC income	(	306)	(	388)	(	125)
Unrecognized temporary differences	(	130)		97		129
Utilization of NOLCO		1		374	(	443)
Others	-			3		2
	P	841	(P	174)	(P	307)
	Parent Company			2015		
	2017		2016			
Tax on pretax profit at 30%	P	1,502	P	1,059	P	1,344
Adjustments for income subjected to lower income tax rates	(	384)	(	118)	(	108)
Tax effects of:						
Non-taxable income	(	899)	(	889)	(	548)
Non-deductible expenses		531		420		423
Recognition of previously unrecognized deferred tax asset	-		(	797)	(	992)
Utilization of MCET		356		-		-
PCDC income	(	275)	(	388)	(	125)
Unrecognized temporary differences	(	134)		-	(	202)
Utilization of NOLCO	-			374	(	463)
	P	697	(P	339)	(P	18)

The deferred tax assets of the Group recognized in the consolidated statements of financial position as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 relate to the operations of the Parent Company and certain subsidiaries as shown below:

	Statements of Financial Position		Statements of Profit or Loss		
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2015
Allowance for impairment	P 1,610	P 1,619	(P 9)	P 867	P 995
Provision for credit card reward payments	127	105	22	105	-
Excess NCIT	60	356	(296)	356	-
Post-employment benefit obligation	52	60	(8)	59	-
Deferred rent – PAS 17	30	17	13	16	-
NOLCO	-	-	-	(443)	443
Others	17	20	(3)	15	-
Deferred tax assets	P 1,896	P 2,177			
Deferred tax income (expense) – net			(P 281)	P 955	P 1,138

In 2015, the Parent Company recognized deferred tax asset amounting to P443 on a portion of its unutilized NOLCO amounting to P1,476. The total unutilized NOLCO amounted to P1,823 as of December 31, 2015. In 2016, the Parent Company utilized a portion of the remaining NOLCO amounting to P1,246, while the balance of P577 expired.

The deferred tax assets of the Parent Company recognized in its statements of financial position as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 is shown below.

	Statements of Financial Position		Statements of Profit or Loss		
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2015
Allowance for impairment	P 720	P 780	(P 60)	P 780	P -
Provision for credit card reward payments	127	105	22	105	-
Post-employment benefit obligation	52	18	34	18	-
Deferred rent – PAS 17	30	17	13	17	-
Excess MCIT	-	356	(356)	356	-
NOLCO	-	-	-	(443)	443
Others	13	2	4	2	-
Deferred tax assets	<u>P 942</u>	<u>P 1,265</u>			
Deferred tax income (expense) – net			<u>(P 343)</u>	<u>P 812</u>	<u>P 443</u>

The Parent Company and certain subsidiaries have not recognized deferred tax assets on certain temporary differences since management believes that the Parent Company and certain subsidiaries may not be able to generate sufficient taxable profit in the future against which the tax benefits arising from those deductible temporary differences, NOLCO and other tax credits can be utilized.

The unrecognized deferred tax assets relate to the following:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Allowance for impairment	P 925	P 2,169	P 763	P 629
Excess MCIT	60	6	-	-
NOLCO	51	77	-	-
Post-employment benefit obligation	24	476	-	440
Advance rental	1	2	-	-
	<u>P 1,061</u>	<u>P 2,730</u>	<u>P 763</u>	<u>P 1,075</u>

Consequently, deferred tax liabilities were also not recognized on certain taxable temporary differences as the settlement of those can be offset by the available deductible temporary differences in the future.

In addition, deferred tax liabilities on accumulated translation adjustments, relating to its foreign subsidiaries were not recognized since their reversal can be controlled, and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The details of the Group's NOLCO, which can be claimed as deduction from future taxable income within three years from the year the taxable loss was incurred and within five years from the year SPC losses were incurred, is shown below:

<u>Inception Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Utilized</u>	<u>Expired</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Expiry Year</u>
2016	P 190	P 20	P -	P 170	2019
2014	67	-	67	-	
	<u>P 257</u>	<u>P 20</u>	<u>P 67</u>	<u>P 170</u>	

The breakdown of the Group's excess MCIT over RCIT with the corresponding validity periods follows:

<u>Inception Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Utilized</u>	<u>Expired</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Expiry Year</u>
2017	P 56	P -	P -	P 56	2020
2016	194	190	-	4	2019
2015	46	46	-	-	
2014	122	120	2	-	
	<u>P 418</u>	<u>P 356</u>	<u>P 2</u>	<u>P 60</u>	

The P356 available MCIT applied by the Group in 2017 solely pertains to the MCIT of the Parent Company as it has generated net taxable income and is liable for RCIT for the year ended December 31, 2017.

26.2 Supplementary Information Required Under RR 15-2010 and RR 19-2011

The BIR issued RR 15-2010 and RR 19-2011 on November 25, 2010 and December 9, 2011, respectively, which require certain tax information to be disclosed as part of the notes to financial statements. Such supplementary information is, however, not a required part of the basic financial statements prepared in accordance with PFRS; it is neither a required disclosure under the SEC rules and regulations covering form and content of financial statements under the Securities Regulation Code Rule 68, as amended.

The Parent Company presented this tax information required by the BIR as a supplemental schedule filed separately from the basic financial statements.

27. TRUST OPERATIONS

Securities and properties (other than deposits) held by the Parent Company and RSB in fiduciary or agency capacities for their respective customers are not included in the financial statements, since these are not resources of the Parent Company and RSB. The Group's total trust resources amounted to P91,585 and P84,804 as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The Parent Company's total trust resources amounted to P64,395 and P61,260 as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively (see Note 29.1).

In connection with the trust operations of the Parent Company and RSB, time deposit placements and government securities with a total face value of P953 for the Group and P704 for the Parent Company were deposited with the BSP in 2016. On October 27, 2016, the BSP issued a memorandum notifying the approval of Monetary Board on the discontinuance of access of trust entities to the BSP deposit facilities effective on July 1, 2017. The BSP mandates that the BSP deposit facilities should serve as a monetary policy instrument for managing domestic liquidity in the financial system and these are not intended to become an investment outlet of banks and trust entities. Consequently, the Group has withdrawn all its outstanding deposits and placements with BSP in 2017.

In compliance with existing BSP regulations, 10% of the Parent Company's and RSB's profit from trust business is appropriated to surplus reserve. This annual appropriation is required until the surplus reserve for trust business equals 20% of the Parent Company's and RSB's regulatory capital. The surplus reserve is shown as Reserve for Trust Business in the statements of changes in equity.

The Group and the Parent Company transferred from Surplus to Reserve for Trust Business P21 and P16, respectively, in 2017; P27 and P22, respectively, in 2016, and, P22 and P15, respectively, in 2015.

28. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Group and Parent Company's related parties include its ultimate parent company, subsidiaries, entities under common ownership, key management personnel and others.

A summary of the Group's and Parent Company's transactions and outstanding balances of such transactions with related parties as at and for the year ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 is presented below:

	Notes	Group					
		2017		2016		2015	
		Amount of Transactions	Outstanding Balance	Amount of Transactions	Outstanding Balance	Amount of Transactions	Outstanding Balance
Stockholders							
Loans and receivables	28.1	(P' 55)	P' 316	(P' 551)	P' 321	(P' 557)	P' 426
Deposit liabilities	28.2	(751)	480	(1,745)	1,211	(1,545)	5,018
Interest expense on deposits	28.2	5	-	6	-	5	-
Issuance of shares of stock	28.2	-	-	-	-	7,727	-
Interest income from loans and receivables	28.1	86	-	21	-	27	-
Associates							
Deposit liabilities	28.2	266	277	(55)	11	(60)	16
Interest expense on deposits	28.2	3	-	5	-	3	-
Dividend	12	59	-	124	-	76	-
Related Parties Under Common Ownership							
Common Ownership							
Loans and receivables	28.1	84	38	(541)	-	(1,066)	541
Deposit liabilities	28.2	2,695	2,851	(2,124)	156	(598)	2,242
Interest expense on deposits	28.2	9	-	16	-	16	-
Occupancy and equipment related expenses	28.5(a)	715	-	926	-	829	9
Miscellaneous expense – other	28.2	67	-	52	-	54	-
Interest income from loans and receivables	28.1	-	-	19	-	35	-

		Group											
		2017				2016				2015			
	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount of Transaction</u>		<u>Outstanding Balance</u>		<u>Amount of Transaction</u>		<u>Outstanding Balance</u>		<u>Amount of Transaction</u>		<u>Outstanding Balance</u>	
Key Management Personnel													
Loans and receivables	28.1	P	210	P	211	(P	1)	P	1	(P	31	P	4
Deposit liabilities	28.2		43		236	(	61)		247	(	287)		171
Interest income from loans and receivables	28.1		2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest expense on deposits	28.1		3	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	-	-
Salaries and employee benefits	28.3(a)		458	-	-	-	171	-	-	-	376	-	-
Other Related Parties													
Loans and receivables	28.1		5,565		10,106	(	2,855)		1,518	(	349)		1,286
Deposit liabilities	28.2		2,179		2,294	(	162)		115		76		691
Interest income from loans and receivables	28.1		540	-	-	-	362	-	-	-	103	-	-
Interest expense on deposits	28.2		16	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-
Parent Company													
		2017				2016				2015			
	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount of Transaction</u>		<u>Outstanding Balance</u>		<u>Amount of Transaction</u>		<u>Outstanding Balance</u>		<u>Amount of Transaction</u>		<u>Outstanding Balance</u>	
Stockholders													
Loans and receivables	28.2	(P	55)	P	316	(P	55)	P	311	(P	35)	P	426
Deposit liabilities	28.2	(	751)		480	(	1,365)		1,211		1,545		3,018
Interest expense on deposits	28.2		5	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	5	-	-
Issuance of shares of stock	25.2		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,129	-	-
Interest income from loans and receivables	28.1		16	-	-	-	21	-	-	-	29	-	-

Notes	2017		Parent Company		2015	
	Amount of Transaction	Outstanding Balance	Amount of Dividends	Outstanding Balance	Amount of Transaction	Outstanding Balance
Subsidiaries						
Loans and receivable	28.1	(P 222)	P -	222	P 142	P 222
Deposit liabilities	28.2	(7,135)	643	553	26	1,765
Interest income from loans and receivable	21.1	-	-	-	5	-
Interest expense on deposits	28.2	2	-	5	6	-
Dividend	12	315	-	1,404	142	-
Rental income	28.5(a)					
28.5(b)		191	-	188	175	6
Occupancy and equipment-related expenses	28.5(c)	15	-	140	133	1
Service and processing fees	28.5(d)	499	-	454	410	54
Sale of equipment accounts	28.1	175	-	810	1,256	-
Outflow of investment securities	28.1	5	-	601	546	-
Capital subscription	12.1	-	-	-	250	250
Assignment of receivables	11					
28.1	(80)	192	(201)	202	221	212
Associates						
Deposit liabilities	28.2	266	277	55	11	45
Interest expense on deposits	28.2	3	-	5	1	-
Dividend		59	-	124	76	-

Name	Parent Company					
	2017		2016		2015	
	Amount of Transaction	Outstanding Balance	Amount of Transaction	Outstanding Balance	Amount of Transaction	Outstanding Balance
Related Parties Under Common Ownership						
Loans and receivables	201	P 10	P 14	(1)	511	P 1
Deposit liabilities	204	(2,584)	(2,740)	(2,174)	136	(996)
Interest income from loans and receivables	201	-	-	19	-	15
Interest expense on deposits	202	8	-	15	-	10
Occupancy and equipment-related expenses	203(d)	715	-	926	-	629
Miscellaneous expenses - other	202	67	-	52	-	21
Key Management Personnel						
Loans and receivables	202	196	493	(1)	(1)	(5)
Deposit liabilities	202	43	286	67	213	(247)
Interest income from loans and receivables	201	2	-	-	-	-
Interest expense on deposits	202	3	-	6	-	-
Salaries and employee benefits	203(d)	328	-	278	-	221
Other Related Interests						
Loans and receivables	201	9,363	10,106	2,935	4,541	1,285
Deposit liabilities	204	2,145	2,268	(902)	113	-
Interest income from loans and receivables	201	560	-	503	-	155
Interest expense on deposits	202	16	-	3	-	2

28.1 Loans and Receivables

The summary of the Group's and Parent Company's significant transactions and the related outstanding balances for loans and receivables with its related parties as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 are as follows:

<u>Related Party Category</u>	<u>Group</u>			
	<u>Issuances</u>	<u>Repayments</u>	<u>Interest Income</u>	<u>Loans Outstanding</u>
2017:				
Stockholders	P -	P 55	P 16	P 316
Related parties under common ownership	216	196	-	14
Key management personnel	691	481	2	211
Other related interests	<u>8,262</u>	<u>2,702</u>	<u>562</u>	<u>10,106</u>
	P 9,169	P 3,434	P 578	P 10,647
2016:				
Stockholders	P -	P 55	P 21	P 371
Related parties under common ownership	-	541	19	-
Key management personnel	1	2	-	1
Other related interests	<u>2,351</u>	<u>4,476</u>	<u>562</u>	<u>4,541</u>
	P 2,352	P 5,074	P 602	P 4,913
2015:				
Stockholders	P -	P 557	P 29	P 426
Related parties under common ownership	40	2,006	35	541
Key management personnel	2	5	-	4
Other related interests	<u>100</u>	<u>642</u>	<u>102</u>	<u>1,686</u>
	P 442	P 3,197	P 167	P 3,657
<u>Related Party Category</u>	<u>Parent Company</u>			
	<u>Issuances</u>	<u>Repayments</u>	<u>Interest Income</u>	<u>Loans Outstanding</u>
2017:				
Stockholders	P -	P 55	P 16	P 316
Subsidiaries	-	222	-	-
Related parties under common ownership	210	196	-	14
Key management personnel	663	467	2	197
Other related interests	<u>8,262</u>	<u>2,702</u>	<u>562</u>	<u>10,106</u>
	P 9,140	P 3,642	P 578	P 10,633

Related Party Category	Parent Company			
	Loans	Repayments	Interest Income	Loans Outstanding
2016				
Stockholders	P -	P 55	P 21	P 371
Subsidiaries	1,376	1,376		222
Related parties under common ownership		541	19	
Key management personnel	1	2	-	1
Other related interests	1,331	4,474	567	4,541
	P 5,608	P 6,350	P 607	P 5,335
2015				
Stockholders	P -	P 516	P 25	P 426
Subsidiaries	5,754	5,612	5	222
Related parties under common ownership	40	2,056	35	541
Key management personnel	-	5	-	2
Other related interests	400	337	103	1,686
	P 6,194	P 8,426	P 139	P 2,877

In the ordinary course of business, the Group has loan transactions with each other, their other affiliates, and with certain Directors, Officers, Stockholders and Related Interests (DOSRIs). Under existing policies of the Group, these loans are made substantially on the same terms as loans to other individuals and businesses of comparable risks.

Under current BSP regulations, the amount of individual loans to a DOSRI, 70% of which must be secured, should not exceed the amount of the unencumbered deposit and book value of the investment in the Group and Parent Company and/or any of its lending and nonbank financial subsidiaries. In the aggregate, loans to DOSRIs, generally, should not exceed the total equity or 15% of the total loan portfolio of the Group and Parent Company. However, non-risk loans are excluded in both individual and aggregate ceiling computation. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Group and Parent Company is in compliance with these regulatory requirements.

The following table shows the other information relating to the loans, other credit accommodations and guarantees granted to DOSRI as of December 31 in accordance with BSP reporting guidelines:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Total outstanding				
DOSRI loans	P 542	P 587	P 509	P 553
Unsecured DOSRI	71	60	61	49
Past due DOSRI	1		1	
Non-accruing DOSRI	1	-	1	-
Percent of DOSRI loans to total loan portfolio	0.15%	0.19%	0.19%	0.24%
Percent of unsecured DOSRI loans to total DOSRI loans	13.10%	10.22%	11.98%	8.96%
Percent of past due DOSRI loans to total DOSRI	0.13%	0.05%	0.14%	0.04%
Percent of non-accruing DOSRI loans to total DOSRI loans	0.13%	0.05%	0.14%	0.04%

In 2017, the Group recognized impairment loss on certain loans and receivables from DOSRI amounting to P.06 and is recognized as part of Impairment Losses account in the 2017 statement of profit or loss. There are no impairment losses incurred in 2016 and 2015.

28.2 Deposit Liabilities

The summary of the Group's and Parent Company's significant transactions and the related outstanding balances for deposit liabilities with its related parties as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 are as follows (see Note 17):

Related Party Category	Group			
	Deposits	Withdrawals	Interest Expense	Outstanding Balance
2017:				
Stockholders	P 25,106	P 25,857	P 5	P 480
Associates	32,335	32,069	1	277
Related parties under common ownership	14,007	11,317	9	2,351
Key management personnel	416	373	3	286
Other related interest	<u>213,907</u>	<u>211,728</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>2,294</u>
	P 285,771	P 281,332	P 36	P 6,188
2016:				
Stockholders	P 36,518	P 38,303	P 6	P 1,211
Associates	35,592	35,645	5	31
Related parties under common ownership	1,287,730	1,289,854	15	156
Key management personnel	4,365	4,298	1	243
Other related interests	<u>1,036,115</u>	<u>1,036,476</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>115</u>
	P 2,400,320	P 2,404,576	P 30	P 1,756
2015:				
Stockholders	P 49,028	P 48,383	P 5	P 3,018
Associates	20,098	20,158	3	65
Related parties under common ownership	121,273	121,869	10	2,282
Key management personnel	4,365	4,078	1	176
Other related interests	<u>51,586</u>	<u>54,508</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>901</u>
	P 230,750	P 248,996	P 23	P 6,442
Related Party Category	Parent Company			
	Deposits	Withdrawals	Interest Expense	Outstanding Balance
2017:				
Stockholders	P 25,106	P 25,857	P 3	P 480
Subsidiaries	100,523	102,678	1	443
Associates	32,335	32,069	3	277
Related parties under common ownership	9,038	6,474	8	7,480
Key management personnel	416	373	3	286
Other related interests	<u>136,192</u>	<u>134,047</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>2,360</u>
	P 303,630	P 301,498	P 36	P 6,486

Related Party Category	Parent Company			
	Deposits	Withdrawals	Interest Expense	Outstanding Balance
2016:				
Stockholders	P 36,518	P 38,303	P 6	P 1,231
Subsidiaries	974,281	973,728	5	2,598
Associates	33,592	33,643	9	11
Related parties under common ownership	1,287,730	1,289,854	16	156
Key management personnel	4,365	4,298	1	243
Other related interests	1,036,113	1,036,476	3	115
	<u>P 3,374,600</u>	<u>P 3,378,304</u>	<u>P 40</u>	<u>P 4,354</u>
2015:				
Stockholders	P 49,928	P 48,383	P 5	P 3,018
Subsidiaries	1,342,248	1,342,222	6	2,065
Associates	20,098	20,153	3	65
Related parties under common ownership	121,273	121,869	10	2,282
Key management personnel	4,635	4,922	3	176
Other related interests	54,508	54,508	2	476
	<u>P 1,592,680</u>	<u>P 1,592,063</u>	<u>P 29</u>	<u>P 8,082</u>

Deposit liabilities transactions with related parties have similar terms with other counterparties.

28.3 Sale and Purchase of Securities

The Parent Company's and certain subsidiaries engage in the trading of investment securities as counterparties to the transaction. These transactions are priced similar to transactions with other counterparties outside the Group and there are no unsettled transactions as of the end of each reporting period.

28.4 Retirement Fund

The Parent Company and certain subsidiaries' retirement funds covered under their defined benefit post-employment plan maintained for qualified employees are administered and managed by the Parent Company's and RSB's Trust Departments in accordance with the respective trust agreements covering the plan.

The retirement funds have transactions with the Group and Parent Company as of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 as follows:

Nature of Transactions	Group		Parent Company	
	Net Amount of Transaction	Outstanding Balance	Net Amount of Transaction	Outstanding Balance
2017:				
Investment in common shares of Parent Company	(P 6)	P 3,125	(P 6)	P 3,123
Investment in corporate debt securities	(47)	2	(49)	-
Deposits with the Parent Company	226	427	239	311
Fair value gains	1,266	-	1,266	-
Interest income	4	-	4	-

<u>Name of Transactions</u>	<u>Group</u>		<u>Parent Company</u>	
	<u>Net Amount</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>	<u>Net Amount</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>
	<u>of Transaction</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>of Transaction</u>	<u>Balance</u>
2016				
Investment in common shares of Parent Company	P .	P 1,863	P .	P 1,863
Investment in corporate debt securities	(5)	50	.	49
Deposits with the Parent Company	75	291	72	72
Fair value gains	31	.	31	.
Interest income	3	.	3	.
2015:				
Investment in common shares of Parent Company	(P 853)	P 1,863	(P 853)	P 1,863
Investment in corporate debt securities	(5)	50	-	49
Deposits with the Parent Company	19	126	-	.
Fair value losses	(845)	.	(849)	.
Interest income	5	.	3	.

The carrying amount and the composition of the plan assets as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 are disclosed in Note 24.2. Investment in corporate debt securities include long-term negotiable certificates of deposit issued by the Parent Company

The information on the Group's and Parent Company's contributions to the retirement fund and benefit payments through the fund are disclosed in Note 24.2.

The retirement fund neither provides any guarantee or surety for any obligation of the Group nor its investments to its own shares of stock covered by any restriction and liens.

28.5 Other Related Party Transactions

(a) Lease Contracts with RRC and Sublease Agreement with Subsidiaries

The Parent Company and certain subsidiaries occupy several floors of RRC Plaza as leaseholders of RRC [see Note 29.7(b)]. Rental expense incurred by the Group related to this lease arrangement is included as part of Occupancy and Equipment-related expenses account in the statements of profit or loss. The Parent Company's lease contract with RRC is effective until December 31, 2020 after it was renewed in 2015 for another five years. The outstanding payable on the lease contract is presented as part of Accounts payable under Other Liabilities account in the 2017 and 2016 statements of financial position (see Note 22). The related outstanding payable is unsecured, noninterest-bearing and payable in cash on demand.

The Parent Company entered into sublease agreements with certain subsidiaries which occupy several floors of RCHC Plaza. Rental income by Parent Company related to these sublease arrangements is included as part of Rentals under the Miscellaneous income account in the statements of profit or loss (see Notes 14.2). The outstanding receivable on the lease contracts is presented as part of Accounts receivable under Loans and Receivables account in the statements of financial position (see Note 11). The related outstanding receivable is unsecured, noninterest-bearing and payable in cash on demand. Management believes that the receivables on the sublease agreements are fully recoverable.

(b) Lease Contract on RSB Corporate Center

In October 2013, the Parent Company and RSB entered into a lease agreement covering certain office and parking spaces of RSB Corporate Center at a monthly rental fee of P7. The monthly rental payments are subject to an escalation rate of 5% annually effective in 2014 up to the 5th year of the lease term. The lease is for a period for five years which shall end in October 2018 and renewable as may be agreed by the parties. The outstanding receivable on the lease contract is presented as part of Accounts receivable under Loans and Receivables account in the statements of financial position (see Note 11). The related outstanding receivable is unsecured, noninterest-bearing and payable in cash on demand. Management believes that receivable from the lease contract is fully recoverable.

(c) Service Agreement with RBSC

The Parent Company has Service Agreement (the Agreement) with RBSC, wherein RBSC shall provide the Parent Company with marketing, distribution, technical, collection and selling assistance and processing services in connection with the operation of the Parent Company's credit card business. The total service processing fees incurred by the Parent Company is recognized as part of the Service and processing fees under the Miscellaneous Expenses account in the statements of profit or loss (see Note 25.2). The outstanding payable related to the service agreement is presented as part of Accounts payable under Other Liabilities account in the statements of financial position (see Note 22). The related outstanding payable is unsecured, noninterest-bearing and payable in cash on demand.

(d) Key Management Personnel Compensation

The breakdown of key management personnel compensation follows:

	Group		
	2017	2016	2015
Short-term employee benefits	P 442	P 361	P 338
Post-employment defined benefits	16	15	18
	<u>P 458</u>	<u>P 376</u>	<u>P 356</u>
	Parent Company		
	2017	2016	2015
Short-term employee benefits	P 328	P 271	P 221
Post-employment defined benefits	-	-	-
	<u>P 328</u>	<u>P 271</u>	<u>P 221</u>

29. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In the normal course of operations of the Group, there are various outstanding commitments and contingent liabilities such as guarantees, commitments to extend credit, tax assessments, claims from customers and third parties, etc., with amounts not reflected in the financial statements. Management does not anticipate losses from these transactions that will adversely affect the Group's operations.

In the opinion of management, the suits and claims arising from the normal course of operations of the Group that remain unsettled, if decided adversely, will not involve sums that would have material effect on the Group's financial position or operating results.

29.1 *Contingent Accounts, Guarantees and Other Commitments*

The following is a summary of contingencies and commitments arising from transactions not given recognition in the statement of financial position, expressed at their equivalent peso contractual amounts as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

	Group		Parent Company	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Trust department accounts	P 91,585	P 94,804	P 64,395	P 61,260
Derivative assets	46,230	32,172	46,230	32,172
Outstanding guarantees issued	41,858	31,828	41,858	31,828
Derivative liabilities	41,822	27,256	41,822	27,256
Unused commercial letters of credit	17,055	10,793	17,055	10,794
Spot exchange sold	6,307	5,455	6,199	5,452
Spot exchange bought	6,204	5,452	6,204	5,455
Inward bills for collection	1,407	540	1,407	2,048
Late deposits/payments received	566	2,169	434	540
Outward bills for collection	133	84	133	84
Others	17	17	17	17

29.2 *Poverty Eradication and Alleviation Certificate Bonds*

In October 2011, the Bank filed a case before the Court of Tax Appeals questioning the 20% final withholding tax on PEACE Bonds by the BIR. The Bank subsequently withdrew its petition and joined various banks in their petition before the Supreme Court on the same matter. Notwithstanding the pendency of the case and the issuance of a Temporary Restraining Order by the Supreme Court, the Bureau of Treasury withheld P199 in October 2011 from the Bank on the interest on its PEACE bonds holdings. The amount was originally recognized as part of Accounts receivables under Loans and Receivables account in the statements of financial position until it was settled in 2017.

On January 13, 2015, the Supreme Court nullified the 2011 BIR Rulings classifying all bonds as deposit substitutes and ordered the Bureau of Treasury to return the 20% final withholding tax it withheld on the PEACE Bonds on October 18, 2011. On March 16, 2015, the Bank and RCAP filed a Motion for Clarification and/or Partial Reconsideration, seeking clarification to exclude from the definition "deposit substitutes" the PEACE Bonds since there was only one lender at the primary market, and subsequent sales in the secondary market pertain to a sale or assignment of credit, which is not subject to withholding tax. The Parent Company and RCAP also sought partial reconsideration to the ruling that should the PEACE Bonds be considered as deposit substitutes, the BIR should collect the unpaid final withholding tax directly from RCAP/Code NGO, or any lender or investor, as withholding agents, since there was no interest earned and collection of the withholding tax, if at all, has already prescribed. The Bank and RCAP also reiterated its arguments that the tax constitutes double taxation, violates the non-impairment clause of the Constitution, and is a breach of the obligations by the Bureau of Treasury when it issued the PEACE Bonds. The Office of the Solicitor General ("OSG"), as counsel for the Republic and other public respondents, also filed a Motion for Reconsideration and Clarification, reiterating the BIR's right to withhold 20% as Final Withholding Tax and asking for clarification on the effect of the ruling on other government securities.

In a Resolution dated October 5, 2016, the Supreme Court partially granted the Bank and RCAP's Motion for Clarification and/or Partial Reconsideration, stating that (a) to determine whether the securities newly issued and sold by the Bureau of Treasury should be treated as "deposit substitutes", the phrase "at any one time" in relation to "20 or more lenders" should be reckoned at the time of their original issuance, (b) this interpretation, at any rate, cannot be applied retroactively since this would prejudice the Bank and RCAP which relied in good faith on the rulings/opinions of the BIR that the transaction in issue is exempted from any final withholding tax, and (c) such being the case, the PEACE Bonds cannot be treated as deposit substitutes. On the other hand, the Supreme Court denied the Motion for Reconsideration and Clarification filed by the OSG. The Supreme Court likewise held that due to the continued refusal of the Bureau of Treasury to release the amount of P4,966, which it withheld upon maturity of the PEACE Bonds, in violation of the order issued by the Supreme Court, the Bureau of Treasury is liable to pay legal interest of six percent (6%) per annum on the aforesaid amount of P4,966, counted from October 19, 2011 until fully paid.

On April 11, 2017, the Parent Company received a copy of the Entry of Judgment stating, among others, that the Decision dated January 13, 2015 and the Resolution dated August 16, 2016, which partially granted the Motion for Clarification and/or Partial Reconsideration filed by the Parent Company became final and executory on October 20, 2016. The Bureau of Treasury has so far settled P197 of the Parent Company's claim. The balance of P2 is currently the subject of discussion between the Parent Company, the PDIC and the Bureau of Treasury. The PDIC is evaluating, among others, the deed of assignment executed in favor of the Parent Company by a rural bank, which has since then been placed under liquidation, of its PEACE bonds holdings in partial settlement of its past loan obligation.

29.3 Sale of National Steel Corporation (NSC) Plant Asset

In October 2008, Global Steel Philippines (SPV-AMC), Inc. (GSPPI) and Global Ispat Holdings (SPV-AMC), Inc. (GIHI) (collectively, "Global Steel"), which purchased the Ilagan Plant assets of the NSC ("NSC Plant Assets") from the Liquidator in 2004, initiated arbitration proceedings with the Singapore International Arbitration Centre ("SIAC") seeking damages on account of the failure of the Liquidator and the Secured Creditors, including the Bank and RCBC Capital Corporation ("RCAP"), to deliver the NSC Plant Assets free and clear from liens and encumbrance, purportedly depriving them of the opportunity to use the said assets to secure additional loans to fund the operations of the Plant and upgrade the same. On May 9, 2012, the SIAC Arbitral Tribunal rendered a Partial Award in favor of Global Steel in the total amount of (a) US\$80, as and by way of lost opportunity to make profits and (b) P1,403, representing the value of the undelivered Billet Shop Land measuring 3.4071 hectares (the "Lost Land Claim").

On appeal, and on July 31, 2014, the Singapore High Court set aside the Partial Award, and subsequently granted the Secured Creditors' application for the lifting of the injunctions issued in 2008 and directed the release of Global Steel's installment payment to the Secured Creditors. Accordingly, the Bank and RCAP received their respective share in the funds previously held in escrow. Moreover, the Secured Creditors may now compel Global Steel to comply with their obligations under the Omnibus Agreement (OMNA)/Asset Purchase Agreement (APA) and take legal action upon Global Steel's failure to do so.

On March 31, 2015, the Singapore Court of Appeals rendered a decision which affirmed the earlier decision of the Singapore High Court insofar as it set aside (a) the monetary award of US\$80 and P1,403 representing lost opportunity to make profit and the value of the Lost Land Claim in favor of Global Steel, respectively, and (b) the deferment of Global Steel's obligation to pay the purchase price of the NSC Plant Assets. The Singapore Court of Appeals ruled that (a) aside from the lack of jurisdiction to rule on the issue of lost opportunity to make profit and absence of evidentiary support for the award, and (b) the premature ruling on the issue of the Lost Land Claim, the dispute relating to Global Steel's payment obligation is an obligation under the OMNA, which is beyond the ambit of arbitration, so that the SIAC Arbitral Tribunal could not properly order the Bank, RCAP and the other Secured Creditors to defer holding Global Steel in default. However, the Singapore Court of Appeals held that the NSC Liquidator and Secured Creditors are still required to deliver to Global Steel clean title to the NSC Plant Assets.

On November 27, 2015, the Singapore Court of Appeals further held that the issue of Global Steel's lost opportunity to make profit cannot be remanded to the Arbitral Tribunal, or to a new Arbitral Tribunal for that matter, to be litigated anew after the setting aside of the Partial Award. The doctrines of res judicata and abuse of process also operated to preclude the reopening of this issue. However, the Singapore Court of Appeals held that the Lost Land Claim may be the subject of a fresh arbitration proceedings before a new arbitral tribunal. The Singapore Court of Appeals likewise awarded litigation costs to the Liquidator but none to the Secured Creditors.

The Parent Company's estimated exposure is approximately P209 in terms of estimated property taxes and transfer costs due on the NSC Plant Assets, while it has a receivable from Global Steel in the amount of P486, taking into consideration the P49 installment payment it had received from the funds previously in escrow. The Parent Company has recognized full impairment loss on the receivable since then, with the gross amount of receivable classified as UDSC under Loans and Receivable account. The Parent Company's exposure, however, may be varied depending on whether the Iligan City's assessment of the post-closing taxes will be sustained as valid (including those imposed on non-operational machineries), now that all pre-closing taxes on the NSC assets sold to Global Steel, covering the period 1999 to October 14, 2004, are deemed paid, following the denial with finality of the City of Iligan's Petition for Review by the Supreme Court and the issuance of an Entry of Judgment on March 16, 2016, in the case initiated solely by the NSC Liquidator.

In defiance, however, of the aforesaid final and executory ruling, the City of Iligan (a) issued a Notice of Delinquency against NSC, seeking to collect the tax arrears covering the period 1999 to 2016, (b) levied the NSC properties, and (c) set the same for public auction on October 17, 2016, which proceeded even as the local government unit (LGU) received the October 18, 2016 Writ of Execution issued by the Regional Trial Court of Makati City, Branch 57, directing it to (a) comply with the valid and binding Tax Amnesty Agreement dated October 13, 2004, and (b) afford NSC relief from the payment of interests and penalties. On November 3, 2016, the Iligan City police took possession of the NSC Plant compound. On November 4, 2016, the NSC, through the Liquidator, filed an Omnibus Motion praying that (a) the City of Iligan, the Sangguniang Panlungsod and City Treasurer be directed to show cause why they should not be held in contempt, and, (b) the Auction Sale of the NSC properties held on October 19, 2016 be nullified.

In an Order dated April 4, 2017, the Makati Trial Court (a) nullified the public auction of the NSC Plant Assets, among others, (b) enjoined any and all real property tax collection actions against the NSC until the Decision dated October 7, 2011, which held that the NSC pre-closing taxes have been paid, is fully executed and NSC's remaining tax liabilities are correctly computed. The Makati Trial Court likewise (a) directed the Iligan City Treasurer to show cause why she should not be held in contempt of court for holding the auction sale of the NSC Plant Assets without clearing NSC of the pre-closing taxes, and (b) directed the Iligan City Treasurer, among others, to inform the Makati Trial Court of the names of the responsible persons who ordered, aided and abetted her assailed conduct. The LGU and the Iligan City Treasurer, among others, moved the reconsideration of the April 4, 2017 Order.

29.4 Verotel Merchant Services B.V. Case

In 2011, Verotel Merchant Services B.V. (VMS), a Netherlands corporation, and Verotel International Industries, Inc. ("VII"), a Philippine corporation, civilly sued the Parent Company, Bankard, Inc. (Bankard), Grupo Mercarse Corp., CNP Worldwide, Inc. ("CNP") and several individuals before the Los Angeles Superior Court for various causes of action including fraud, breach of contract and accounting, claiming that VII and its alleged parent company, VMS, failed to receive the total amount of US\$1.5 million, which the defendants allegedly misappropriated. VMS is an Internet merchant providing on-line adult entertainment and on-line gambling, in addition to the sale of pharmaceuticals over the Internet.

After nearly five years, and after being transferred to a fourth judge, the case went to trial from January 13, 2016 to January 26, 2016, where the issues on prescription, VII's lack of capacity to sue and VMS's lack of standing to sue were reserved for Judge Michael J. Raphael's disposition. On January 27, 2016, the jury rendered a verdict solely in favor of VMS. On March 10, 2016, the Parent Company/Bankard informed Judge Raphael that they will, instead, be filing a motion for judgment notwithstanding verdict (JNOV) and motion for new trial. On April 13, 2016, the Parent Company /Bankard timely filed their motions for JNOV and new trial, and on April 27, 2016, the Parent Company /Bankard likewise timely filed their Reply to the Oppositions filed by VII/VMS.

On May 12, 2016, Judge Raphael heard, and partially granted, the Parent Company/Bankard's Motion for JNOV by deleting the US\$7.5 million punitive damages awarded to VMS in the absence of proof that (a) a corporate officer of the Parent Company/Bankard knew of, authorized, or ratified fraudulent acts, and (b) Janet Conway was a managing agent of the Parent Company/Bankard within the meaning of the California Civil Code Section 3294(b). However, Judge Raphael ruled that Conway was an agent of the Parent Company/Bankard for some purposes, and sustained the award of US\$1.5 million. Judge Raphael likewise denied the Parent Company/Bankard's Motion for New Trial, and likewise partially granted, plaintiffs' motion for interest and awarded VMS prejudgment interest in the amount of US\$0.5 million.

On July 11, 2016, the Parent Company/Bankard timely filed their Notice of Appeal on the partial denial of their Motion for JNOV with the California Court of Appeals, and received a copy of the Notice of Appeal solely filed by VMS on July 8, 2016. On July 21, 2016, the Parent Company/Bankard timely posted the amount of US\$3.1 million, as and by way of security to stay the enforcement of the Amended Judgment rendered by Judge Rafael.

On September 8, 2016, VMS filed its unsealed Certificate of Interested Persons, after the California Court of Appeals sustained the Parent Company/Bankard's position that the identities subject of the disclosure was, in fact, a central issue in this case and the appeal, as it relates to whether VMS has standing in this case and is entitled to any damages. In an Order dated, and filed, on November 16, 2016, the California Court of Appeals adopted the briefing sequence proposed by the Parent Company/Bankard, thus, allowing the full ventilation of the case on appeal. In a notice dated January 23, 2017, the California Court of Appeals informed the parties of the filing of the reporter's transcripts.

Subsequently, on March 7, 2017, Judge Raphael granted VMS's motion for cost of proof sanction and directed the Parent Company/Bankard to pay VMS the additional amount of US\$0.08 million to cover the cost of (a) the services of expert witnesses and (b) their presentation during the trial, given his ruling that the Parent Company/Bankard unjustifiably denied VMS's request for admission that they failed to comply with MasterCard and VISA association rules. The Parent Company/Bankard timely filed their Notice of Appeal on the aforementioned Order of Judge Raphael but no longer posted any additional filing fees, following VMS's agreement not seek to enforce of the said award during the pendency of the appeal.

The Parent Company/Bankard filed their Revised Opening Brief on their Appeal with the California Court of Appeals on October 2, 2017, raising the following arguments: (a) there is no substantial evidence to establish that the Parent Company/Bankard caused VMS' loss, which arose as a result of the processing of VMS' transactions under and using the merchant ID of another merchant, in a side deal without Bankard's knowledge and consent; (b) there is, therefore, no contract/no processing relationship between VMS and Bankard; (c) there is no substantial evidence to establish that the Parent Company/Bankard caused VMS' loss under agency law, given that (i) Conway could not be Bankard's agent as a matter of law, because she was defrauding Bankard, (ii) plaintiffs did not establish that Conway was an agent of Bankard, (iii) plaintiff did not establish that Conway was a purported agent of Bankard, and, (iv) plaintiffs did not establish that Conway's wrongful conduct was within the scope of her agency; and, (d) the Trial Court abused its discretion in awarding cost of proof sanctions. The Parent Company/Bankard is awaiting the filing of VMS' Reply Brief.

29.5 Applicability of RR 4-2011

On March 15, 2011, the BIR issued RR 4-2011, which prescribed that for income tax reporting purposes, banks and other financial institutions must (a) report costs and expenses either under RBU or PCDC/EFCDU or CBU if specifically identified as such; or (b) allocate such cost and expenses, which cannot be specifically identified, based on percentage share of gross income earnings of a unit. The BIR, however, issued assessment notices to banks and other financial institutions for deficiency income tax for alleged non-trava unit allocation of costs and expenses to exempt income and income subjected to final tax within RBU.

On April 6, 2015, the Parent Company and other member-banks of the Bankers Association of the Philippines ("BAP") (the "Petitioners"), filed the above-captioned case with Application for TRO and/or Writ of Preliminary Injunction with the Regional Trial Court of Makati ("Makati Trial Court"), wherein the Petitioners assailed the validity of RR 4-2011 on the ground, among others, that (a) RR 4-2011 violates the Petitioners' substantive due process rights; (b) it is not only illegal but also unfair; (c) it serves as a deterrent to banks to invest in capital market transactions to the prejudice of the economy; (d) it sets a dangerous precedent for the disallowance of full deductions due to the prescribed method of allocation; (e) it was promulgated without prior consultation, thus, violating the procedural due process rights of the petitioners; and (f) it violated the equal protection clause guaranteed in the Constitution for requiring Banks and other financial institutions to adopt a method of allocation when other institutions and taxpayers were not being required to do so by the Department of Finance ("DOF") and BIR.

On April 8, 2015, the RTC-Makati issued a TRO enjoining the BIR from enforcing RR 4-2011. Also, on April 27, 2015, RTC-Makati issued a Writ of Preliminary Injunction enjoining the BIR from enforcing, carrying out, or implementing in any way or manner RR 04-2011 against the Parent Company and other BAP member banks, including the issuance of Preliminary Assessment Notice or Final Assessment Notice against them during the pendency of the litigation, unless sooner dissolved.

On June 10, 2015, the RTC-Makati issued a Confirmatory Order stating that the TRO and Writ of Preliminary Injunction also prohibits the BIR from ruling or deciding on any administrative matter pending before it in relation to the subject revenue regulations and insofar as the Parent Company and other BAP member banks are concerned. The Pre-trial Conference of the case began on August 2, 2016 and continued to August 3, 2017. During the August 3, 2017 hearing, in lieu of trial for the resolution of the case, the Makati Trial Court directed the parties to file their respective Memorandum on September 15, 2017. As of October 5, 2017, the parties to the case have submitted their respective Memorandum.

29.6 Alleged Unauthorized Transfer of Funds – Bank of Bangladesh

In February 2016, there was an alleged unauthorized transfer of funds from the Bank of Bangladesh to four accounts in the Parent Company, which were eventually transferred to various accounts outside of the Parent Company. In August 2016, the Monetary Board of the BSP approved the imposition of supervisory action on the Parent Company to pay the amount of P1.0 billion in relation to the completed special examination. The Parent Company has fully recognized in the 2016 statement of profit or loss the P1.0 billion supervisory action as part of Miscellaneous Expenses under Other Operating Expenses account (see Note 25.2), and has fully paid the same. The Parent Company does not expect this imposition of supervisory action to affect its ability to perform its existing obligations or unduly hamper its operations.

The AMLC has filed a criminal complaint against former and current officers and employees of the Parent Company for alleged violation of Section 4(f) of RA No. 9160, as amended, otherwise known as the "Anti-Money Laundering Law", in connection with the alleged unauthorized transfer of funds taken from the account of the Bank of Bangladesh with the New York Federal Reserve Bank. The AMLC alleged that each of the respondents supposedly performed or failed to perform an act, which facilitated the crime of money laundering, particularly the remittance and eventual withdrawal of the aforementioned amount from the US Dollar accounts of Enrico T. Vasquez, Michael F. Cruz, Alfred Vergara and Jessie Christopher M. Lagrosas (the "Beneficiary Accounts"), which were then being maintained at the Parent Company's Jupiter Business Center. In particular, the AMLC alleged that each of the respondents failed to effect a hold out on the Beneficiary Accounts despite the supposed "red flags" in the SWIFT payment orders and their supposed receipt on February 9, 2016 of the SWIFT MT099 and MT199 messages of the Bank of Bangladesh requesting for the stop payment of the remittances in issue, resulting in the withdrawals from the said accounts. The AMLC also charged the respondents for their alleged failure to perform Enhanced Due Diligence (EDD), despite the aforementioned "red flags" or alleged irregularities in the remittances.

On March 27, 2017, the former and current officers of the Parent Company filed their Joint Counter-Affidavit, pointing out that: (a) the AMLC failed to establish that they had actual knowledge, as required by the AMLA, as amended, that the US\$81 million inward remittance proceeded from an unlawful activity or that the willful blindness doctrine under US jurisprudence is applicable; (b) no predicate crime was established, in the absence of evidence showing the occurrence of the supposed "backing incident"; and (c) their supposed failure to conduct EDD and the lifting of the hold out on the Beneficiary Accounts cannot amount to facilitation of money-laundering, considering that none of the scenarios required prior to conducting EDD is present, and banks are not legally allowed to effect any unilateral freezing of a depositor's account under the AMLA, as amended, and relevant jurisprudence.

On May 18, 2017, the AMLC filed its Consolidated and Joint Reply Affidavit. On July 10, 2017, the former and current officers of the Parent Company filed their respective Individual Rejoinder Affidavits.

There are no known claims, demands, and commitments, events, or uncertainties that will have a material impact on the Bank's operational performance and ability to service obligations.

Except for the above-mentioned proceedings, the Parent Company is not aware of any suits and claims by or against it or its subsidiaries, which if decided adversely would have a material effect on its financial position or operating results.

29.7 Lease Commitments

(a) Parent Company as a Lessor

The Parent Company has entered into various lease contracts related to RSB Corporate Center, an investment property held for rental, with lease terms ranging from one to five years and with monthly rent depending on market price with 5% escalation rate every year. Total rent income earned from these leases amounted to P297, P280, and P218 in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively, which are presented as part of Rental under the Miscellaneous Income account in the statements of profit or loss (see Note 25.1). A certain office and parking spaces in RSB Corporate Center are being lease-out to RSB [see Note 28.5 (a)].

The Parent Company's future minimum rental receivables under this non-cancellable operating lease arrangement are as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Within one year	P 375	P 410
After one year but not more than five years	<u>486</u>	<u>861</u>
	<u>P 861</u>	<u>P 1,271</u>

(b) Group as Lessee

The Parent Company and certain subsidiaries lease some of the premises occupied by their respective head offices [see Note 28.5(a)] and branches/business centers for lease periods from one to 25 years. The Group's rental expense related to these leases (included as part of Occupancy and Equipment-related expenses account in the statements of profit or loss) amounted to P977, P742 and P754 in 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Most of the lease contracts contain renewal options, which give the Group the right to extend the lease on terms mutually agreed upon by the parties.

The future minimum rental payables under these non-cancellable operating leases are as follow:

	<u>Group</u>	<u>Parent Company</u>
2017:		
Within one year	P 811	P 673
After one year but not more than five years	<u>2,640</u>	<u>2,375</u>
More than five years	<u>335</u>	<u>221</u>
	<u>P 3,786</u>	<u>P 3,339</u>

	<u>Group</u>		<u>Parent Company</u>	
2016:				
Within one year	P	853	P	605
After one year but not more than five years		2,600		2,246
More than five years		226		193
	P	3,681	P	3,044

30. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following shows the profit and per share data used in the basic and diluted EPS computations for the three years presented:

	<u>Group</u>		
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Basic and Diluted EPS			
a. Net profit attributable to Parent Company's shareholders	P 4,308	P 3,868	P 3,129
Allocated for preferred and Hybrid Tier 1 (HTT) dividends	-	-	(212)
b. Adjusted net profit before capital redemption	4,308	3,868	4,919
Redemption premium on HTT	-	-	(723)
c. Adjusted net profit	P 4,308	P 3,868	P 4,196
d. Weighted average number of outstanding common stocks	1,400	1,400	1,462
EPS before capital redemption (b/d)	P 3.08	P 2.76	P 3.40
Basic and diluted EPS (c/d)	P 3.08	P 2.76	P 3.40

The convertible preferred shares did not have a significant impact on the EPS for each of the periods presented. The Group and the Parent Company has no potential dilutive shares as of the end of each reporting period.

31. SELECTED FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The following basic indicators and ratios measure the financial performance of the Group and Parent Company:

		Group		
		2017	2016	2015
Return on average equity				
	$\frac{\text{Net profit}}{\text{Average total equity}}$	6.72%	6.42%	9.23%
Return on average resources				
	$\frac{\text{Net profit}}{\text{Average total resources}}$	0.82%	0.77%	1.09%
Net interest margin				
	$\frac{\text{Net interest income}}{\text{Average interest earning resources}}$	4.25%	4.06%	4.15%
Profit margin				
	$\frac{\text{Net profit}}{\text{Revenues}}$	17.15%	16.95%	23.07%
Debt-to-equity ratio				
	$\frac{\text{Total liabilities}}{\text{Total equity}}$	7.27	7.39	7.88
Resources-to-equity ratio				
	$\frac{\text{Total resources}}{\text{Total equity}}$	8.27	8.39	8.85
Interest rate coverage				
	$\frac{\text{Earnings before interest and taxes}}{\text{Interest expense}}$	1.73	1.50	1.81
		Parent Company		
		2017	2016	2015
Return on average equity				
	$\frac{\text{Net profit}}{\text{Average total equity}}$	6.74%	6.43%	9.14%
Return on average resources				
	$\frac{\text{Net profit}}{\text{Average total resources}}$	1.02%	0.95%	1.20%
Net interest margin				
	$\frac{\text{Net interest income}}{\text{Average interest earning resources}}$	3.85%	3.47%	3.62%
Profit margin				
	$\frac{\text{Net profit}}{\text{Revenues}}$	22.34%	22.61%	32.52%

	2017	Parent Company 2016	2015
Debt-to-equity ratio			
$\frac{\text{Total liabilities}}{\text{Total equity}}$	5.60	5.73	6.40
Resources-to-equity ratio			
$\frac{\text{Total resources}}{\text{Total equity}}$	6.60	6.73	7.40
Interest rate coverage			
$\frac{\text{Earnings before interest and taxes}}{\text{Interest expense}}$	1.95	1.60	3.06

32. RECONCILIATION OF LIABILITIES ARISING FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Presented below is the reconciliation of the Group's and Parent Company's 2017 liabilities arising from financing activities, which includes both cash and non-cash changes.

	Bills Payable (see Note 18)		Bonds Payable (see Note 19)		Total Financing Activities	
	Group	Parent	Group	Parent	Group	Parent
Balance as of January 1, 2017	P 37,643	P 51,712	P 41,595	P 41,595	P 79,238	P 93,307
Cash flow from financing activities:						
Advancements	20,561	15,477	-	-	20,561	15,477
Payments/redemption	(14,472)	(10,783)	(13,687)	(13,687)	(28,159)	(24,475)
Non-cash financing activities:						
Foreign exchange losses	235	199	118	118	353	317
Amortization of premium	-	-	24	24	24	24
	<u>P 43,967</u>	<u>P 56,605</u>	<u>P 28,040</u>	<u>P 28,040</u>	<u>P 72,027</u>	<u>P 64,660</u>



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We have audited, in accordance with Philippine Standards on Auditing, the consolidated financial statements of Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and subsidiaries (the Group) for the year ended December 31, 2017, on which we have rendered our report dated February 26, 2018. Our audits were made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The applicable supplementary information (see SEC Supplementary Schedules) is presented for purposes of additional analysis in compliance with the requirements of the Securities Regulation Code Rule 68, as amended, and is not a required part of the basic consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with Philippine Financial Reporting Standards. Such supplementary information is the responsibility of the Group's management. The supplementary information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic consolidated financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole.

PUNONGBAYAN & ARAULLO

By: **Maria Isabel E. Comedia**
Partner

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Firm - No. 0002-FR-4 (until Apr. 30, 2018)
BIR AN 08-002511-21-2018 (until Oct. 3, 2018)
Firm's BOA/PRC Cert. of Reg. No. 0002 (until Dec. 31, 2018)

February 26, 2018

Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and Subsidiaries
SEC Supplementary Schedules
December 31, 2017

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Answer (B) is correct.
Schedule A.

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Korea Commercial Banking Corporation and Subsidiaries

SEC Revised Form 20-F

Form 20-F

Schedule B

COGSU and Receivable from Principal Subsidiaries (Other than Related Parties)

Debit and Description of debits	Balance at beginning of period	Amount collected	Amount written off	Current	Post Current	Balance at end of period
Item 1. Financial Ratios and Ratios						
Item 2. Financial Ratios and Ratios						
Loan Receivable						
ABC Bank Corp.						
ABC Bank Corp. (100%)	271,250,000	50,000,000				310,250,000
ABC Bank Corp. (100%)						
Item 3. Financial Ratios and Ratios						
Item 4. Financial Ratios and Ratios						
Loan Receivable						
Employee Loan	3,310,144	1,001,000				4,311,144
Item 5. Financial Ratios and Ratios						
Item 6. Financial Ratios and Ratios						
Loan Receivable						
Employee Loan	655,000	2,100,000				2,755,000
Item 7. Financial Ratios and Ratios						
Item 8. Financial Ratios and Ratios						
Loan Receivable						
Employee Loan	80,226	4,113,171				4,193,397

Real Commercial Building Corporation and Subsidiaries
 SEC Annual Report 2012
 Asset 001
 Schedule C
 DUEB1 Classified During the Construction of Financial Statements

Name and Organization of the Issuer	Balance Sheet Reporting Period	Addition	Debt (Debt)	Amounts collected	Amounts not collected	Classification		Balance at end of period
						Current	Not Current	

Not applicable

Annual Commercial Banking Comparison and Substatement
 SEE Statement Summary Schedule C, Page 06
 Account 0000
 Schedule D
 Ineligible Assets Other Assets

Description	Beginning Balance	Additions in Case	End of Period		Ending Balance
			Charged to case and suspense	Charged to other accounts	
Current	P	433,983,879	P	P	P
French Revenue		1,004,000,000	4,100,000		435,983,879
Refund - net		954,753,127	266,965,326		1,006,788,000
					977,822,550

Change of reference for reference

Real Commercial Banking Corporation and Subsidiaries
SEC: National Automated SFC Form 44
 Form 44-F
 Schedule D
 Long Term Debt

Trade or issue and type of obligation	Amount outstanding at maturity	Interest terms and dates "Current period of long-term debt" to reflect interest when	Amount shown under caption "Long Term Debt" as related balance sheet
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Real Commercial Banking Corporation

1,000,000,000.000 Senior Notes Interest Rate: 4.125% Fixed Rate Maturity Date: 1/22/2020 Number of periodic installments: Not applicable	1,000,000,000.00	Not applicable	1,000,000,000.00
1,000,000,000.000 Senior Notes Interest Rate: 3.625% Fixed Rate Maturity Date: 2/27/2021 Number of periodic installments: Not applicable	1,000,000,000.00	Not applicable	1,000,000,000.00
2,500,000,000.000 Long Term Negotiable Certificates of Deposit Interest Rate: 3.75% Fixed Rate Maturity Date: 2/11/2020 Number of periodic installments: Not applicable	2,500,000,000.00	Not applicable	2,500,000,000.00
2,100,000,000.000 Long Term Negotiable Certificates of Deposit Interest Rate: 4.125% Maturity Date: 6/14/2020 Number of periodic installments: Not applicable	2,100,000,000.00	Not applicable	2,100,000,000.00
2,800,000,000.000 Long Term Negotiable Certificates of Deposit Interest Rate: 3.25% Maturity Date: 5/14/2019 Number of periodic installments: Not applicable	2,800,000,000.00	Not applicable	2,800,000,000.00
2,200,000,000.000 Long Term Negotiable Certificates of Deposit Interest Rate: 0.00% Maturity Date: 5/14/2019 Number of periodic installments: Not applicable	2,200,000,000.00	Not applicable	2,200,000,000.00
2,100,000,000.000 Long Term Negotiable Certificates of Deposit Interest Rate: 5.375% Maturity Date: 9/27/2024 Number of periodic installments: Not applicable	2,100,000,000.00	Not applicable	2,100,000,000.00

Real Commerce Trucking Corporation and Subsidiaries

SEC. 13(a) Form 10-K, July 1996

Part III

Item 13

Indebtedness to Related Parties (Long-Term Loans from Related Companies)

Name of related party	Balance at beginning of period	Balance at end of period
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Not applicable

Rural Commercial Banking Corporation and Subsidiaries
 361, Richmond Avenue SMC Park Rd
 Asheville, NC
 Schedule C
 Continuation of Schedule C of Item 1

Name of issuing agency of form and amount paid for the year for which this statement is filed	Date of issue of each class of securities	Total amount paid and outstanding	Amount owned by person to whom issued	Name of person
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None applicable

RIZAL COMMERCIAL BANKING CORPORATION
Yuchengco Tower, RCB Plaza, 6819 Ayala Avenue cor. San Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City

Parent Company Reconciliation of Retained Earnings Available for Dividend Declaration
December 31, 2017

(Amounts in Millions of Philippine Pesos)

Unappropriated Retained Earnings at Beginning of Year		P	24,401
Prior Years' Outstanding Reconciling Item, net of tax			
Share in net earnings of subsidiaries and associates	(	8,778)
Deferred tax assets	(	869)
Fair value gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(	279)
		(9,926)	
Unappropriated Retained Earnings at Beginning of Year, Dividend Declaration at Beginning of Year, As Adjusted			14,475
Net Profit Realized during the Year			
Net profit per audited financial statements		4,308	
Non-actual/nonrealized income			
Share in net earnings of subsidiaries and associates	(	2,110)
Deferred tax income	(	73)
Fair value gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		19	
		2,144	
Other Transactions During the Year			
Dividends declared	(P	773)
Dividends received from subsidiaries and associates		319	
Appropriation of retained earnings to trust reserves	(	16)
		(470)	
Unappropriated Retained Earnings Available for Dividend Declaration at End of Year		P	16,149

Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and Subsidiaries
SEC Released Amended SRC Rule 6B
Schedule of Recent Public Offerings

2011 - P3,850,000,000 Long Term Negotiable Certificate of Time Deposit

Net Proceeds: P3,389,382,206 (Issue Price: 100.00% for P2,033,210,000 notes and 74.05% for P1,816,790,000 notes)

Use of Proceeds: To be used for general banking and re-lending purposes.

2012 - US\$ 275,000,000 Senior Note

Gross Proceeds: US\$275,000,000 (Issue Price: US\$200,000,000 @ 100.00% and US\$75,000,000 @ 110%)

Related Expenses: US\$1,193,825

Use of Proceeds: To be used for general banking and re-lending purposes.

2013 - P5,000,000,000 Long Term Negotiable Certificate of Time Deposit (LTNCD)

Net Proceeds: P4,626,797,247.90 (Issue Price: 100.50% for P2,860,260,000 Fixed Rate LTNCDs and 82.3585% for P2,139,740,000 Zero Coupon LTNCDs)

Use of Proceeds: To expand the Bank's long-term deposit base and support long term asset growth and for other general funding purposes.

2014 - P2,400,000,000 Long Term Negotiable Certificate of Time Deposit (LTNCD)

Gross Proceeds: P2,400,000,000 (Issue Price: 100.00%)

Use of Proceeds: To expand the Bank's long-term deposit base and support long-term asset growth and for other general funding purposes

2014 - P10,000,000,000 Tier 2 Unsecured Subordinated Notes

Gross Proceeds: P10,000,000,000 (Issue Price: 100.00%)

Use of Proceeds: To strengthen the Bank's capital base and capital adequacy ratio (CAR) and support asset growth as well as expand the bank's long term funding base

2015 - US\$ 243,000,000 Senior Note

Gross Proceeds: US\$243,000,000 (Issue Price: US\$ 200,000,000 @ 100.00% and US\$43,000,000 @ 110%)

Related Expenses: US\$1,400,857

Use of Proceeds: To be used for general banking and re-lending purposes.

2015 - US\$ 320,000,000 Senior Note

Gross Proceeds: US\$320,000,000 (Issue Price: US\$ 320,000,000 @ 100.00%)

Related Expenses: US\$1,042,758

Use of Proceeds: To be used for general banking and re-lending purposes.

2017 - P2,502,000,000 Long Term Negotiable Certificate of Deposit

Gross Proceeds: P2,502,000,000 (Issue Price: P2,502,000,000 @ 100.00%)

Related Expenses: P15,763,828

Use of Proceeds: To be used for general funding purposes

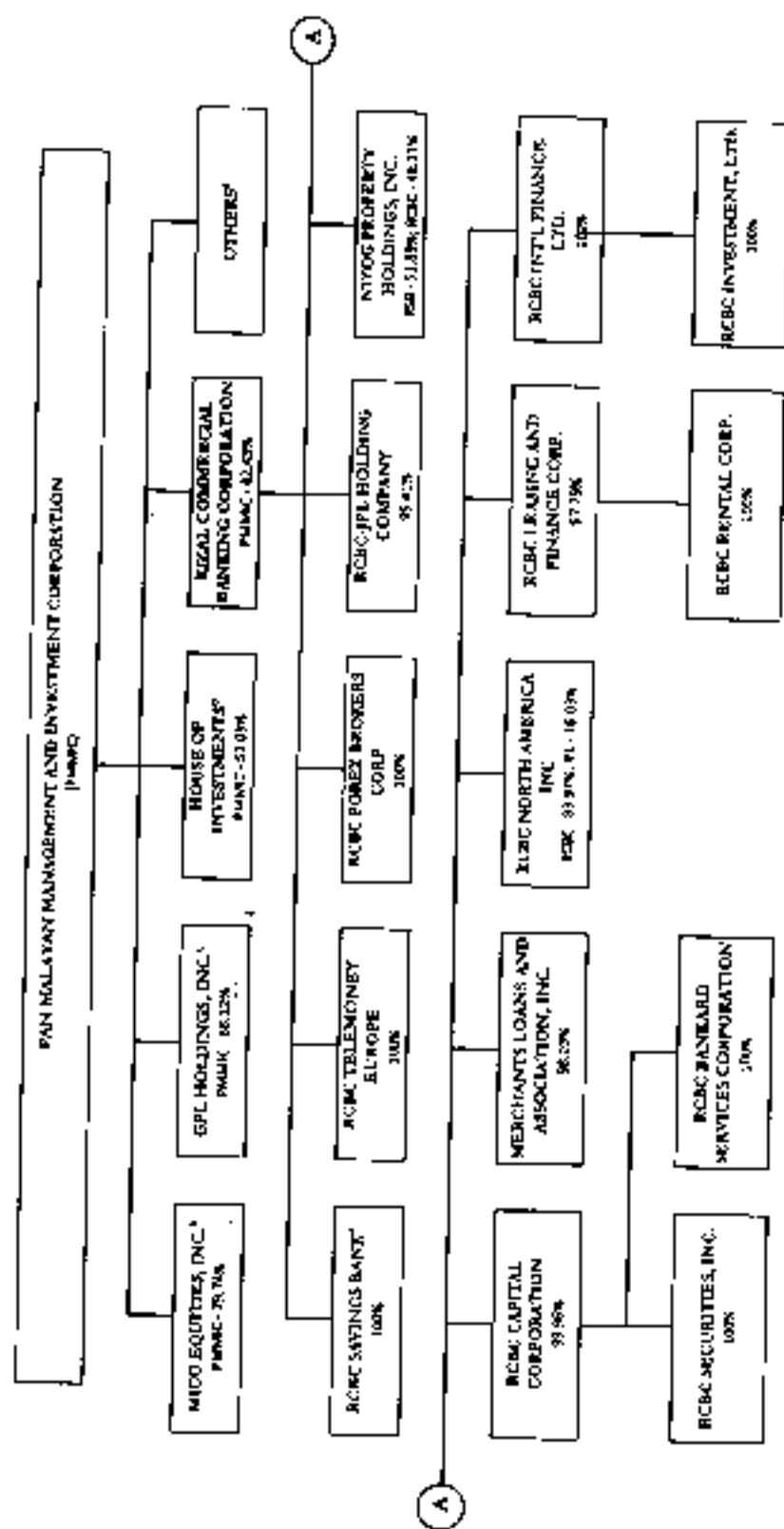
Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and Subsidiaries
Schedule of Philippine Financial Reporting Standards and Interpretations
 Adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission and the
 Financial Reporting Standards Council as of December 31, 2022

PHILIPPINE FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS		Adopted	Not Adopted	Not Applicable
Framework for the Preparation and Presentation of Financial Statements		✓		
Conceptual Framework Part A: Objectives and Qualitative Characteristics		✓		
Practice Statement: Management Commentary			✓	
Philippine Financial Reporting Standards (PFRS)				
PFRS 1 (Revised)	First-time Adoption of Philippine Financial Reporting Standards	✓		
	Amendments to PFRS 1: Additional Exemptions for First-time Adopters	✓		
	Amendments to PFRS 1: Limited Exemption from Comparative PFRS 7 Disclosures for First-time Adopters	✓		
	Amendments to PFRS 1: Scope Harmonization and Removal of Fixed Date for First-time Adopters	✓		
	Amendments to PFRS 1: Government Loans	✓		
	Amendments to PFRS 1: Deletion of Short-term Exemptions	✓		
PFRS 2	Share-based Payment			✓
	Amendments to PFRS 2: Vesting Conditions and Cancellations			✓
	Amendments to PFRS 2: Group Cash-settled Share-based Payment Transactions			✓
	Amendments to PFRS 2: Classifications and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions (to align with January 1, 2017)			✓
PFRS 3 (Revised)	Business Combinations	✓		
	Amendment to PFRS 3: Recognition of Previously Held Interest in a Joint Venture (to align January 1, 2019)			✓
PFRS 4	Insurance Contracts			✓
	Amendments to PAS 39 and PFRS 4: External Guarantees Contracts			✓
	Amendments to PFRS 4: Applying PFRS 9, Financial Instruments, with PFRS 4, Insurance Contracts (to align January 1, 2018)			✓
PFRS 5	Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations	✓		
PFRS 6	Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources			✓
PFRS 7	Financial Instruments: Disclosures	✓		
	Amendments to PFRS 7: Transition	✓		
	Amendments to PAS 39 and PFRS 7: Recognition of Financial Assets (d)	✓		
	Amendments to PAS 39 and PFRS 7: Recognition of Financial Assets - Effective Date and Transition (d)	✓		
	Amendments to PFRS 7: Improving Disclosures about Financial Instruments	✓		
	Amendments to PFRS 7: Disclosures - Transition of Financial Assets	✓		
	Amendments to PFRS 7: Disclosures - Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities	✓		
	Amendments to PFRS 7: Handling Reference Rate of PFRS 9 and Transition Disclosures (to align with PFRS 9's first adoption)	✓		
PFRS 8	Operating Segments	✓		
PFRS 9	Financial Instruments (a) (2009, 2010 and 2011 versions)	✓		
	Financial Instruments (2014) (b) (effective January 1, 2018)			✓
	Amendments to PFRS 9: Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation (b) (effective January 1, 2018)			✓

PHILIPPINE FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS		Adopted	Not Adopted	Not Applicable
PFRS 10	Consolidated Financial Statements	✓		
	Amendment to PFRS 10: Transition Guidance	✓		
	Amendments to PFRS 10: Investment Entities	✓		
	Amendments to PFRS 10: Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture (b) (effective date delayed indefinitely)			✓
	Amendment to PFRS 10: Investment Entities – Applying the Consolidation Exception	✓		
PFRS 11	Joint Arrangements	✓		
	Amendment to PFRS 11: Transition Guidance	✓		
	Amendment to PFRS 11: Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests in Joint Operations	✓		
	Amendment to PFRS 11: Measurement of Financially Held Interests in a Joint Operation (b) (effective January 1, 2019)			✓
	Amendment to PFRS 11: Accounting for Acquisitions of Interests in Joint Operations	✓		
PFRS 12	Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities	✓		
	Amendment to PFRS 12: Transition Guidance	✓		
	Amendment to PFRS 12: Investment Entities	✓		
	Amendment to PFRS 12: Investment Entities – Applying the Consolidation Exception	✓		
	Amendment to PFRS 12: Scope Clarifications on Disclosure of Summarized Financial Information for Interests Classified as Held for Sale	✓		
PFRS 13	Fair Value Measurement	✓		
PFRS 14	Regulatory Deferral Accounts			✓
PFRS 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers (b) (effective January 1, 2018)			✓
PFRS 16	Leases (b) (effective January 1, 2019)			✓
PFRS 17	Insurance Contracts (b) (effective January 1, 2021)			✓
Philippine Accounting Standards (PAS)				
PAS 1 (Revised)	Presentation of Financial Statements	✓		
	Amendments to PAS 12 and PAS 1: Income Tax Treatments and Obligations Arising on Liquidation	✓		
	Amendments to PAS 1: Recognition of Income of Other Comprehensive Income	✓		
	Amendments to PAS 1: Disclosure Initiative	✓		
PAS 2	Inventory			✓
PAS 7	Statement of Cash Flows	✓		
	Amendments to PAS 7: Disclosure Initiative	✓		
PAS 8	Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors	✓		
PAS 9	Events After the Reporting Period	✓		
PAS 11	Construction Contracts			✓
PAS 12	Income Taxes	✓		
	Amendments to PAS 12 - Deferred Tax Recovery of Loss-carrying Assets	✓		
	Amendments to PAS 12 - Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealized Losses	✓		
	Amendments to PAS 12 - Tax Consequences of Dividends (b) (effective January 1, 2019)			✓
PAS 16	Property, Plant and Equipment	✓		
	Amendment to PAS 16: Depreciation	✓		
	Amendments to PAS 16: Classification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortization	✓		
PAS 17	Leases	✓		
PAS 18	Revenue	✓		
PAS 19	Employee Benefits	✓		
PAS 19 (Revised)	Amendments to PAS 19: Defined Benefit Plans - Employee Contributions	✓		
PAS 28	Accounting for Government Grants and Disclosure of Government Assistance			✓

PHILIPPINE FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS		Adopted	Not Adopted	Not Applicable
<i>Philippine Interpretations - International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC)</i>				
IFRIC 1	Changes in Existing Decommissioning, Restoration and Similar Liabilities (a)	✓		
IFRIC 2	Members' Shares in Co-operative Entities and Similar Instruments			✓
IFRIC 4	Determining Whether an Arrangement Contains a Lease	✓		
IFRIC 5	Rights to Interest Among Joint Decommissioning, Restoration and Environmental Rehabilitation Funds (a)	✓		
IFRIC 6	Liabilities Arising from Participating in a Specific Market - Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment			✓
IFRIC 7	Applying the Reversal Approach under PAS 29, Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economies			✓
IFRIC 9 (a)	Amendments to Embedded Derivatives	✓		
	Amendments to Philippine Interpretations (IFRIC-9 and PAS 19) Embedded Derivatives	✓		
IFRIC 10	Intention Financial Reporting and Impairment	✓		
IFRIC 12	Service Concession Arrangements			✓
IFRIC 13	Customer Loyalty Programmes	✓		
IFRIC 14	PAS 19 - The Fair Value of a Defined Benefit Asset, Minimum Funding Requirements and their Interaction	✓		
	Amendments to Philippine Interpretations (IFRIC - 14, Paragraphs of a Minimum Funding Requirements and their Interaction (c))	✓		
IFRIC 16	Hedges of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation			✓
IFRIC 17	Outbreaks of Non-athletic Athletes to Compete (a)	✓		
IFRIC 18	Transfer of Assets from Customers (c)	✓		
IFRIC 19	Recognising Financial Liabilities with Equity Instruments (c)	✓		
IFRIC 20	Shipping Costs in the Production Phase of a Surface Mine (a)	✓		
IFRIC 21	Leases	✓		
IFRIC 22	Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration (b) (Issued January 1, 2014)			✓
IFRIC 23	Uncertainty Over Income Tax Treatment (b) (Effective January 1, 2014)			✓
<i>Philippine Interpretations - Standing Interpretations Committee (SIC)</i>				
SIC-3	Introduction of the Euro			✓
SIC-10	Government Assistance - No Specific Activities or Operating Activities			✓
SIC-15	Operating Leases - Incentives	✓		
SIC-25	Income Taxes - Changes in the Tax Status of an Entity or its Shareholders (a)	✓		
SIC-27	Estimating the Substance of Transactions Involving the Legal Form of a Lease	✓		
SIC-29	Service Concession Arrangements - Classification			✓
SIC-31	Revenue - Better Transactions Involving Advertising Services (a)	✓		
SIC-32	Intangible Assets - Web Site Costs (a)	✓		
<p>^(a) PFRS 5 (2009, 2010 and 2011 versions) is effective January 1, 2013 but the Group opted to early adopt with January 1, 2014 as the date of initial application.</p> <p>^(b) These standards will be effective for periods subsequent to 2013 and were not early adopted by the Group.</p> <p>^(c) These standards have been adopted in the preparation of financial statements but the Group has no significant transactions in years or both years presented.</p> <p>^(d) PAS 38 and all related amendments, improvements and interpretations thereto were adopted by the Group prior to January 1, 2014. These were superseded by PFRS 5 (2009, 2010 and 2011 versions) effective January 1, 2014 except for the paragraphs relating to impairment and hedge accounting.</p>				

Royal Commercial Banking Corporation and Subsidiaries
Map Showing the Relationships Between and Among the RCBC and its Related Parties
December 31, 2017



Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and Subsidiaries
SEC Released Amended SRC Rule 68
Schedule of Financial Indicators

	2017	2016	2015
Return on average equity	6.72%	6.42%	9.23%
Return on average resources	0.82%	0.71%	1.09%
Net interest margin	4.25%	4.06%	4.15%
Profit margin	17.15%	15.95%	23.41%
Capital adequacy ratio	15.46%	16.16%	15.72%
Cost to income ratio	70.90	75.05	67.74
Liquidity ratio	0.93	0.56	0.41
Debt-to-equity ratio	7.27	7.39	7.88
Resources-to-equity ratio	8.27	8.39	8.88
Interest rate coverage ratio	1.73	1.59	1.81

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
 MAKATI CITY) S.S.

CERTIFICATION

I, **GEORGE GILBERT G. DELA CUESTA**, incumbent Corporate Secretary of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation (the "Bank"), a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with principal place of business at Yuchengco Tower, RCBC Plaza, 6819 Ayala Avenue corner Sen Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, do hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, except for those indicated below, none of the directors and officers listed in the Information Statement work with the government.

Mr. Gabriel S. Claudio currently serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR). Attached is a copy of the latest authority from the Board of Directors of PAGCOR allowing Mr. Gabriel S. Claudio to sit on the Board of Directors of the Bank.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed this Certification and Undertaking this MAY 11 2018 at Makati City, Philippines.


GEORGE GILBERT G. DELA CUESTA
 Corporate Secretary

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this MAY 11 2018 at Makati City, affiant **GEORGE GILBERT G. DELA CUESTA** who is personally known to me exhibiting to me his SSS ID No. 33-3032245-5 and IBP ID Lifetime Member No. 03276.

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ATTY. CATALINO VICENTE L. ARABIT
 Notary Public
 Appointment No. M-20(2017-2018)
 Until 31 December 2018
 PTR NO. 6516390;01-04-18; Makati City
 IBP NO. 0202005;01-04-18; Makati City
 ROLL NO. 40345
 21st Floor Yuchengco Tower 2, RCBC Plaza
 Ayala Avenue, Makati City



May 9, 2018

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SEC MAIN OFFICE

Secretariat Building, PICC Complex

Roxas Boulevard, Metro Manila Philippines

ATTENTION: **ATTY. TERESITA J. HERBOSA**
Chairperson

SUBJECT: Director Gabriel S. Claudio

Dear Chairperson Teresita J. Herbosa:

We write pursuant to the request of Director Gabriel S. Claudio who has been appointed as a Director of the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation ("PAGCOR") by the President of the Republic of the Philippines and is currently one of the Independent Directors of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation ("RCBC"), and in compliance with the requirement of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC").

Please be informed that the Board of Directors of PAGCOR does not object against Mr. Gabriel S. Claudio, an appointed director of PAGCOR, to concurrently hold the position of Independent Director in RCBC, subject to existing laws, rules and regulations, and to any conflict of interest that may arise in the future.

Very truly yours,

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PAGCOR

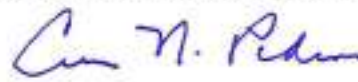

ANDREA D. DOMINGO

Chairperson/Chief Executive Officer


ALFREDO C. LIM

President/Chief Operating Officer


REYNALDO E. CONCORDIA
Director


CARMEN N. PEDROSA
Director

Copy Furnished:

DIRECTOR GABRIEL S. CLAUDIO

CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

I, **ARMANDO M. MEDINA**, Filipino, of legal age and a resident of 7 Doña Aurora St., Tahanan Village, Paranaque, Metro Manila, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law do hereby declare that:

1. I am a nominee for independent director of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and have been its independent director since February 26, 2003. Pursuant to SEC Memorandum Circular No. 4 series of 2017, I have a maximum of 9 years (cumulative) from 2012, or until 2021, within which to serve as Independent Director.
2. I am affiliated with the following companies or organizations (including Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations):

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION	POSITION/RELATIONSHIP	PERIOD OF SERVICE
RCBC Savings Bank	Independent Director	2003/02/17 to present
RCBC Capital Corporation	Independent Director	2011/02/17 to present
Malayan Insurance Co. Inc.	Independent Director	2011/07/26 to present

3. I possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications to serve as an Independent Director of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation, as provided for in Section 38 of the Securities Regulation Code, its Implementing Rules and Regulations and other SEC issuances.
4. I am related to the following director/officer/substantial shareholder of (RCBC and its subsidiaries and affiliates) other than the relationship provided under Rule 38.2.3 of the Securities Regulation Code, (where applicable)

NAME OF DIRECTOR/ OFFICER/ SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDER	COMPANY	NATURE OF RELATIONSHIP
N/A		

5. To the best of my knowledge, I am not the subject of any pending criminal or administrative investigation or proceeding or I disclose that I am the subject of the following criminal/administrative investigation or proceeding (as the case may be):

OFFENSE CHARGED/ INVESTIGATED	TRIBUNAL OR AGENCY INVOLVED	STATUS
N/A		

6. I am not in government service/affiliated with a government agency or GOCC.
7. I shall faithfully and diligently comply with my duties and responsibilities as independent director under the Securities Regulation Code and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, Code of Corporate Governance and other SEC issuances.

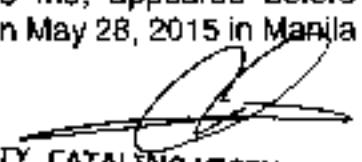
8. I shall inform the Corporate Secretary of any changes in the abovementioned information within five days from its occurrence.

Done, this day of MAY 10 2018 at Makati City.


ARMANDO M. MEDINA
Affiant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of MAY 10 2018 at MAKATI CITY, affiant, who is personally known to me, appeared before me and exhibited to me his Passport No. EC4279016 issued on May 28, 2015 in Manila and valid until May 27, 2020.

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JBP NO. 020206 01-04-13, Makati City
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CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

I, **LILIA R. BAUTISTA**, Filipino, of legal age and a resident of 33 A. Rita St., San Juan City, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law do hereby declare that:

1. I am a nominee for independent director of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and have been its independent director since July 25, 2016.
2. I am affiliated with the following companies or organizations (including Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations):

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION	POSITION/RELATIONSHIP	PERIOD OF SERVICE
RFM Corporation	Independent Director	2005 to present
Transnational Diversified Group, Inc.	Independent Director	2006 to present
Lopez Holdings, Inc.	Independent Director	Feb. 2018 to present
CIBI Foundation	Trustee	2016 to present
Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila	Professor	2016 to present
Philippine Judicial Academy	Professorial Lecturer II	2010 to present
Philja Development Center	Director (Holdover)	2010 to present
(National Group) Permanent Court of Arbitration	Member	2008 to present
St. Martin de Porres Charity Hospital	Trustee and Legal Counsel	2012 to present
Jose Rizal University	Dean, Law School	5/1/2012 to present

3. I possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications to serve as an Independent Director of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation, as provided for in Section 38 of the Securities Regulation Code, Its Implementing Rules and Regulations and other SEC issuances.
4. I am related to the following director/officer/substantial shareholder of (RCBC and its subsidiaries and affiliates) other than the relationship provided under Rule 38.2.3 of the Securities Regulation Code, (where applicable)

NAME OF DIRECTOR/ OFFICER/ SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDER	COMPANY	NATURE OF RELATIONSHIP
N/A		

5. To the best of my knowledge, I am not the subject of any pending criminal or administrative investigation or proceeding or I disclose that I am the subject of the following criminal/administrative investigation or proceeding (as the case may be):

OFFENSE CHARGED/ INVESTIGATED	TRIBUNAL OR AGENCY INVOLVED	STATUS
N/A		


6. I am not currently in government service/affiliated with a government agency or GOCC.
7. I shall faithfully and diligently comply with my duties and responsibilities as independent director under the Securities Regulation Code and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, Code of Corporate Governance and other SEC issuances.
8. I shall inform the Corporate Secretary of any changes in the abovementioned information within five days from its occurrence.

Done, this day of MAY 10 2018 at Makati City.

Lilia R. Bautista
LILIA R. BAUTISTA
 Affiant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of MAY 10 2018 at Makati City, affiant, who is personally known to me, appeared before me and exhibited to me her Passport No. EC1017562 issued on August 6, 2014 in Manila and valid until August 5, 2019.

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CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

I, **MELITO S. SALAZAR**, Filipino, of legal age and a resident of 7 Tulips St., St. Dominic IV, Culiat, Quezon City, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law do hereby declare that:

1. I am a nominee for independent director of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and have been its independent director since June 27, 2016.
2. I am affiliated with the following companies or organizations (including Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations):

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION	POSITION/RELATIONSHIP	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Sun Life of Canada Prosperity Balanced Fund, Inc.	Independent Director	6/20/2014 to present
Sun Life of Canada Prosperity Philippine Equity Fund, Inc.	Independent Director	6/2/2014 to present
Sun Life Prosperity GS Fund, Inc.	Independent Director	6/20/2014 to present
Sun Life of Canada Prosperity Philippine Stock Index Fund	Independent Director	2/1/2015 to present
Sun Life Prosperity Wellspring Fund	Independent Director	2017 to present
Sun Life Prosperity Voyager Fund	Independent Director	2017 to present
Sun Life Prosperity Achiever Fund 2038, Inc.	Independent Director	2018 to present
Sun Life Prosperity Achiever Fund 2048, Inc.	Independent Director	2018 to present
Chamber of Commerce of the Philippine Islands	Director and Vice President	7/1/2012 to present
Philippines First Insurance Corp.	Independent Director	July 2007 to present
Omnipay Inc.	Chairman	2013 to present
Quickminds Corporation	Chairman and President	April 2015 to present
YANMAR Philippines	Independent Director	4/15/2015 to present
Concepcion Industrial Corporation	Independent Director	9/1/2013
Manila Bulletin	Columnist	2006 to present
TECO Philippines	Independent Director	April 2015 to present

3. I possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications to serve as an Independent Director of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation, as provided for in Section 38 of the Securities Regulation Code, its Implementing Rules and Regulations and other SEC issuances.
4. I am related to the following director/officer/substantial shareholder of (RCBC and its subsidiaries and affiliates) other than the relationship provided under Rule 38.2.3 of the Securities Regulation Code, (where applicable)

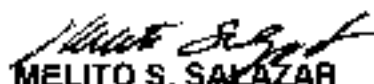
NAME OF DIRECTOR/ OFFICER/ SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDER	COMPANY	NATURE OF RELATIONSHIP
N/A		

5. To the best of my knowledge, I am not the subject of any pending criminal or administrative investigation or proceeding or I disclose that I am the subject of the following criminal/administrative investigation or proceeding (as the case may be):

OFFENSE CHARGED/ INVESTIGATED	TRIBUNAL OR AGENCY INVOLVED	STATUS
N/A		

6. I am not in government service/affiliated with a government agency or GOCC. I am, however, a Regent at the Philippine Normal University. I was appointed in 2014 on part-time status.
7. I shall faithfully and diligently comply with my duties and responsibilities as independent director under the Securities Regulation Code and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, Code of Corporate Governance and other SEC issuances.
8. I shall inform the Corporate Secretary of any changes in the abovementioned information within five days from its occurrence.

Done, this day of MAY 10 2018 at Makati City.


MELITO S. SAKAZAR
Affiant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of MAY 10 2018 at Makati City, affiant who is personally known to me appeared before me and exhibited to me his Passport No. P5932777A issued on February 7, 2018 and valid until February 6, 2028


ATTY. CATALINA VICENTE L. ARABIT

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CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

I, **GABRIEL S. CLAUDIO**, Filipino, of legal age and a resident of 800 Alpha Road, Alpha Village, Capitol Hills Drive, Old Balara, Quezon City, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law do hereby declare that:

1. I am a nominee for independent director of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and have been its independent director since July 25, 2016.
2. I am affiliated with the following companies or organizations (including Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations):

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION	POSITION/RELATIONSHIP	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Philippine Amusement & Gaming Corporation	Member, Board of Directors	Jul-16 to present
Ginebra San Miguel, Incorporated	Member, Board of Directors	Jun-11 to present
Risk & Opportunities Assessment Management	Vice Chairman/Member, Board of Directors	Nov-11 to present
Conflict Resolution Group Foundation (CORE)	Member, Board of Directors	Sep-10 to present
Toby's Youth Sports Foundation	Member, Board of Directors	Mar-11 to present

3. I possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications to serve as an Independent Director of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation, as provided for in Section 38 of the Securities Regulation Code, its Implementing Rules and Regulations and other SEC issuances
4. I am related to the following director/officer/substantial shareholder of (RCBC and its subsidiaries and affiliates) other than the relationship provided under Rule 38.2.3 of the Securities Regulation Code, (where applicable)

NAME OF DIRECTOR/ OFFICER/ SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDER	COMPANY	NATURE OF RELATIONSHIP
N/A		

5. To the best of my knowledge, I am not the subject of any pending criminal or administrative investigation or proceeding or I disclose that I am the subject of the following criminal/administrative investigation or proceeding (as the case may be):

OFFENSE CHARGED/ INVESTIGATED	TRIBUNAL OR AGENCY INVOLVED	STATUS
N/A		

6. I have the required written permission or consent from the head of the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation to be an independent director in the Rizal

Commercial Banking Corporation, pursuant to Office of the President Memorandum Circular No. 17 and Section 12, Rule XVIII of the Revised Civil Service Rules.

7. I shall faithfully and diligently comply with my duties and responsibilities as independent director under the Securities Regulation Code and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, Code of Corporate Governance and other SEC issuances.
8. I shall inform the Corporate Secretary of any changes in the abovementioned information within five days from its occurrence.

Done, this day of MAY 10 2020 at Makati City.



GABRIEL S. CLAUDIO
Affiant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of MAY 10 2020 at Makati City, affiant, who is personally known to me, appeared before me and exhibited to me his Passport No. EC3575904 issued on March 3, 2015 in Manila and valid until March 2, 2020



ATTY. CATALINO VICENTE L. ANADIT

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CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

I, VAUGHN F. MONTES, Filipino, of legal age and a resident of 30 Nottingham St. Hillsborough Alabang Village, Cupang, Muntinlupa 1770, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law do hereby declare that:

1. I am a nominee for independent director of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and have been its independent director since September 26, 2016.
2. I am affiliated with the following companies or organizations (including Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations):

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION	POSITION/RELATIONSHIP	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Parents for Education Foundation (PAREF)	Trustee	2000 to present
PAREF Southridge School for Boys	Chairman and President	2014 to present
PAREF Westbridge School for Boys	Trustee	2000 to present
PAREF Northfield School for Boys	Trustee	2000 to present
Foundation for Economic Freedom	Trustee	2014 to present
Center for Family Advancement	President	2017 to present
Center for Excellence in Governance	Director	2016 to present
Institute for Corporate Directors	Teaching Fellow - Corporate Governance	2015 to present

3. I possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications to serve as an Independent Director of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation, as provided for in Section 38 of the Securities Regulation Code, its Implementing Rules and Regulations and other SEC issuances.
4. I am related to the following director/officer/substantial shareholder of (RCBC and its subsidiaries and affiliates) other than the relationship provided under Rule 38.2.3 of the Securities Regulation Code, (where applicable)

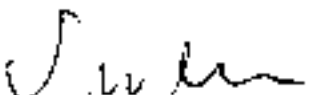
NAME OF DIRECTOR/ OFFICER/ SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDER	COMPANY	NATURE OF RELATIONSHIP
NA		

5. I disclose that I am the subject of the following criminal/administrative investigation or proceeding (as the case may be):

OFFENSE CHARGED/ INVESTIGATED	TRIBUNAL OR AGENCY INVOLVED	STATUS
Alleged irregular securities trade (suit filed against all DBP Directors)	Securities and Exchange Commission SEC En Banc Case No. 09-16-414/Sec En Banc Case No. 09-16-415	Awaiting resolution of the Commission En Banc
State offense investigated (suit filed against all DBP Directors)	Office of the Ombudsman IOMB-C-C-16-0408, OMB-C-A-16-0360; Business Driven Resource Realignment Program)	Case dismissed
State offense investigated (suit filed against all DBP Directors)	Office of the Ombudsman (July 2015 complaint re GCG-approved bonuses given to more than 2,200 DBP employees)	Awaiting resolution of the Ombudsman. There has been no action on the case by the Ombudsman ever since the complaint was filed in 2015.
State offense investigated (suit filed against all DBP Directors)	Office of the Ombudsman (OMB-L-A-16-0543: Loan to Province of Marinduque)	Case dismissed

6. I am not in government service/affiliated with a government agency or GOCC. I am, however, a national consultant on Public Private Partnerships (PPP) Risk Management to Department of Finance/Bureau of Treasury (from December 2011 to December 2016) and national consultant on PPP Risk Management to the National Economic Development Authority/PPP Center (from February 2012 to the present), both under the Asian Development Bank Technical Assistance Grant on PPP Program. The posts are appointive and part-time.
7. I shall faithfully and diligently comply with my duties and responsibilities as independent director under the Securities Regulation Code and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, Code of Corporate Governance and other SEC issuances.
8. I shall inform the Corporate Secretary of any changes in the abovementioned information within five days from its occurrence.

Done, this day of MAY 19 2018 at Makati City.


VAUGHN F. MONTES
 Affiant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of MAY 19 2018 at Makati City, affiant, who is personally known to me, appeared before me and exhibited to me his Passport No. EC1633576 issued on July 15, 2014 and valid until July 14, 2019

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CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

I, **ADELITA A. VERGEL DE DIOS**, Filipino, of legal age and a resident of 280 Tomas Morato Avenue, Quezon City after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law do hereby declare that:

1. I am a nominee for independent director of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation and have been its independent director since June 27, 2016.
2. I am affiliated with the following companies or organizations (including Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations):

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION	POSITION/RELATIONSHIP	PERIOD OF SERVICE
RCBC Savings Bank	Independent Director	2015/06/22 to present

3. I possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications to serve as an Independent Director of the Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation, as provided for in Section 38 of the Securities Regulation Code, its Implementing Rules and Regulations and other SEC issuances.
4. I am related to the following director/officer/substantial shareholder of (RCBC and its subsidiaries and affiliates) other than the relationship provided under Rule 38.2.3 of the Securities Regulation Code, (where applicable)

NAME OF DIRECTOR/ OFFICER/ SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDER	COMPANY	NATURE OF RELATIONSHIP
N/A		

5. To the best of my knowledge, I am not the subject of any pending criminal or administrative investigation or proceeding or I disclose that I am the subject of the following criminal/administrative investigation or proceeding (as the case may be):

OFFENSE CHARGED/ INVESTIGATED	TRIBUNAL OR AGENCY INVOLVED	STATUS
N/A		

6. I am not currently in government service/affiliated with a government agency or GOCC.
7. I shall faithfully and diligently comply with my duties and responsibilities as independent director under the Securities Regulation Code and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, Code of Corporate Governance and other SEC issuances.
8. I shall inform the Corporate Secretary of any changes in the abovementioned information within five days from its occurrence.

Done, this day of MAY 21 2018 at Makati City.


ADELITA A. VERGEL DE DIOS
Affiant

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day of MAY 21 2018 at Makati City, affiant, who is personally known to me, appeared before me and exhibited to me her Passport No. EB8789113 issued on July 26, 2013 and valid until July 25, 2018.


ATTY. CATALINO VICENTE L. ARABIT
Notary Public
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