

Item 8 (b) - Dividends

The Board of Directors proposes that, of the available profits of SEK 1,584,418,212, dividends shall be paid in the total amount of SEK 1,75 per share, entailing a total dividend amount of SEK 221 439 242. The deviation from what has previously been communicated in the notice to the Annual General Meeting regarding the intended dividend is caused by the current market instability. It is proposed that the record date for the dividend be 29 June 2020.

If the Annual General Meeting decides to accept this proposal, the dividend will be paid from Euroclear on 2 July 2020.

The Board of Directors has set the proposed dividend in relation to the requirements which the nature, extent and risks of the operation place on the size of shareholders' equity and the need for consolidation, liquidity and position in general for the parent company and the Group. The Board is of the opinion that the proposed dividend is within the scope of the company's long-term objectives and is defensible with reference to the prudence rule in Chapter 17, Para 3 of the Companies Act.