First Citizens Group Financial Holdings and its Subsidiaries (A Subsidiary of First Citizens Holdings Limited)

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SIX MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31 2024

(Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars)



Chairman's Report

The First Citizens Group concluded another profitable quarter for the period ended 31 March 2024, recording a profit before tax of \$276.9 million. This brought the year to date profit before tax for the six-month period to \$602.3 million. Profit after tax for the six-month period amounted to \$435.8 million, representing a 19.6% increase when compared to the corresponding period to March 2023.

The Group's Total Assets, as at 31 March 2024, amounted to \$45.5 billion, including approximately \$1 billion growth in the loan portfolio when compared to 30 September 2023. The successful performance of our interest bearing assets coupled with our effective funding strategies, resulted in a 16.1% growth in Net Interest Income relative to the same period in the

In light of this performance, the Board has declared a second interim dividend of \$0.47 per ordinary share, which brings the total interim dividend for the six-month period to \$0.97 per ordinary share. This represents a 19.8% increase when compared to the dividend paid for the same period last year of \$0.81. This dividend will be paid on 29 May 2024 to shareholders on record as at 15 May 2024.

First Citizens remains committed to delivering value and best-in-class service as we invest in our branches as well as in channels which enhance our digital presence. We continue to diligently advance our work on policies to drive our Environmental Social and Governance framework

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to our dedicated employees, loyal customers, fellow directors, shareholders and all other stakeholders. Your support and contributions to the First Citizens Group remain essential to our continued growth



Anthony Isidore Smart

30 April 2024

Condensed Consolidated Interim Statement Of Financial Position Unaudited Unaudited Audited Mar 2024 Mar 2023 Sept 2023 \$'000 **ASSETS** Cash and Statutory Deposits 9.986.888 11,086,174 10.288.686 Financial assets - Investments 12,432,902 12,258,499 12,299,777 - Loans to customer: 21,104,809 19,524,946 20,089,527 Other assets 790,764 748,860 950,994 Property, plant and equipment 944.265 856.498 932.186 Goodwill 156,886 156,886 156,886 78,274 Other benefit assets 81,525 98,081 TOTAL ASSETS 45,498,039 44,729,944 44,796,330 LIABILITIES Customers' deposits and other funding instruments 32,627,236 32,657,367 32,512,756 Due to other banks 1.316.741 1,334,461 Creditors and accrued expenses 1,029,796 720,806 825,077 Lease Liabilities 258 413 240.862 270.599 Debt securities in issue 1,685,875 1,716,157 1,689,456 Notes due to related companies 58,000 TOTAL LIABILITIES 37,137,830 36,709,933 36,623,349 SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY Share capital 458.557 458,557 458,557 Statutory reserve 1,241,412 1,241,412 1,241,412 908,040 858,932 Fair value reserve 912,829 Retained earnings 5,752,200 5,407,213 5,605,080 TOTAL SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY 8,360,209 8,020,011 8,163,981 **TOTAL LIABILITIES AND** SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY 44,729,944 45,498,039 44,796,330

On 30 April 2024, the Board of Directors of First Citizens Group Financial Holdings Limited authorised these consolidated financial statements for issue...



		Unaud Three mon			Unaudited Six months ended	
	Note	Mar 2024 \$'000	Mar 2023 \$'000	Mar 2024 \$'000	Mar 2023 \$'000	Sep 202: \$'000
Net interest income		494,837	450,644	1,007,002	867,447	1,857,296
Other income		169,977	149,021	333,069	302,621	615,160
Total net revenue	-	664,814	599,665	1,340,071	1,170,068	2,472,456
Credit Impairment						
losses/write back	5	(2,744)	(7,748)	(3,270)	989	(38,428)
Expenses		(390,976)	(361,616)	(748,300)	(671,229)	(1,388,352)
Operating profit	-	271,094	230,301	588,501	499,828	1,045,676
Share of profit in associates	5					
and joint venture		5,838	4,539	13,755	10,335	24,176
Profit before taxation	-	276,932	234,840	602,256	510,163	1,069,852
Taxation		(78,193)	(70,074)	(166,444)	(145,882)	(293,102)
Profit after taxation	=	198,739	164,766	435,812	364,281	776,750
Earnings Per Share						
Basic				\$1.73	\$1.45	\$3.09
Weighted Average Numbe	r of Shares					
Basic				251.354	251.354	251.354

Condensed Consolidated Statement Of Comprehensive Income

	Unaudited Three months ended			Unaudited Six months ended	
	Mar 2024 \$'000	Mar 2023 \$'000	Mar 2024 \$'000	Mar 2023 \$'000	Sep 2023 \$'000
Profit after taxation	198,739	164,766	435,812	364,281	776,750
Other comprehensive income: Items that will not be classified to prof Remeasurement of	it or loss				
defined benefit liability Net gains/(losses) on investments in					(16,157)
equity instruments designated at FVOC	9,009 9,259	(52,639)	11,783 9,259	(57,622)	(70,853)
	18,268	(52,639)	21,042	(57,622)	(87,010)
Items may be classified to profit or loss	5				
Exchange difference on translation	7,833	(9,362)	605	(2,842)	(2,433)
Reclassified to profit or loss on disposal Net (losses) / gains on financial assets	6,540	(1,242)	10,557	10,924	14,410
measured at FVOCI	(25,170)	986	23,310	29,985	1,581
	(10,797)	(9,618)	34,472	38,067	13,558
Total other comprehensive income/(loss)	7,471	(62,257)	55,514	(19,555)	(73,452)
Total comprehensive income	206,210	102,509	491,326	344,726	703,298

Condensed Consolidated Statement Of Changes In Equity

	Share Capital \$'000	Statutory Reserve \$'000	Other Reserves \$'000	Retained Earnings \$'000	Shareholders' Equity \$'000
Balance at 1 October 2023	458,557	1,241,412	858,932	5,605,080	8,163,981
Total comprehensive income			55,514	435,812	491,326
Revaluation surplus on disposal of equity					
- transfer to retained earnings			(6,406)	6,406	
Dividends				(295,098)	(295,098)
Balance at 31 March 2024	458,557	1,241,412	908,040	5,752,200	8,360,209
Balance at 1 October 2022	458,557	1,241,412	932,384	5,266,954	7,899,307
Total comprehensive (loss) / income			(19,555)	364,281	344,726
Dividends				(224,022)	(224,022)
Balance at 31 March 2023	458,557	1,241,412	912,829	5,407,213	8,020,011
Balance as at 1 October 2022	458,557	1,241,412	932,384	5,266,954	7,899,307
Total Comprehensive (loss) / income			(73,452)	776,750	703,298
Dividends				(438,624)	(438,624)
Balance at 30 September 2023	458,557	1,241,412	858,932	5,605,080	8,163,981

Cash and cash equivalents at end of period

Condensed Consolidated Statement Of Cash Flow					
	Unaudited Mar 2024 \$'000	Unaudited Mar 2023 \$'000	Audited Sep 2023 \$'000		
Cash Flow From Operating Activities					
Profit before taxation	602,256	510,163	1,069,852		
Adjustments to reconcile profit to net cash					
provided by operating activities:	(919,843)	(803,160)	(1,728,610)		
Cashflows from operating activities before changes					
in operating assets and liabilities	(317,587)	(292,997)	(658,758)		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:					
Net change in loans to customers	(1,022,731)	(626,640)	(1,231,573)		
Net change in customers' deposits and other funding	114,481	349,932	215,967		
Net change in other assets	139,478	(15,020)	(234,656)		
Net change in statutory deposits with Central Bank	560,134	64,703	1,416,549		
Net change in creditors and accrued expenses	137,915	(42,269)	117,161		
Interest received	1,131,448	999,036	2,054,984		
Interest paid	(124,322)	(144,141)	(273,665)		
Net change in investments	(75,468)	917,416	865,841		
Taxes paid	(120,580)	(84,003)	(208,997)		
Net cash flow from operating activities	422,768	1,126,017	2,062,853		
Cash Flows From Investing Activities					
Net change in short-term investments	95,925	(472,489)	(359,395)		
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	148	1,778	3,962		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(38,207)	(46,516)	(114,722)		
	57,866	(517,227)	(470,155)		
Cash Flows From Financing Activities					
Repayment of debt securities	(3,581)	(1,235,012)	(1,261,713)		
Repayment of lease liabilities	(24,326)	(16,862)	(49,200)		
Repayment of loan note payable	(2.,020)	(10,002)	(58,000)		
Dividend paid	(295,098)	(224,022)	(438,624)		
Net cash flow from financing activities	(323,005)	(1,475,896)	(1,807,537)		
Net cash increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	157,629	(867,106)	(214,839)		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	4,413,892	4,626,277	4,626,277		
Effect of exchange rate change	(5,418)	4,990	2,454		

4,566,103

3,764,161

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Condensed Consolidated Statement Of Cash Flow (Continued)

	Unaudited Mar 2024 \$'000	Unaudited Mar 2023 \$'000	Audited Sep 2023 \$'000
REPRESENTED BY:-			
Cash and due from banks and Statutory Deposits	9,986,888	11,086,174	10,288,686
Due to other banks Less:	(1,536,510)	(1,316,741)	(1,334,461)
Statutory Deposits	(3,175,770)	(5,087,749)	(3,735,904)
Short Term Investments (Maturity over 3 months)	(708,505)	(917,523)	(804,429)
	4,566,103	3,764,161	4,413,892

Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements

1 General Information

First Citizens Group Financial Holdings Limited (FCGFH) and its subsidiaries (together the Group or First Citizens Group) provide retail, commercial and corporate banking as well as investment banking services. The Group operates primarily in Trinidad and Tobago and the Eastern Caribbean region.

FCGFH is a subsidiary of First Citizens Holdings Limited (Holdings), a company owned by the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (GORTT). First Citizens Holdings Limited is the majority shareholder of FCGFH, with shareholding interest of 60.1%. Its registered office is located at 9 Queen's Park East, Port of Spain.

On October 18, 2021, FCGFH became the parent company of First Citizens Bank Limited (the Bank) and the listed publicly traded shares on the Trinidad & Tobago Stock Exchange. Shares held in the Bank were replaced with shares in FCGFH in the same ratio as previously held at the time of the change.

The Group currently comprises the following entities:

Entity	Nature of operations	Country of incorporation	Ownership interest
First Citizens Depository Services Limited (formerly First Citizens Asset Management Limited)	The company acts as custodian for third parties and provides paying agent services	Trinidad & Tobago	100%
First Citizens Bank (Barbados) Limited	Banking, including the provision of mortgages for residential and commercial properties	Barbados	100%
First Citizens Costa Rica SA	Service related transactions	Costa Rica	100%
First Citizens Financial Services (St. Lucia) Limited	Selected banking and financial service operations	St. Lucia	100%
First Citizens Investment Services Limited and its Subsidiaries	Investment & asset management services and repo business	Trinidad & Tobago	100%
First Citizens Trustee Services Limited	Provision of trustee, administration and paying agency services	Trinidad & Tobago	100%

The Group also has investment in the following entities:

Infolink Services Limited	Provision of automated banking reciprocity services	Trinidad & Tobago	25%
St. Lucia Electricity Services Limited	Provision of electrical power to consumers	St. Lucia	19%
Term Finance (Holdings) Limited	Provision of short term loans to individuals and small-medium size businesses	Trinidad & Tobago	19.99%

2 Basis of preparation

The interim consolidated financial statement for the six months period ended 31 March 2024, has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" and should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2023.

3 Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the interim financial statement are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the annual financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2023.

4 Commitments

4	Commitments			
		Mar 2024 \$'000	Mar 2023 \$'000	Sept 2023 \$'000
	Capital Commitments	•		
	Capital expenditure approved by the Directors but			
	not provided for in these accounts	146,088	194,108	186,348
	Credit Commitments			
	Commitments for loans approved not yet disbursed	740,345	849,073	913,247
5	Credit impairment losses / write back			
	·	Mar 2024	Mar 2023	Sept 2023
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
	Expected Credit Losses			
	Loans and advances	(10,127)	(2,143)	(56,163)
	Other financial assets	6.856	3.132	17.735

Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements (Continued)

6 Related Party Transactions

	Mar 2024	Mar 2023	Sept 202
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'00
Salaries and other short-term employee benefits	37,540	36,575	61,64
Loans and receivables	19,200	19,955	16,84
Interest income	418	412	79
Customers' Deposits	23,681	34,041	29,3
Interest expense	130	162	3
Other Funding instruments	1,171	2,006	2,3
Interest expense-Other funding	21	75	1

(b)	Transactions with Parent			
	Customers' Deposit	63,703	4,831	62,423
	Long-term notes		58,000	
	Due from parent	228	286	
(c)	Pension Plan			
	Employer's contribution	29,286	28,931	56,783

(d) Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

In 2009, the Bank entered into a Liquidity Support Agreement with GORTT and the Central Bank in relation to the acquisition of the shares of Caribbean Money Market Brokers Limited, now First Citizens Investment Services Limited which provided indemnification of the Bank against certain losses.

The current amount outstanding on these arrangements and obligations and the related income and expenses are disclosed below: -

	Mar 2024 \$'000	Mar 2023 \$'000	Sept 2023 \$'000
Liabilities			
Due to GORTT	27,157	26,572	26,572

(e) Other transactions with the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

In addition to the balances in (d) above, the Group in its ordinary course of business enters into lending, deposit and investment transactions with the GORTT, other state owned institutions, state agencies and local government bodies. Transactions and balances between the Group and these related parties are as follows:

Mar 2024	Mar 2023	Sept 2023
\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
3,214,378	3,207,920	3,349,488
114,024	108,458	234,544
9,975,948	10,602,175	10,038,125
8,971	9,127	17,325
7,185,205	6,896,523	6,925,769
258,833	185,274	428,464
688,443	419,389	591,474
2,787	2,153	7,359
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(f) The (COVID – 19) Small & Medium Enterprises (SME) Stimulus Loan is an initiative the GORTT embarked upon, geared specifically towards bringing relief to the Small and Medium Enterprises businesses that were negatively affected as a result of the crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The GORTT provided a guarantee for 75% or 100% of the loan value. The interest on these loans will be paid by the GORTT for the duration of the loan.

Mar 2024	Mar 2023	Sept 2023	
\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
58,770	63,890	61,759	
892	953	1,884	
	\$'000 58,770	\$'000 \$'000 58,770 63,890	

7 Litigation

(38,428)

The Group is involved in claims and counterclaims arising from the conduct of its business. Based on the facts now known to the Group, the Directors believe that the outcome of these matters would not have a material adverse effect on the position of the Group.

8 Segment Reporting

The segmental information used by the Executive and Senior Management is as follows:-

	Retail & Corporate Banking \$'000	Treasury & Investment Banking \$'000	Trustee & Asset Management \$'000	Group Functions \$'000	Eliminations \$'000	Total \$'000	
Period ended 31 March 2024							
Total net revenue	942,425	432,803	50,520	345,426	(431,103)	1,340,071	
Profit Before Taxation	523,030	289,767	29,235	169,410	(409,186)	602,256	
Total Assets	24,493,555	21,872,526	594,274	559,874	(2,022,190)	45,498,039	
Period ended31 March 2023							
Total net revenue	843,588	543,687	50,014	2,228	(269,449)	1,170,068	
Profit Before Taxation	484,116	396,394	24,854	(143,179)	(252,022)	510,163	
Total Assets	22,914,612	22,789,122	460,345	667,459	(2,101,594)	44,729,944	
Year ended 30 September 2023							
Total net revenue	1,770,246	930,233	102,251	455,360	(785,634)	2,472,456	
Profit Before Taxation	965,460	654,964	52,446	143,522	(746,540)	1,069,852	
Total Assets	23,669,181	22,259,328	462,655	6,546,879	(8,141,713)	44,796,330	