

# **The South African Bank of Athens Limited**

PILLAR 3 REGULATORY REPORT

**March 2017**



**BANK OF ATHENS**

*Business and Commercial Bank*

## **1. Introduction**

The purpose of this document is to disclose both qualitative and quantitative information regarding the Bank's capital adequacy position, risk profile and risk management practices in terms of the Basel III requirements under Regulation 43 of the regulations relating to banks.

In terms of Regulation 43(1)(e)(iii) of regulations relating to banks, minimum disclosure on capital adequacy of the bank is required on a quarterly basis. This announcement meets the on-going report requirement for quarterly disclosure in terms of Pillar 3 of the Basel III capital accord.

The Pillar 3 report is produced and published quarterly. This report is verified and approved internally in line with the Bank's disclosure policy.

The Pillar 3 report has not been audited by the Bank's external auditors.

### **Business Profile**

The South African Bank of Athens Limited ('the Bank') was established in 1947 and is a 99,81% subsidiary of National Bank of Greece S.A. (NBG), a major international banking and financial services provider. The parent company's commitment to and close involvement with the Bank provides a solid foundation and contact with the financial centres of the world.

### **Restrictions on transfer of funds or regulatory capital**

There are currently no restrictions or other major impediments on the transfer of funds or capital within the Bank.

## **2. Capital Management**

The Bank is subject to minimum capital requirements as defined in the Banks Act and Regulations pertaining to Banks.

The Risk Management Committee considers the various risks faced by the Bank and analyses the need to hold capital against these risks whilst taking account of the regulatory requirements. In addition, the level of capital required to support the Bank's targeted business growth is taken into consideration.

The objective of the Bank's capital management approach is to ensure the maintenance of sound capital ratios, taking all the above requirements into account, whilst producing appropriate returns to shareholders. The Bank's objectives when managing capital, which is a broader concept than the 'equity' on the face of the statement of financial position, are:

- To comply with the capital requirements set by the regulators of the banking industry in which the Bank operates;
- To safeguard the Bank's ability to continue as a going concern so that it can continue to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders; and
- To maintain a strong capital base to support the development of its business.

The capital of the Bank consists of Tier 1 capital and Tier 2 capital.

Capital adequacy and the use of regulatory capital are monitored by ALCCO, employing techniques based on the guidelines developed by the Basel Committee, as implemented by the South African Reserve Bank (SARB), for supervisory purposes. The required information is filed with the SARB on a monthly basis.

The Bank maintains a ratio of total regulatory capital to its risk-weighted assets above a minimum level agreed with the SARB which takes into account the risk profile of the Bank.

The South African Bank of Athens remained above the minimum required capital adequacy ratio as at the 31 March 2017 with a total capital adequacy of 14.62% and a Tier 1 capital adequacy of 10.92%, exceeding minimum regulatory requirements.

The regulatory capital requirements are strictly observed when managing economic capital. The Bank's regulatory capital comprises two tiers:

- Tier 1 capital: share capital, general bank reserve, statutory reserve, retained earnings and reserves created by appropriations of retained earnings. The book value of goodwill is deducted in arriving at Tier 1 capital; and
- Tier 2 capital: collective impairment allowances and debentures

#### Regulatory Capital and Risk weighted assets – Table 2.1

	<b>R'000</b>
	<b>31-Mar-17</b>
Ordinary Share Capital	30,092
Share Premium	393,093
Revaluation Reserves	4,693
<b>Total common equity tier 1 capital and unimpaired reserve funds</b>	<b>427,878</b>
Retained Earnings/(Loss)	-141,086
Regulatory deductions against primary capital	-78,594
<b>Total common equity tier 1 capital after regulatory adjustments</b>	<b>208,198</b>
<b>Tier 2 capital</b>	
General Provisions	20,564
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Actual general provision – 20,993</li> <li>▪ Capped general provision 1.25% of RWA – 20,564</li> </ul>	
Long-term debt instrument (Debentures)	50,000
<b>Total qualifying capital and reserve funds</b>	<b>278,762</b>
<b>Risk Weighted Assets</b>	<b>1,906,090</b>
Total Capital adequacy ratio	14.62%
Tier 1 Capital adequacy ratio	10.92%

**Required capital adequacy ratios and amounts - Table 2.2**

	31-Mar-17	
	Percentages	Rand amounts (R'000)
	Common Equity Tier 1	Common Equity Tier 1
Base minimum (2)	4.50%	85,774
Add-on: systemic risk add-on (Pillar 2A)	1.50%	28,591
Add-on: conservation buffer (6)	1.25%	23,826

### Capital Structure

The Bank has one class of ordinary shares which carry no right to fixed income. The unissued shares are under the control of the directors subject to notification to and specific approval by National Bank of Greece S.A., until the next Annual General Meeting.

**Capital Structure – Table 2.3**

	Mar-17
	R'000
<b>Authorised</b>	
100 000 000 ordinary shares of R1 each (par value)	100,000
<b>Issued</b>	
30 092 000 Ordinary Shares at R1 each	30,092
<b>Share Premium</b>	
Share Premium	393,093

**Debt instruments – Table 2.4**

	Mar-17
	R'000
<b>Term-debt instruments</b>	
Debentures	50 000