

## **The Board of Directors' statement on the proposed dividend**

pursuant to Chapter 18, Section 4 of the Swedish Companies Act

The Board of Directors considers that the company's and the group's equity capital after the proposed dividend of SEK 8.75 per share is sufficient in relation to the nature, scope, risks, consolidation needs, liquidity and general financial position and that it enables the company and the group to fulfil their obligations and make desirable investments. The company's equity capital would have been SEK 1,091,909,955 higher if assets and liabilities had not been valued at fair value pursuant to Chapter 4, Section 14 a of the Swedish Annual Accounts Act.

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