Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report For the period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

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Independent Auditor's Report

Messers Chairman and Members of the Board of Directors Palestine Deposit Insurance Corporation Ramallah - Palestine

Report on the financial statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Palestine Deposit Insurance Corporation - (the "Corporation")**, Which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2014, and the statement of income, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity, and statement of cash flows for the period from inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's responsibility for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the provisions of law No (7) for the year 2013 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.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.



Independent Auditor's Report (Continued)

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **Palestine Deposit Insurance Corporation** as of December 31, 2014, its financial performance and its cash flows for the period from inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014 in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and in conformity with the provisions of law No. (7) for the year 2013 related to the incorporation of Palestine Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

The Corporation maintains proper books of account and the financial statements are in agreement therewith. According to the information available to us, nothing has come to our attention that caused us to believe that there were contraventions during the period, of Law No. (7) for the year 2013, which might have a material effect on its financial performance or its financial position as at 31 December 2014, except for non-compliance with the provisions of Article No (14) of law No. (7), which states that the "Government contribution in the share capital of the corporation amounting to USD 20 million should be paid within 30 days from the effective date of the law". As of 31 December 2014, the Government contributed the amount of USD 2 million.

We have obtained from management all the information and explanations which we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit.

Deloitte & Touche M.E

Ramallah: March 30, 2015

Statement of Financial Position As of December 31, 2014

ASSETS	Note	2014 USD
Balances with Banks and Palestine Monetary Authority	5	19,029,622
Contributions and Membership Fees Receivable	6	6,107,451
Other Current Assets		15,702
Property and Equipment, Net	7	217,592
Total Assets		25,370,367
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY Liabilities Other Current Liabilities Provision for Employees' Benefits Total Liabilities	8 _	16,815 12,752 29,567
Equity		
Share Capital	9	3,700,000
Reserves:	9 4 -9	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Islamic Banks Reserves	10	2,233,363
Commercial Banks Reserves	10	19,407,437
	_	21,640,800
Total Equity	-	25,340,800
Total Liabilities and Equity	-	25,370,367

Statement	of l	ncome

For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

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	Note	USD
Membership Fees	11	22,210,700
Other Revenue		37,528
Total Revenue		22,248,228
Employees Expenses		(60,767)
Depreciation	7	(6,663)
General and Administrative Expenses	12	(268,233)
Foreign Exchange Loss		(271,765)
Total Expenses		(607,428)
Net Surplus for the Period		21,640,800

Statement of Comprehensive Income For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

	2014 USD
Net Surplus for the Period	21,640,800
Other Comprehensive Income	-
Total Comprehensive Income for the Period	21,640,800

Statement of Changes in Equity For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

	Share Capital USD	Reserves USD	Total Equity USD
Beginning Balance	=	1=1	全:
Paid in Capital	3,700,000	1-0	3,700,000
Total Comprehensive Income for the Period		21,640,800	21,640,800
Balance as of 31 December 2014	3,700,000	21,640,800	25,340,800

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Statement of Cash Flows

For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

	Note	2014 USD
Operating Activities	11000	
Net Surplus for the Period		21,640,800
Adjustments:		
Depreciation	7	6,663
Provision for End of Service Benefits		4,043
Provision for Provident Fund Benefits	15	5,367
Cash Flow before Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities		21,656,873
(Increase) Decrease in Operating Assets		
Contributions and Membership Fees Receivable		(6,107,451)
Other Current Assets		(15,702)
Increase (Decrease) in Operating Liabilities		
Other Current Liabilities		16,815
Accrued Leave Expenses		3,342
Cash Flow from Operating Activities		15,553,877
Investing Activities		
Purchase of Property and Equipment		(224,255)
Cash (Used in) Investing Activities		(224,255)
Financing Activities		
		2 700 000
Paid in Capital		3,700,000
Cash Flow from Financing Activities		3,700,000
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalent	5	19,029,622
Cash and Cash Equivalent at Beginning of the Period		-
Cash and Cash Equivalent at End of the Period		19,029,622

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

1. General

The Palestinian Deposit Insurance ("The Corporation") was established by virtue of the Presidential Decree Law No. (7) for the year 2013 (the "Law"), issued on May 29, 2013 by the President of the State of Palestine; and the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, and became effective on November 7, 2013.

Equity of the Corporation:

Equity of the Corporation consists of the following:

- The government's contribution of US \$ 20 million or its equivalent, to be paid within thirty days from the effective date of the "law".
- Non-refundable incorporation fees of US \$ 100,000 or its equivalent to be paid by each member during a maximum period of fifteen days from the joining date in the Corporation.
- As per Article No. (20) of the "law", the reserves that are accumulated by the corporation should be
 used to achieve its objectives and should not be less than 3% of the total deposits subject to the
 provisions of the law.

Sources of funding of the corporation

Sources of funding of the corporation consist of the following:

- Annual membership fees paid by members of the Corporation on a quarterly basis in accordance with directives issued by the Board of Directors.
- Investment returns.
- Loans obtained by the Corporation under the provisions of the "Law".
- Grants received by the Corporation and approved by the Board of Directors.

The objectives of the Corporation is to protect customers' deposits' held with member banks in order to encourage savings and strengthen confidence in the Palestinian banking system.

Number of staff of the Corporation as of 31 December 2014 was (3) employees.

These financial statements are the first audited financial statements issued by the Corporation.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorized for issuance on May 18, 2015.

2. New and Amended Standards (IFRSs) and Interpretations

2.1 New and revised IFRSs in issue but not yet effective and not early adopted

The Corporation has not early applied the following new standards, amendments and interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective:

New and revised IFRSs

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018

- International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS) 9 Financial Instruments (2014) issued in July 2014 the final draft of this standard, specifically it introduced the following:
 - 1- The new classification for debt instruments owned for the purpose of collection of cash flows with the possibility of sale, these are classified as financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income.
 - 2- The application of the anticipated loss model for the calculation of impairment loss of financial assets according to three levels starting from the determination of impairment loss during the twelve months following the preliminary recognition date of credit facilities then to determine impairment loss in case of material increase of credit facilities risks and before these credit facilities to be non performing and the final stage when these credit facilities become actually non performing.
- IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers 1 January 2017
- Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2012 2014 Cycle that include 1 July 2016 amendments to IFRS 5, IFRS 7, IAS 19 and IAS 34.
- Amendments to IAS 16 and IAS 38 to clarify the acceptable methods of depreciation and amortization.
- Amendments to IFRS 11 to clarify accounting for acquisitions of 1 January 2016 Interests in Joint Operations.
- Amendments to IAS 16 and IAS 41 require biological assets that meet the
 definition of a bearer plant to be accounted for as property, plant and
 equipment in accordance with IAS 16.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)
For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

2. New and Amended Standards (IFRSs) and Interpretations (Continued)

2.1 New and revised IFRSs in issue but not yet effective and not early adopted (continued)

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		Effective for annual periods beginning on or after
•	Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 clarify that the recognition of the gain or loss on the sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture depends on whether the assets sold or contributed constitute a business.	1 January 2016
•	Amendments to IAS 27 allow an entity to account for investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates either at cost, in accordance with IAS 39/IFRS 9 or using the equity method in an entity's separate financial statements.	1 January 2016
•	Amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 12 and IAS 28 clarifying certain aspects of applying the consolidation exception for investment entities.	1 January 2016
•	Amendments to IAS 1 to address perceived impediments to preparers exercising their judgment in presenting their financial reports.	1 January 2016
•	Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2010 - 2012 Cycle that includes amendments to IFRS 2, IFRS 3, IFRS 8, IFRS 13, IAS 16, IAS 38 and IAS 24.	1 July 2014
•	Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2011 - 2013 Cycle that includes amendments to IFRS 1, IFRS 3, IFRS 13 and IAS 40.	1 July 2014
•	Amendments to IAS 19 Employee Benefits clarify the requirements that relate to how contributions from employees or third parties that are linked to service should be attributed to periods of service.	1 July 2014

Management anticipates that these new standards, interpretations and amendments will be adopted in the Corporation's financial statements for the period beginning 1 January 2015 or as and when they are applicable and adoption of the new standards, interpretations and amendment, will not have material impact on the financial statements of the Corporation in the period of initial application.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)
For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

3. Significant Accounting Policies

3.1 Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and in accordance with the law number (7) for the year 2013 related to the incorporation of Palestine Deposit Insurance Corporation.

3.2 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for assets and services.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, regardless of whether the price is directly observable or estimated using anther valuation technique. In estimating the fair value of an asset or a liability the entity takes into account the characteristic of the asset or liability if market participants would take those characteristics into account when pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value for measurement and/or disclosure purpose in these consolidated financial statement is determined on such a basis, except to share-based payment transactions that are within the scope of IFRS 2, leasing transactions that are within the scope of IAS 17, and measurement that have some similarities to fair value but are not fair value, such as net realizable value in IAS 2 or value in use in IAS 36.

The financial statements are presented in U. S. Dollars being the functional and presentation currency.

3.3 Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognized to the degree that economic benefits flows to the corporation and the revenue could be measured reliably. Revenues are recognized on an accrual basis. Each member pays the membership fees on a quarterly basis according to the corporation law. Membership fees percentage is set between 0.03% to 0.08% as a maximum, from total deposits that are subject to the provisions of the law. The corporation board of directors has the authority to review these annual membership fees and modify them accordingly.

3.4 Property and equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any identified impairment losses.

Depreciation is computed using the straight line method when the asset is ready for use. The useful lives considered in the calculation of depreciation for the assets are as follows:

	Useful Life	Depreciation Rate
Office equipment	3 years	33%
Furniture and fixture	5 years	20%
Leasehold improvements	7 years	14%

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)
For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

- 3. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)
- 3.4 Property and equipment (Continued)

The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at each year end, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

An item of property and equipment is derecognized upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset.

3.5 Impairment of tangible assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Corporation reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Corporation estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Where a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, corporate assets are also allocated to individual cash-generating units, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest Corporation of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

3.6 Provision for employees' end of service benefits

End of service indemnity is computed in accordance with the prevailing labor law in Palestine. The provision is charged to the statement of income, while indemnities actually paid to staff are booked against the related provision account.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)
For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

3. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

3.7 Provident Fund

In addition to the severance pay, the Corporation established a provident fund scheme for its employees. The Corporation and employees contributions to the scheme are 12% and 6% respectively of monthly basic salaries.

3.8 Provisions

Provisions are recognized when the Corporation has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Corporation will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognized as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. Where a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows.

3.9 Foreign currencies

The financial statements are presented in the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (its functional currency). For the purpose of the financial statements, the results and financial position of the Corporation are expressed in United States Dollar ("US. Dollar"), which is the functional currency of the Corporation and the presentation currency for the financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements, transactions in currencies other than the entity's functional currency (foreign currencies) are recognized at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions issued by Palestine Monetary Authority (PMA). Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at the date when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated. Exchange differences are recognized in the profit or loss in the period in which they arise. The rates of exchange of the major currencies as of December 31, 2014 are as Follows:

	USD
	2014
NIS	0.256
JOD	1.410
EURO	1.210

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

3. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

3.10 Financial assets

Financial assets of the Corporation consist of banks balances and deposits held with PMA and other receivables (except for prepayments and advances to employees') those assets are classified as cash and cash equivalent and loans and advances. The classification depends on the nature and purpose of these assets and is determined at the time of initial recognition.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents, which include cash on hand and deposits held with banks with original maturities of three months or less, and short term investments which are highly liquid and are convertible to cash and are not subject to risk of change in fair value.

Accounts receivable and membership receivables

Accounts receivable that have fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as 'receivables'. Accounts receivables are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs, and subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method less any impairment.

Impairment of financial assets

At the end of the reporting period, the corporation reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangibles assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss if any such indications exist, the recoverable amounts of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment at least annually, and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

For certain categories of financial assets, such as trade receivables, assets are assessed for impairment on a collective basis even if they were assessed not to be impaired individually. Objective evidence of impairment for a portfolio of receivables could include the Entity's past experience of collecting payments, an increase in the number of delayed payments in the portfolio past the average credit period of 60 days, as well as observable changes in national or local economic conditions that correlate with default on receivables. For financial assets carried at amortized cost. The amount of the impairment loss recognized is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate.

For financial assets that are carried at cost, the amount of the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the current market rate of return for a similar financial asset. Such impairment loss will not be reversed in subsequent periods.

The carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss directly for all financial assets with the exception of trade receivables. Where the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an allowance account when a trade receivable is considered uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account Subsequent recoveries of amount previously written off are credited against the allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognized in profit or loss.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

3. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Derecognition of financial assets

The Corporation derecognizes a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity. If the Corporation neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Corporation recognizes its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Corporation retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Corporation continues to recognize the financial asset.

3.11 Financial liabilities

Other payables except for contribution from banks, and expenses paid in advance) are classified as other financial liabilities.

Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs. Other financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, with interest expense recognized on an effective yield basis except of short term payables when the recognition of interest is immaterial.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

The Corporation derecognizes financial liabilities when, and only when, the Corporation's obligations are discharged, cancelled or they expire.

4. Critical Accounting Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty

In the application of the Corporation's accounting policies, which are described in note 3, management is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revision to accounting estimates are recognized in the period of the revision in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Management believes that judgements and estimates made is reasonable and detailed as follows:

End of service Indemnity is calculated according to the applicable Labor Law in Palestine.

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each financial position date. In the event that the recoverable amount of any fixed asset is less than its net book value, the value of the fixed asset is reduced to its recoverable amount, and the impairment in value is taken to the statement of income.

Management periodically reviews lawsuits raised against the corporation and recognizes the necessary related provisions based on a legal evaluation prepared by the corporation's legal counsel.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

5. Balances with Banks and Palestine Monetary Authority

	Banks and Financial Institutions 2014 USD	Palestine Monetary Authority 2014 USD	Total 2014 USD
Current Accounts (Commercial Banks)	49,719	11,653,745	11,703,464
Current Accounts (Islamic Banks)	==	1,734,611	1,734,611
Deposits maturing within 3 months (Commercial Banks)	1,009,047	4,582,500	5,591,547
	1,058,766	17,970,856	19,029,622

6. Contributions and Membership Fees Receivable

Contributions and membership fees receivable amounting to USD 6,107,451 as of 31 December 2014 represent the accrued contributions and membership fees for the fourth quarter of 2014.

7. Property and Equipment, Net

2014 Cost	Leasehold improvements USD	Furniture and Fixture USD	Office Equipment USD	Total USD
Beginning Balance			1941	
Additions	120,058	35,808	68,389	224,255
Ending Balance	120,058	35,808	68,389	224,255
Accumulated Depreciation				
Beginning Balance				
Depreciation	921	1,595	4,147	6,663
Ending Balance	921	1,595	4,147	6,663
Property and Equipment - Net	119,137	34,213	64,242	217,592

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

8. Provision for Employees' Benefits

	2014
	USD
Employees End of Service Provision	4,043
Employees Provident Fund	5,367
Accrued Leave	3,342
	12,752

9. Share Capital

The Corporation's legal capital consists of the Palestinian government's contribution of USD 20 million or its equivalent in addition to a non-refundable incorporation fee of USD 100,000 or equivalent from each member in the corporation.

According to Article No. (14) of Law No. (7) for the year 2013, Government's contribution must be paid within thirty days effective from November 7, 2013. The Government contributed USD 2 million out of the required USD 20 million. In addition, members must pay the incorporation fee of USD 100,000 per member starting from the date of joining the corporation.

Details of the paid-in capital are as follows:

	2014
	USD
Government Contribution	2,000,000
Members Contributions – Incorporation Fees	1,700,000
	3,700,000

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued) For the Period from Inception (November 07, 2013) to December 31, 2014

10. Reserves

According to the Corporation's Law No. (7) for the year 2013, the Corporation must accumulate reserves of not less than 3% of total deposits that are subject to the provisions of this law. The reserve will be used to achieve the corporation objectives.

The Corporation reserves consist of the annual membership fee paid by the members, the return on the investments and any other returns net of the corporation's expenses.

Expenses were allocated to the Commercial and Islamic Banks' reserves as follows:

Composition of commercial and Islamic banks' reserves balance as at December 31, 2014 as follows:

	Commercial Banks 2014 USD	Islamic Banks 2014 USD	Total 2014 USD
Membership Fee and Other Revenues Expenses Net Surplus	19,952,178	2,296,050	22,248,228
	(544,741)	(62,687)	(607,428)
	19,407,437	2,233,363	21,640,800

11. Membership Fees

	2014
	USD
Commercial Banks Membership Fees	19,914,650
Islamic Banks Membership Fees	2,296,050
	22,210,700

This item represents banks' annual membership fees paid to the Corporation at the rate at 0.03% of the total deposits that are subject to the provisions of the law as of 31 December 2014.

The following deposits are excluded from the deposits that are subject to membership fees according to the provisions of the law:

- · Government deposits
- Palestine Monetary Authority deposits
- Deposits between members banks and other financial institutions
- Cash collaterals within the limits of value of the facilities guaranteed by the said collaterals
- Members related parties' deposits according to the provisions of the financial institutions law.
- Deposits of auditors /or the Sharia supervisory boards of Islamic banks.
- Restricted investments deposits according to the board of directors instructions.

During the period ended December 31, 2014, the Board of Directors, and in accordance with the authority given by the law, resolved to fix the membership fees at 0.03% of the total deposits that are subject to the provisions of law.

12. General and Administrative Expenses

	2014
	USD
Advertising	95,320
Board of Directors' Remuneration	32,400
Travel, Transportation and Accommodation	29,012
Rent	51,313
Professional Fees	4,640
Electricity and Water	1,922
Stationary and Publications	1,450
Membership Fees	32,778
Cleaning	3,140
End of Service Indemnity	4,043
Provident Fund Contribution	3,578
Mail, Telephone and Internet	1,485
Others	7,152
	268,233

13. Related Parties Transactions

Related parties consist of associate institutions and members of the Board of Directors and key management personnel.

The Palestinian Government and public institutions in Palestine are also related parties to the Corporation.

Transactions with related parties are follows:

2014 USD

Investment returns on time deposits held with PMA

26,051

14. Risk Management

Risk management of operations, measurement and monitoring of risks is done on regular basis with the objective to maintain risks within acceptable level. All tasks and responsibilities related to such risk are distributed among the corporation employees. The corporation is exposed to liquidity and market risk, in addition to operation risk. Risk management related to changing factors and to technological factors, is done through strategic planning and not through regular risk management processes.

Risk Management process

Ultimate responsibility for risk management rests with the Board of Directors.

Risk Committee

The corporation risk committee is responsible for developing a strategic risk framework to set controls, allowable risk borders, and risk management.

Risk management and reporting

Risks are controlled thorough monitoring the allowed limits related to each risk. These limits reflect the corporation strategy and market factors surrounding the level of acceptable risk, with the focus on different financial sectors. Information is gathered from different departments and analyzed to assess expected risks. This information is presented to the corporation Board of Directors and Audit Committee.

Liquidity Risk Management

Liquidity risk arises when the corporation will be unable to meet a financial commitment when due.

Ultimate responsibility for liquidity risk management rests with the board of directors, which has established an appropriate liquidity risk management framework for the management of the corporation's short-, medium- and long-term funding and liquidity management requirements. The corporation manages liquidity risk by maintaining adequate reserves by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows and by matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities.

14. Risk Management (Continued)

Market Risk Management

The corporation's activities are exposed primarily to risks of changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. The Board of Directors sets limits for acceptable risk levels, which are monitored regularly.

a. Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in market interest rates may affect the value of interest bearing assets. The management of the Corporation usually monitors the fluctuation in interest rates in every individual currency in order to maximize the benefits from placements through risk management strategy.

b. Foreign Exchange Risk Management

Foreign exchange risks are the risks of potential changes in the value of financial instruments due to change in foreign currencies rates. The US. Dollar is the functional currency of the Corporation. The board of directors monitors on regular basis the financial positions of foreign currencies and sets strategies to hedge such risks. The financial positions of foreign currencies are reviewed on a daily basis according to hedge strategies making sure that it is within an acceptable range.

c. Operation Risk

Operational risk is a risk of losses resulted from a failure of technological, operation or human errors. The Corporation minimize those risks through setting policies and procedures to monitor, evaluate and manage those risks. Monitoring includes the segregation of duties, reconciliations, and increase in staff awareness.

d. Other Risks

Other risks consist of compliance risk, legal risk and reputational risk. Compliance risk is managed by setting a framework of policies and procedures. Reputational risk is managed through continuous check of the corporation reputation.