

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Dear Shareholders,

Your Board is pleased to report that for the three months ended 31st March, 2025, the Group recorded unaudited profit attributable to equity shareholders of \$770 million, exceeding the prior year’s results of \$234 million by \$536 million or 229%. This increase was mainly attributed to the gain on sale of \$651 million as a result of the sale of 100 percent of the shares of Thoma Exploitatie B.V. on 24th January, 2025. This is included in net profit from discontinued operations after taxation. The Group recorded unaudited profit attributable to equity shareholders on continuing operations of \$120 million, lower than the prior year’s results of \$227 million by \$107 million or 47%. Import tariff changes announced by the US government on an already volatile investment market impacted on our first quarter’s performance, resulting in a year-over-year reduction in net fair value gains of \$101 million or 68%. Although this quarter’s results from continuing operations were below expectations, the underlying fundamentals of the Group remain strong. Our focus remains firmly on sustainable, long-term value creation supported by operational efficiencies, disciplined cost management, and favourable market dynamics. We expect upcoming quarters to better reflect the underlying strength of our Group.

It must be noted that our core insurance operations remain robust, as this quarter’s insurance service results are consistent with the performance recorded in Q1 2024. The Group remains sufficiently capitalised and compliant with regulatory ratios. When compared to the prior year’s results, the Group’s equity/book value per share increased from \$17.00 to \$23.26, earnings per share increased from \$1.01 to \$3.32 and return on equity decreased slightly from 24% to 23%. Balance sheet metrics remain strong, and we continue to create value for shareholders in the current operating environment. A key focus is to increase the organisation’s generation of free cash flow per share, which is essential to enabling resilience and sustainable growth. Commencing this quarter, the Group will move from bi-annual to quarterly dividend payments. This reinforces our commitment to regularly returning capital to shareholders and frequently rewarding investors with a sustainable source of cash flows. Our inaugural quarterly dividend is proposed at 21 cents per share payable on 11th June, 2025.

For the quarter ended 31st March, 2025, insurance revenues were \$1,480 million, surpassing the prior year’s revenues of \$1,412 million by \$68 million or 5% from continued growth in core business performance across our diversified operations in the English-speaking and Dutch Caribbean markets. This growth in core business was driven by the Group’s deliberate focus on key strategies and transformational initiatives to deliver the greatest possible value to our clients through our customer service and product offerings.

The Life, Health and Pension (LHP) segment contributed insurance revenues of \$734 million, up from \$700 million in the prior year by \$34 million or 5%. Insurance revenue increased on all lines except for Group Life and Group Health, which were marginally lower than the prior year. In this quarter, the LHP segment generated \$82 million in new business contractual service margin compared to the prior year’s new business of \$97 million, as we continue to sell new policies and retain and service existing business. This year-over-year increase in revenue was partially offset by increased insurance service expenses and higher net expenses from reinsurance contracts held. Total gross claims paid by the LHP Segment for the current quarter amounted to \$782 million compared to \$733 million in the prior year’s quarter.

Property and Casualty (P&C) also reported higher insurance revenue of \$746 million, up from \$712 million in the prior year by \$34 million or 5%, principally from operations in the Trinidad and Dutch Caribbean markets. The property, motor and casualty lines of business experienced revenue growth as they continued to build strong momentum. The year-over-year growth in revenue was partially offset by higher insurance service expenses mainly from higher claims incurred and directly attributable expenses. Despite the continued tightening of reinsurance markets, net expenses from reinsurance contracts held declined in the current quarter mainly from a higher level of incurred claims recovery. Total gross claims paid by the P&C Segment for the current quarter amounted to \$210 million compared to \$161 million in the prior year’s quarter.

Net income from investing activities decreased by \$102 million or 19%, mainly driven by the year over year decline in net fair value gains of \$101 million referenced earlier. Your Group continues to closely monitor volatile markets and rebalance investment portfolios, being impacted by announcements regarding trade tariffs given their impact on the global economy.

Net insurance finance expenses increased by \$7 million or 3% over the prior year, mainly from our LHP segment partially offset by a decrease in the P&C segment. Among other items, finance expenses include the flow through of the portion of net income from investment activities that are associated with insurance products with an investment component.

The Insurance Brokerage segment recorded fee and commission income of \$35 million, 2% ahead of the prior year. The Asset Management segment reported a year-over-year decline in after-tax profit for the period of \$16 million, mainly driven by lower net income from investing activities. The Group continues to focus efforts on developing this segment through third-party business, increased structuring, and trade activities.

Other operating expenses that were not attributable to insurance portfolios increased by \$18 million or 10% year over year. This was in part due to a combination of inflationary impacts on our cost structure and increased expenditure to support our commercial activities offset by a reduction in controllable expenses from active management of operating expenses.

Your Group remains focused on its journey to perfect and protect our core which remains at the heart of our operations. As we continue to implement planned changes, the Group remains resolute on optimising performance whilst building out the phases of our strategic journey geared toward further technological enhancements, exploring new markets, strengthening our product portfolio, and improving our service delivery.

I wish to thank our Board, management, staff, parent, shareholders and most importantly our customers for their loyalty and continuing support.



Robert Almeida

Chairman
Guardian Holdings Limited
1st May, 2025

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

	Unaudited 3-Months Mar 2025 TT\$’000	Unaudited 3-Months Mar 2024 TT\$’000	Audited 12-Months Dec 2024 TT\$’000
Insurance revenue	1,479,981	1,411,522	5,878,384
Insurance service expenses	(1,011,350)	(903,978)	(3,686,251)
Net expenses from reinsurance contracts held	(287,494)	(325,664)	(1,306,290)
Insurance service result	181,137	181,880	885,843
Investment income from financial assets measured at amortised cost and fair value through other comprehensive income	209,290	205,755	831,035
Investment income from financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss	142,881	145,706	598,042
Net realised gains	7,324	1,423	51,702
Net fair value gains	47,392	148,196	345,583
Fee income	21,141	21,346	83,106
Other income	46,666	26,570	206,238
Net impairment (losses)/gains on financial assets	(24,564)	1,302	(46,902)
Investment contract benefits	(18,379)	(16,832)	(71,412)
Net income from investing activities	431,751	533,466	1,997,392
Finance expenses from insurance contracts issued	(220,909)	(214,868)	(846,095)
Finance income from reinsurance contracts held	233	1,323	53
Net insurance finance expenses	(220,676)	(213,545)	(846,042)
Net insurance and investment result	392,212	501,801	2,037,193
Fee and commission income from brokerage activities	20,195	21,593	57,783
Net income from all activities	412,407	523,394	2,094,976
Other operating expenses	(206,718)	(188,444)	(836,409)
Other finance charges	(47,584)	(43,872)	(189,987)
Operating profit	158,105	291,078	1,068,580
Share of after tax profits of associated companies	5,894	3,747	30,872
Profit before taxation	163,999	294,825	1,099,452
Taxation	(42,613)	(65,350)	(250,995)
Profit from continuing operations after taxation	121,386	229,475	848,457
Profit from discontinued operations after taxation	649,917	7,198	8,380
Profit for the period	771,303	236,673	856,837
Profit attributable to non-controlling interest	(1,745)	(2,844)	(6,691)
Profit attributable to owners of the company	769,558	233,829	850,146
Earnings per share			
- Basic and diluted	\$3.32	\$1.01	\$3.66
- Basic and diluted - for continuing operations	\$0.52	\$0.98	\$3.63


SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Unaudited 3-Months Mar 2025 TT\$’000	Unaudited 3-Months Mar 2024 TT\$’000	Audited 12-Months Dec 2024 TT\$’000
Profit for the period	771,303	236,673	856,837
Other comprehensive income/(loss)			
<i>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:</i>			
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations	8,604	35,830	(55,202)
Net fair value gains/(losses) on debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	57,408	(24,932)	29,806
Net change in allowance for expected credit losses on debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	3,025	(2,144)	(1,744)
Net gains on debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income reclassified to profit or loss on disposal	-	-	(654)
Finance (expenses)/income from insurance contracts issued	(34,123)	53,580	195,731
Finance (expenses)/income from reinsurance contracts held	(8)	49	98
Taxation relating to components of other comprehensive income	(6,657)	7,063	(8,267)
Net other comprehensive income that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	28,249	69,446	159,768
<i>Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:</i>			
Gains on property revaluation	-	-	7,205
Remeasurement of pension plans	-	-	(35,076)
Remeasurement of post-retirement medical benefit obligations	-	-	2,607
Share of other comprehensive income of associated companies	-	44	167
Taxation relating to components of other comprehensive income	-	(558)	258
Net other comprehensive loss that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss	-	(514)	(24,839)
Other comprehensive income for the period, net of taxation	28,249	68,932	134,929
Total comprehensive income for the period, net of taxation	799,552	305,605	991,766
Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interest	(1,740)	(2,876)	(6,753)
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of the company	797,812	302,729	985,013

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Unaudited Mar 2025 TT\$'000	Unaudited Mar 2024 TT\$'000 (Restated)	Audited Dec 2024 TT\$'000
ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	636,835	716,267	637,734
Right-of-use assets	39,780	56,455	43,632
Investment properties	1,566,871	1,567,463	1,559,542
Intangible assets	604,517	683,177	610,633
Investment in associated companies	328,061	313,327	326,204
Investment securities	27,052,217	25,409,778	25,512,188
Loans and receivables	2,558,764	2,291,149	2,350,057
Properties for development and sale	150,828	172,330	149,541
Pension plan assets	81,631	95,293	80,311
Deferred tax assets	150,400	197,523	164,287
Reinsurance contract assets	1,035,760	852,665	795,121
Insurance contract assets	157,656	91,893	154,755
Taxation recoverable	277,425	224,606	265,575
Cash and cash equivalents	3,373,948	3,595,027	4,046,938
Assets held for sale	-	-	262,005
Total assets	38,014,693	36,266,953	36,958,523
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Share capital	1,970,090	1,970,043	1,970,090
Reserves	(309,386)	(450,559)	(362,854)
Retained earnings	3,735,927	2,425,153	2,966,368
Equity attributable to owners of the company	5,396,631	3,944,637	4,573,604
Non-controlling interest in subsidiary	14,978	14,806	13,238
Total equity	5,411,609	3,959,443	4,586,842
Liabilities			
Insurance contract liabilities	23,387,703	22,550,737	23,074,425
Reinsurance contract liabilities	193,988	229,633	140,297
Financial liabilities	3,601,840	3,699,859	3,661,250
Lease liabilities	45,741	64,015	49,951
Investment contract liabilities	2,010,557	2,055,787	2,107,775
Third party interests in mutual funds	1,573,385	1,662,281	1,579,685
Pension plan liabilities	14,008	17,808	29,494
Post-retirement medical benefit obligations	125,537	124,033	124,582
Deferred tax liabilities	335,872	342,216	345,454
Provision for taxation	221,213	203,838	247,660
Other liabilities	1,093,240	1,357,303	963,884
Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale	-	-	47,224
Total liabilities	32,603,084	32,307,510	32,371,681
Total equity and liabilities	38,014,693	36,266,953	36,958,523

These consolidated financial statements have been approved for issue by the Board of Directors on 1st May 2025 and signed on its behalf :

Director:  Director: 

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Share capital TT\$'000	Reserves TT\$'000	Retained earnings TT\$'000	Equity attributable to owners of the company TT\$'000	Non- controlling interest TT\$'000	Total equity TT\$'000
Three months ended 31 March 2025						
Balance at beginning of period	1,970,090	(362,854)	2,966,368	4,573,604	13,238	4,586,842
Total comprehensive income	-	28,253	769,559	797,812	1,740	799,552
Disposal of discontinued operations	-	25,215	-	25,215	-	25,215
Balance at end of period	1,970,090	(309,386)	3,735,927	5,396,631	14,978	5,411,609
Three months ended 31 March 2024						
Balance at beginning of period - restated	1,970,043	(519,878)	2,314,716	3,764,881	11,930	3,776,811
Total comprehensive income	-	69,319	233,410	302,729	2,876	305,605
Dividends	-	-	(122,973)	(122,973)	-	(122,973)
Balance at end of period - restated	1,970,043	(450,559)	2,425,153	3,944,637	14,806	3,959,443

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Unaudited Mar 2025 TT\$'000	Unaudited Mar 2024 TT\$'000	Audited Dec 2024 TT\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit before taxation from continuing operations	163,999	294,825	1,099,452
Profit before taxation from discontinued operations	649,917	11,354	19,705
Adjustment for specific items included on the accruals basis:			
- Other finance charges	47,584	44,037	190,676
- Investment income	(361,448)	(359,483)	(1,467,863)
Interest and dividends received	310,951	292,943	1,494,257
Adjustments for non-cash items	(661,505)	(131,442)	(311,369)
Operating profit before changes in operating assets/liabilities	149,498	152,234	1,024,858
Change in insurance contract assets/liabilities	325,838	244,554	904,241
Change in reinsurance contract assets/liabilities	(188,071)	(32,469)	(65,418)
Net (decrease)/increase in investment contracts	(84,537)	21,504	84,823
Purchase of investment securities	(4,060,213)	(2,405,983)	(9,077,872)
Proceeds from sale of investment securities	2,520,923	2,354,413	9,047,370
Purchase of/additions to investment properties	(5,331)	(834)	(4,473)
Proceeds from sale of investment property	11,008	1,502	7,739
Additions to properties for development and sale	(956)	(3,242)	(8,096)
Proceeds from sale of properties for development and sale	5,116	13	28,971
Net increase in loans and receivables	(198,186)	(310,173)	(434,058)
Net increase in other operating assets/liabilities	170,076	298,861	43,874
Cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	(1,354,835)	320,380	1,551,959
Interest paid	(17,669)	(15,347)	(211,496)
Net taxation paid	(83,897)	(52,828)	(219,905)
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	(1,456,401)	252,205	1,120,558
Cash flows from investing activities			
Proceeds from sale of discontinued operations	888,007	-	-
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(10,751)	(15,926)	(31,779)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	2,861	96	49,862
Purchase of intangible assets	(3,695)	(252)	(57,109)
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	876,422	(16,082)	(39,026)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings and repurchase agreements	92,052	413,543	549,716
Repayments of borrowings and repurchase agreements	(182,988)	(24,653)	(164,215)
Payment of principal portion of lease liabilities	(3,615)	(4,765)	(16,239)
Dividends paid to equity holders of the company	-	-	(176,337)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interest	-	-	(5,445)
Redemptions from mutual funds	(673,008)	(236,257)	(933,883)
Subscriptions to mutual funds	686,218	238,364	864,263
Net cash (used in)/provided by financing activities	(81,341)	386,232	117,860
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(661,320)	622,355	1,199,392
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	4,046,938	2,955,965	2,955,965
Net impairment gain	2,422	1,032	663
Transfer to assets held for sale	-	-	(116,986)
Exchange rate adjustments	(14,092)	15,675	7,904
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	3,373,948	3,595,027	4,046,938
Comprising:			
Cash at bank and in hand	2,357,508	2,828,986	2,613,741
Short-term deposits (90 days or less)	1,025,517	781,076	1,444,708
Cash and cash equivalents	3,383,025	3,610,062	4,058,449
Loss allowance	(9,077)	(15,035)	(11,511)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	3,373,948	3,595,027	4,046,938

SEGMENT INFORMATION

	Life, health and pension business TT\$'000	Property and casualty business TT\$'000	Insurance brokerage business TT\$'000	Asset Management TT\$'000	Other including consolidation adjustments TT\$'000	Total TT\$'000
Three months ended 31 March 2025						
Insurance revenue	733,695	746,286	-	-	-	1,479,981
Insurance service expenses	(617,191)	(406,710)	-	-	12,551	(1,011,350)
Net expenses from reinsurance contracts held	(14,627)	(272,905)	-	-	38	(287,494)
Insurance service result	101,877	66,671	-	-	12,589	181,137
Net income from investing activities	381,627	26,950	452	17,592	5,130	431,751
Net insurance finance expenses	(217,487)	(3,189)	-	-	-	(220,676)
Net insurance and investment result	266,017	90,432	452	17,592	17,719	392,212
Fee and commission income from brokerage activities	-	-	34,732	-	(14,537)	20,195
Net income from all activities	266,017	90,432	35,184	17,592	3,182	412,407
Other operating expenses	(105,510)	(30,380)	(23,355)	(13,976)	(33,497)	(206,718)
Other finance charges	(821)	(174)	(87)	(1,904)	(44,598)	(47,584)
Operating profit/(loss)	159,686	59,878	11,742	1,712	(74,913)	158,105
Share of after tax profits of associated companies	-	2,664	-	-	3,230	5,894
Profit/(loss) before taxation	159,686	62,542	11,742	1,712	(71,683)	163,999
Taxation	(26,311)	(12,818)	(663)	(1,769)	(1,052)	(42,613)
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations after taxation	133,375	49,724	11,079	(57)	(72,735)	121,386
Profit from discontinued operations after taxation	-	-	649,917	-	-	649,917
Profit/(loss) for the period	133,375	49,724	660,996	(57)	(72,735)	771,303
Three months ended 31 March 2024						
Insurance revenue	699,264	712,258	-	-	-	1,411,522
Insurance service expenses	(597,434)	(323,663)	-	-	17,119	(903,978)
Net expenses from reinsurance contracts held	(43)	(325,659)	-	-	38	(325,664)
Insurance service result	101,787	62,936	-	-	17,157	181,880
Net income/(loss) from investing activities	471,247	35,296	481	36,585	(10,143)	533,466
Net insurance finance expenses	(201,193)	(12,352)	-	-	-	(213,545)
Net insurance and investment result	371,841	85,880	481	36,585	7,014	501,801
Fee and commission income from brokerage activities	-	-	34,213	-	(12,620)	21,593
Net income/(loss) from all activities	371,841	85,880	34,694	36,585	(5,606)	523,394
Other operating expenses	(91,834)	(34,126)	(20,926)	(14,631)	(26,927)	(188,444)
Other finance charges	(994)	(986)	(110)	(1,413)	(40,369)	(43,872)
Operating profit/(loss)	279,013	50,768	13,658	20,541	(72,902)	291,078
Share of after tax profits of associated companies	-	955	-	-	2,792	3,747
Profit/(loss) before taxation	279,013	51,723	13,658	20,541	(70,110)	294,825
Taxation	(50,881)	(9,145)	(656)	(4,297)	(371)	(65,350)
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations after taxation	228,132	42,578	13,002	16,244	(70,481)	229,475
Profit/(loss) from discontinued operations after taxation	-	-	13,810	-	(6,612)	7,198
Profit/(loss) for the period	228,132	42,578	26,812	16,244	(77,093)	236,673
Total Assets						
31 March 2025	30,732,351	3,985,026	383,656	2,542,020	371,640	38,014,693
31 March 2024	28,869,653	3,829,296	706,597	2,327,086	534,321	36,266,953

Note 1: Basis of Preparation

The summary consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with criteria developed by management. Under management’s established criteria, management discloses the summary consolidated statement of financial position, summary consolidated statement of income, summary consolidated statement of comprehensive income, summary consolidated statement of changes in equity and summary consolidated statement of cash flows.

The summary consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in “Note 2” of the 31 December 2024 audited consolidated financial statements consistently applied from period to period. Any new accounting standards or interpretations which became effective in this financial year have had no material impact on the Group. The areas of critical accounting estimate and judgement as disclosed in “Note 3” of the 31 December 2024 audited consolidated financial statements, have also remained unchanged.

Note 2: Restatements and reclassifications

As disclosed in the Group’s 31 December 2024 audited consolidated financial statements, the Group identified certain errors during 2024, which were corrected retrospectively in the prior periods to which they relate. Consequently, the Group has restated its 31 March 2024 comparative amounts for these corrections, which had no impact on the consolidated statement of income, consolidated statement of comprehensive income and consolidated statement of cash flows.

Note 3: Disposal of discontinued operations

On 24th January 2025, the Group successfully closed the sale of Thoma Exploitatie B.V. and its subsidiary companies (collectively, the Thoma Group). The Group recognised a gain on sale of \$651 million in the consolidated statement of income, within Profit from discontinued operations after taxation.

Forward-looking statements

This statement may contain certain forward-looking statements, including but not limited to, statements as to future operating results and plans that involve risks and uncertainties. We use words such as “expects”, “anticipates”, “believes”, or “estimates”, the negative of these terms and similar expressions to identify forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to differ materially from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by those projected in the forward-looking statements for any reason.