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GIL RECORDED AN ANNUAL GROWTH OF 9.8% IN NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE AND 11.5% INCREASE IN TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR OF 2017

- Total comprehensive income increased by 11.5% from S\$27.0 million for the full year ended 31 December 2016 to S\$30.1 million for the full year ended 31 December 2017
- Net asset value per share was 20.95 Singapore cents as at 31 December 2017, an increase of 9.8% from 2016 after adjusting for dividends distributed
- Final dividend of 0.60 Singapore cents per share, amounting to a total dividend of 1.25 Singapore cents per share in respect of year ended 31 December 2017

Global Investments Limited (the "Company") has today released its financial results for the quarter ended 31 December 2017.

4Q 2017 Results

The Company and its subsidiaries (the Group) recorded a higher profit after tax of S\$21.8 million in the current quarter as compared to S\$0.3 million in 4Q 2016. Total comprehensive income for the quarter of S\$11.7 million was higher than the S\$10.1 million recorded in the same quarter of previous year.

Revenue for the current quarter of \$\$21.4 million was 2.6 times higher than the \$\$6.0 million recorded in 4Q 2016. The higher revenue was mainly due to the net gain on sale of investments of \$16.8 million as compared to \$\$0.3 million in 4Q 2016. The higher revenue was slightly offset by lower interest income and lower gain on financial assets designated as fair value through profit or loss.

Expenses for the current quarter was higher at \$\$5.7 million compared to \$\$3.1 million in the same quarter last year. This was due mainly to higher net foreign exchange loss of \$\$5.3 million as a result of the depreciation of currencies (USD, AUD, EUR, and HKD) against SGD. The higher expense was slightly offset by the reversal of 2H 2017 manager incentive fee of \$\$0.7 million accrued in 3Q 2017. The incentive fee payable for 2H 2017 of \$\$0.9 million has been waived by the manager.

During the quarter, the Group recognised a net reversal of impairment expense of S\$6.1 million for its portfolio of listed equities, bonds, bank contingent convertibles and collateralised loan obligation (CLO) securities. In 4Q 2016, a net impairment expense of S\$2.6 million was recorded for its portfolio of listed equities and bonds.

Other comprehensive income for the Group amounted to a loss of S\$10.2 million in the current quarter versus a S\$9.8 million income in 4Q 2016. The negative other comprehensive income for the current quarter was mainly due to the reclassification of fair value gain of S\$15.5 million to profit or loss following reversals of impairment and sale of available-for-sale (AFS) financial assets. The loss was slightly offset by a fair value gain on AFS financial assets of S\$3.2 million and a translation gain of S\$2.1 million. In 4Q 2016, the other comprehensive income of S\$9.8 million was mainly attributed to fair value gain of S\$3.9 million and a translation gain of S\$5.1 million.

Year ended 31 December 2017 Results

For the year ended 31 December 2017, the Group recorded a net profit of \$\$39.0 million which was 128.1% higher than the profit of \$\$17.1 million recorded in the previous year. Total comprehensive income of \$\$30.1 million was 11.5% higher than the \$\$27.0 million recorded last year.

Revenue for the current year was \$\$46.7 million, 33.0% higher than the \$\$35.1 million recorded last year. The higher revenue was mainly contributed by higher gain on sale of investments of \$\$25.8 million as compared to \$\$14.9 million last year. Net gain on financial assets designated as fair value through profit or loss of \$\$2.5 million was also higher as compared to the net gain of \$\$1.8 million in the prior year.

Expenses for the current year was higher at S\$11.1 million as compared to S\$7.2 million last year. This was mainly due to the manager incentive fee of S\$4.2 million in the current year compared to S\$0.6 million in the prior year. For the full year, a total of S\$2.7 million of incentive fee has been waived by the manager.



For the year ended 31 December 2017, the Group recognised a net reversal of impairment expense of S\$3.4 million arising from the portfolio of listed equities, bonds, bank contingent convertibles and CLO notes. For the year ended 31 December 2016, the Group recognised a net impairment expense of S\$10.8 million arising from the portfolio of listed equities, bond and CLO notes.

Other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2017 amounted to a loss of S\$8.8 million versus S\$10.0 million income in the prior year. The negative other comprehensive income for the year was mainly due to the reclassification of fair value gain to profit or loss of S\$17.8 million following impairment reversals and sale of AFS financial assets. A translation loss of S\$3.5 million was recorded following the depreciation of USD against SGD. The loss was partially offset by a net fair value gain of S\$12.4 million on AFS financial assets. In the prior year, the other comprehensive income of S\$10.0 million was largely attributed to fair value gain of S\$7.8 million and the reclassification of fair value loss of S\$1.6 million to profit or loss following the impairment and sale of AFS financial assets.

The net asset value per share of the Group as at 31 December 2017 was 20.14 Singapore cents after the payment of 2016 final dividend of 0.75 Singapore cents per share, 2017 interim dividend of 0.65 Singapore cents per share and taking into account the new shares issued pursuant to the Scrip Dividend Scheme. If the 2016 final dividend was paid and the shares relating to the Scrip Dividend Scheme had been issued before 31 December 2016, the net asset value per share as at 31 December 2016 would have been 19.08 Singapore cents instead of 20.03 Singapore cents per share. After adjusting for the 2017 interim dividend and shares relating to the Scrip Dividend Scheme, the net asset value per share as at 31 December 2017 would have been 20.95 Singapore cents and the increase in net asset value per share would be 9.80%.

Further details on the performance of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2017 have been included in the SGX Report released today.

By order of the Board of Directors

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Global Investments Limited ("GIL") is a mutual fund company incorporated in Bermuda that provides investors access to a diversified portfolio of assets and economic exposures. GIL is managed by Singapore Consortium Investment Management Limited.