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INTERIM REPORT for the period January -

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1472Bank of Åland Plc STOCK EXCHANGE RELEASE 15.08.2003 09.00 hrs INTERIM REPORT for the period January - June 2003 Earnings During the report period, consolidated income from financial operations amounted to EUR 14.8 million. This was EUR 1.0 M or 6.7 per cent lower than during the same period of 2002. The lower income from financial operations was attributable to narrowing customer margins due to increasingly tough competition as well as to poorer return on the Bank's core capital as a consequence of the low prevailing interest rates. Dividend income amounted to EUR 0.7 M, which was equivalent to the year-earlier level. Commission income decreased by EUR 0.8 M to EUR 4.9 M. Net income from the Bank's own securities trading rose by EUR 0.4 M to EUR 0.5 M. Net income on foreign exchange dealing, EUR 0.4 M, amounted to the year-earlier level. Other operating income rose by EUR 1.8 M to EUR 2.5 M. This included income from the sale of banking computer systems. Total income net income from financial operations and other income rose by EUR 0.3 M to EUR 23.8 M. New staff recruitments and salary adjustments in compliance with collective agreements raised staff costs by EUR 0.5 M to EUR 8.7 M. Other administrative expenses (office costs, marketing, telecommunications and computer costs) fell by EUR 0.6 M to EUR 3.9 M, mainly due to lower marketing costs. Depreciation fell by EUR 0.3 M to EUR 1.2 M and other operating expenses declined by EUR 0.2 M to EUR 1.8 M. Total expenses including planned depreciation fell by EUR 0.3 M to EUR 16.4 M. Net loan losses amounted to EUR 0.02 M (recovery) during the report period, compared to EUR 0.15 M (loss) in the same period last year. Taken together, this caused net operating profit to rise by EUR 0.9 M to EUR 7.7 M. Return on equity for the report period was 15.6 per cent. The Bank thus yielded a return on its shareholders' equity at a level about 12.5 percentage points higher than fiveyear bond yields. Deposits Deposits from the public, including bonds issued and certificates of deposit, rose during the 12 months to June 30, 2003 by 2.5 per cent to EUR 1,355 M (1,322). Deposit accounts rose by 1.2 per cent to EUR 1,085 M (1,072). During the year, the Bank floated bond issues with a nominal value of EUR 27.8 M. Lending During the 12 months to June 30, 2003, the Bank's volume of lending to the public increased by 9.0 per cent to EUR 1,275 M (1,169). Most of the increase went towards residential financing. During the report period, total lending volume rose by EUR 14.9 M or 1.2 per cent. Private households accounted for 68.2 (66.9) per cent of the Bank's total loans outstanding. Personnel At the end of June 2003, the number of employees recalculated as full-time equivalents was 372, compared to 363 on the same date in 2002, that is, an increase of 9 positions. Insider rules The Bank has accepted the Helsinki Stock Exchange's insider regulations and has established trading restrictions by which a Bank insider is not entitled to trade in the Bank's securities during a period of 14 days before publication of the Bank's annual accounts or Interim Report. Increase in share capital On June 27, 2003 (recorded in the Finnish Trade Register on August 13, 2002), the share capital of the Bank increased by EUR 1,563,966.07, equivalent to 775,132 new Series B shares, which increased the equity capital of the Bank by EUR 11,486,621.22. Of the new Series B shares, 772,100 were subscribed by Aktia Savings Bank (Aktia Sparbank Abp), which exercised the warrants it had previously purchased. After the increase in share capital, Aktia Savings Bank's holding amounted to 8.97 per cent of share capital and 2.72 per cent of voting power in the Bank of Åland Plc (Ålandsbanken Abp). Capital adequacy The Group's capital adequacy according to the Credit Institutions Act: Jun 30, 2003 Jun 30, 2002 Dec 31, 2002 Capital base, EUR M Core capital 86.7 73.5 73.3 Supplementary capital 20.3 23.2 23.2 Total capital base 107.0 96.8 96.5 Risk-weighted volume, EUR M 886.4 838.7 879.4 Total capital ratio, % 12.1 11. 5 11.0 Core capital as % of risk-weighted volume 9.8 8.8 8.3 Profit for the report period is not included in core capital. Nonperforming loans, EUR M Jun 30, 2003 Jun 30, 2002 Dec 31, 2002 2.4 2.3 2.0 Nonperforming loans amounted to 0.2 per

cent of total loans and contingent liabilities. Financal ratios Jun 30, 2003 Jun 30, 2002 Dec 31, 2002 Net operating profit per share, EUR 1 0.51 0.48 1.00 Equity capital per share, EUR 8.75 8.18 8.69 Income/expense ratio before loan losses 1.47 1.42 1.45 after loan losses 1.47 1.41 1.42 1 Net operating profit minus imputed taxes/Average number of shares, adjusted for new issue 2 Equity capital and reserves minus imputed taxes/Number of shares on balance sheet date, adjusted for new issue Bank of Åland and Aktia to initiate partnership On May 26, 2003, Finland's Aktia Savings Bank and the Bank of Åland signed a letter of intent regarding the establishment of a joint resources company, to which the banks intend to outsource part of their administrative functions and capital market operations. At the same time, Aktia intends to change its systems supplier by purchasing a licence for the Bank of Åland banking computer system. The Bank of Åland is selling a licence that entitles Aktia to use the banking computer system of the Bank of Åland, including the Internet banking facility. The joint objective of the banks is to conclude a final agreement this year and that Aktia will place the system in operation during the second quarter of 2006. The value of the contract for delivery of the banking computer system is expected to exceed EUR 30 M. Forecast for the year Due to tough competition and falling interest rates, net income from financial operations will not reach the level of recent years. Other income from banking operations and other expenses are not expected to undergo significant changes. Loan losses are projected to remain at a low level. Any new licensing income, or the licensing income from the above-mentioned sale of banking computer systems, has not been taken into account. Mariehamn, Åland, August 15, 2003 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS Statement of opinion We have conducted a review of the Interim Report of the Bank of Åland Plc (Ålandsbanken Abp) for the period January 1 June 30, 2003. This review included an analytical examination of the balance sheet and income statement items in the Interim Report. Such a review is significantly more limited in scope than a statutory audit. Nothing has emerged that indicates that the Interim Report does not fulfil the regulations in force. Mariehamn, August 15, 2003 Leif Hermans Authorised Public Accountant Per-Olof Johansson Authorised Public Accountant Marja Tikka Authorised Public Accountant INCOME STATEMENT (EUR M) The Group 1-6/03 1-6/02 1-12/02 Net income from financial operations 14.8 15.8 31.5 Income from investment in form of equity capital 0.7 0.7 0.8 Commission income 4.9 5.7 10.5 Net income from securities trans- actions and foreign exchange dealing 0.9 0.5 1.2 Other operating income 2.5 0.7 3.9 TOTAL INCOME 23.8 23.5 47.9 Commission expenses -0.8 -0.6 -1.2 Staff costs -8.7 -8.2 -16.4 Other administrative expenses -3.9 -4.5 -8.9 Depreciation -1.2 -1.5 -2.9 Other operating expenses -1.8 -2.0 -3.9 TOTAL EXPENSES -16.4 -16.7 -33. 2 Loan and guarantee losses 0.0 -0.2 -0.7 Write-downs in securities held as financial fixed assets 0.0 0.0 Share in operating results of company consolidated according to equity method 0.2 0.2 0.3 NET OPERATING PROFIT 7.7 6.8 14.2 PROFIT BEFORE APPRO- PRIATIONS AND TAXES 7.7 6.8 14.2 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