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## Mission Statement Assuria N.V.



As a financially solid organization and the trendsetter in the insurance market in Suriname, we offer assurance to our private and business clients. Our dedicated employees provide our clients with effective and efficient service which generates customer satisfaction. We are a trustworthy, reliable and healthy financial partner to our business associates, shareholders and employees.

THIS WE ARE CERTAIN OF!

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Please note that the Report of the General Management and the Financial Statements are an official English translation of the Dutch Annual Report of Assuria N.V. issued on June 8, 2018.

## Board of Directors Assuria N.V.



#### Armand K. Achaibersing MBA (59 years old) Chief Executive Officer

- Appointed as chief executive in the position of Chief Executive Officer as of July 1, 2017.
- Employed at Assuria N.V. since August 1, 1986.
- Has more than 40 years of experience in the financial sector.
- Chairman of the Board of Directors of Gulf Insurance Ltd. and Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd. (Trinidad).
- President of Assuria General (GY) Inc. and Assuria Life (GY) Inc. (Guyana).
- Chairman of the Suriname Association of Insurance Companies (Survam Dutch abbreviation).
- Holds an Audit degree and Master in Business Administration.



#### Mario R. Merhai MSc AAG (47 years old) Chief Financial & Risk Officer

- Appointed chief executive in the position of Chief Financial & Risk Officer as of July 1, 2017.
- Employed at Assuria N.V. since February 1, 1997.
- Has more than 25 years of experience in the financial sector.
- Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors of Gulf Insurance Ltd. and Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.
- Director / Corporate Secretary of the Boards of Directors of Assuria General (GY) Inc. and Assuria Life (GY) Inc.
- Member of the Supervisory Board of Torarica Holding N.V.
- Holds a Master degree in Actuarial Sciences.
- Member of the Caribbean Actuarial Association and the Actuarial Association (the Netherlands).



#### D. Rishie Parbhudayal MSc AAG (43 years old) Chief Operations Officer

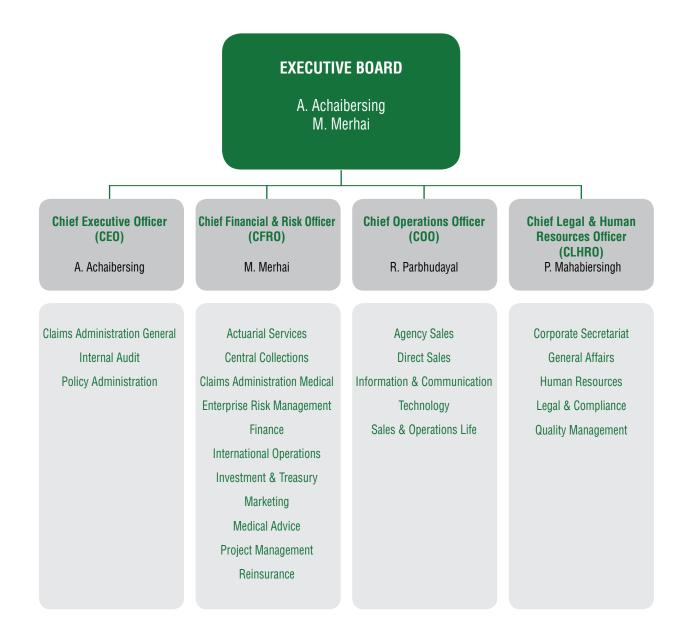
- Appointed director in the position of Chief Operations Officer as of July 1, 2017.
- Employed at Assuria N.V. since August 1, 2000
- Has more than 20 years of experience in the financial sector.
- Member of the Board of Directors of Gulf Insurance Ltd., Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd., Assuria General (GY) Inc. and Assuria Life (GY) Inc.
- Chairman of the Investment Committee of Gulf Insurance Ltd. and Assuria Guyana.
- Member of the Actuarial Association (the Netherlands) and the Caribbean Actuarial Association.
- · Holds a Master degree in Actuarial Sciences and Econometrics.



#### Petty K.S. Mahabiersingh LL.M. (52 years old) Chief Legal & Human Resources Officer

- Appointed as deputy director in the position of Chief Legal & Human Resources Officer as of July 1, 2017.
- Appointed as Executive Secretary of Assuria N.V. on January 1, 2013.
- Employed at Assuria N.V. since April 1, 1995.
- Member of the Society for Human Resource Management
- Holds a Master degree in Law.

## Organization chart per May 29, 2018



## Management foreign branches



#### Jason Clarke CFA, ACCA (46 years old) Managing Director Gulf Insurance Ltd.

- Appointed as Managing Director as of January 1, 2014.
- Employed at Gulf Insurance Ltd. since January 1, 2014.
- · Has more than 14 years experience in the field of investment banking, auditing and accounting.
- Member of the Board of Directors of Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.
- Member of the Board of Directors of the Association of Trinidad and Tobago Insurance Companies.
- Holds a Bachelor degree in Industrial Management from the University of the West Indies.
- Completed Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) professional qualifications.



## **Yogindra Arjune (39 years old)** General Manager Assuria Life (GY) Inc. en Assuria General (GY) Inc.

- Appointed as General Manager as of January 1, 2015.
- Employed at Assuria Life (GY) Inc. and Assuria General (GY) Inc. since January 1, 2012.
- Has more than 22 years of experience in the field of insurance and the insurance industry in Guyana.
- President of the Insurance Association of Guyana.
- Certified Account Technician (CAT).



## Christopher Henriques CPCU, ARM, HIA (56 years old) Managing Director Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.

- Appointed as Managing Director on April 1, 2015.
- Employed at Assuria since April 1, 2015.
- Has more than 30 years of experience in the field of insurance and the insurance industry in Trinidad & Tobago.
- President of the Rotary Club of Port of Spain West.
- Member of the International Insurance Interest Group of the CPCU Society.
  - Holds CPCU, ARM and HIA certificates.

# List of the **Directors**, **Management** and **junior staff members** as per May 29, 2018

ASSURIA N.V.: A.K Achaibersing MBA Chief Executive Officer

M.R. Merhai MSc AAG Chief Financial & Risk Officer

D.R. Parbhudayal MSc AAG *Chief Operations Officer* 

P.K.S. Mahabiersingh LL.M. Chief Legal & Human Resources Officer

**GULF INSURANCE LIMITED:** J. Clarke CFA *Managing Director* 

ASSURIA LIFE (GY) INC. ASSURIA GENERAL (GY) INC.: Y. Arjune General Manager

ASSURIA LIFE (T&T) LIMITED: C. Henriques MBA CPCU ARM ALCM Dip. Ins. Managing Director

MANAGEMENT: D.S. Badloe MSc Group Information & Communication Technology Manager

R. Bean MD *Medical Advice Officer* 

D.A. Blokland-Kalpoe MD Manager Medical Advice

M.A. Bueno de Mesquita MBA *Manager Human Resources* 

A. Debipersad-Gopisingh MBA Senior Officer Corporate and Special Account

J. Djasmadi-Jadi Manager Customer Service

S.R. Ferrier BBA QT Manager Central Collections Manager Treasury

M. Fung A Loi MBA Manager Policy Administration General

B. Gangadin LL.M. Legal & Compliance Officer J.G. Guds MICL Manager Reinsurance

D.K. Guiamo Manager Claims Administration Medical Processing

D. Jhagroe MBA Finance Officer

V. Jhinkoe-Rai - Ramsaran MSc *Manager Marketing* 

I.J. Jules B.ICT Information & Communication Technology Officer

C.R. Karwofodi MBA Manager Agency Support

F. Ketwaru Commercial Manager

F.P. King BEc. MBA Officer Corporate and Special Accounts

G.S. Laigsingh Officer Corporate and Special Accounts

G. Liauw Kie Fa MSc RA CISA *Group Financial Controller* 

S.R. Madari BEc. Group Internal Audit Manager

V.G. Mertodikromo-Hiwat B.ICT CIS LI Manager Information & Communication Technology

C. Muntslag Project Manager

S.L. Pawirodikromo BEc. Information & Communication Technology Officer

A.G.M. Pijpers MBA Manager Policy Administration Medical & Inspection

C.F. Profijt-Lim A Po MSc AAG Manager Actuarial Services

R. Rozenblad BEc. Branch Manager Insurance Walk In A.R. Sardjoe MSc Group Enterprise Risk Manager

0. Sewsaransing Branch Manager Insurance Walk In

B.K.T. Tsang BEc. Branch Manager Insurance Walk In

S.J. Williams Manager Claims Administration General

F. Woodly Manager Sales and Operations Life

#### JUNIOR MANAGEMENT:

N. Bihariesingh Junior Business Analist

N. Buitenman BEng Junior Business Analist

B. Chitanie BEng Senior Officer Actuarial Services

J. Gefferie B.Tech *Head inspector* 

P. van Kallen-Turny BA Field Operations Supervisor

M. Karsodikromo-Atmowiredjo Coordinator Sales and Operations Life

J.S. Kromosoeto-Wirosoewignjo MSc Coordinator Finance

L. Mangoensentono MSc *Coordinator Finance* 

N. Singawiredja Coordinator Customer Contact Center

J. Sjauw Mook MSc Coordinator Quality Management

U. Tedjai Unit Manager Insurance Walk In

K. Tewari Coordinator Claims Administation Medical Controlling

R. Vroom-Orie BEc BBA *Coordinator Finance* 

## Management Assuria N.V.



## Key figures Amounts in thousands of Suriname Dollars

	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Financial position					
Balance sheet total	2,385,307	2,200,785	1,386,130	973,698	855,838
Investments	1,839,270	1,734,155	1,143,685	788,653	702,132
Insurance related provisions	1,605,838	1,503,719	901,756	496,260	458,577
Shareholder's equity	260,444	309,808	306,060	359,233	297,783
Risk bearing equity	255,343	307,214	305,142	358,611	297,169
Operating results					
Gross premium income life insurance	173,692	177,420	119,853	71,541	78,027
Gross premium income non-life insurance	425,213	366,541	227,637	160,930	132,819
Reinsurance premium	-70,787	-76,353	-45,101	-40,102	-26,557
Realized investment income	101,803	90,930	58,824	48,201	41,252
Unrealized investment income	7,761	4,395	3,633	13,940	10,156
Other income	10,330	6,492	2,929	6.230	3,060
Total income	648,012	569,424	367,775	260,739	238,757
Claims and surrenders	309,166	295,004	156,978	78,296	71,747
Exchange rate differences investments related to insurance liabilities	-13,607	-372.216	-63,426	1,976	-893
Change in insurance related provisions	94,362	453,153	140,159	38,730	51,929
Operating expenses (including acquisition costs)	187,302	152,128	100,543	77,441	65,865
Profit sharing and discounts	25,377	25,349	14,207	10,203	11,541
Change in Employee Benefit Plans	1,851	505	-1,923	1,392	776
Depreciation	6,335	6,163	7,253	2,355	2,249
Total expenses	610,786	560,086	353,791	210,393	203,214
Operating results	37,226	9,338	13,984	50,346	35,543
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Exchange rate differences	8,513	152,901	29,492	-952	516
Result before taxation	45,739	162,239	43,476	49,394	36,059
Life insurance	24,243	136,182	19,692	9,631	8,030
Non-life insurance	24,376	99,418	28,574	18,985	11,398
Other activities	-2,880	-73,361	-4,790	20,778	16,631
Result before taxation	45,739	162,239	43,476	49,394	36,059
Gross profit	45,739	162,239	43,476	49,394	36,059
Net profit	32,186	68,439	43,985	45,860	34,504
Dividend	10,769	10,989	12,125	14,943	13,108
Pay-out ratio	33%	16%	28%	33%	38%
Figures per share with par value of SRD 0.10 Amounts in Suriname Dollars Gross profit	6.98	24.75	6.63	7.54	5.50
Net profit	4.91	10.44	6.71	7.00	5.26
Dividend	1.85	1.85	1.85	2.28	2.00
Shareholders' equity	39.74	47.27	46.70	54.81	45.44
Share price on stock exchange	94.20	94.75	94.75	105.00	95.75
Issued shares					
Number of issued shares	6,553,801	6,553,801	6,553,801	6,553,801	6,553,801
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The share price on the stock exchange as at May 17, 2018 amounts to SRD 93.95.

Number of shares entitled to dividend

\* The calculations of the 2016 interim dividend was based upon the number of issued shares of 6,553,801.

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## Profile of Assuria N.V.



Assuria N.V., a limited liability company, is within the insurance sector the largest concern in Suriname. As at December 31, 2017 Assuria is the holding company of the shares of Assuria *Levensverzekering* N.V. (Life insurance), Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V. (General insurance), Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V. (Medical insurance), Assuria *Beleggingsmaatschappij* N.V. (Investment company), Aarvina Trading N.V. and DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. (Real estate).

Through its operating companies Assuria offers life insurances and general insurances, including term insurances, endowments and pension insurances, motor, fire, travel and health insurances. Assuria is a large institutional investor, which is especially active in the field of mortgage loans and real estate developments. She has substantial interest in a number of leading local companies. Furthermore she invests in the international capital market. The history of the concern dates back to 1889 when the Eerste Nederlandse insurance company established its first subsidiary in Suriname. Over the years, the companies like Olveh, Ago, Manulife, Nieuwe Eerste Nederlandse, SURAM, NEN *Schadeverzekering*, De Nationale, ENNA and NIFM have become a part of what is presently the Assuria group.

Assuria is active on the Guyanese insurance market through her subsidiaries Assuria General (GY) Inc. and Assuria Life (GY) Inc. These companies contributes the following insurances in Guyana: fire, traffic, liability, life and pension insurance.

Assuria is also active on the insurance market of Trinidad & Tobago via Gulf Insurance Ltd. and Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd. Gulf Insurance Ltd. offers general insurances to Trinidad & Tobago and various Caribbean Islands. Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd. offers life insurances to Trinidad & Tobago.

## Supervisory Board of Directors Assuria N.V.



#### James J. Healy jr. BSc (67 years old) Chairman of the Supervisory Board

- Appointed as a member of the Supervisory Board of Assuria N.V. in 1991.
- Fulfills the position of Chairman of the Supervisory Board since 2003.
- Member of the Remuneration and Appointment Committee of the Board.
- Chairman of the Board of Directors of Assuria General (GY) Inc. and Assuria Life (GY) Inc.
- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of N.V. VSH Foods, N.V. Consolidated Industries Corporation, Torarica Holding N.V.
- Member of the Supervisory Board of N.V. Verenigde Surinaamse Holdingmij.- and De Surinaamsche Bank NV.
- · Member of the Advisory Board of Conservation International Suriname and Oase.
- Holds a Bachelor degree in Marine Transportation from the State University of New York, Maritime College at Fort Schuyler, N.Y., U.S.A.
- · Honorary Consul of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in Suriname.



#### Marja I. Vos LL.M. (61 years old) Supervisory Director

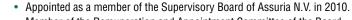
- Appointed as a member of the Supervisory Board of Assuria N.V. in 1991.
- Member of the Audit & Compliance Committee of the Board.
- Attorney-at-law with the Court of Justice in Suriname since 1993.
- Legal Affairs Manager of Newmont Suriname LLC.
- Chairperson of the Supervisory Board of Varossieau Suriname N.V.
- · Has extensive experience in the field of corporate law.



#### Annand K. Jagesar MBA (52 years old) Supervisory Director

- Appointed as a member of the Supervisory Board of Assuria N.V. in 2001.
- Chairman of the Audit & Compliance Committee of the Board since 2016.
- Has more than 30 years of experience in the oil industry and is currently employed as deputy director of *Staatsolie Maatschappij* [State Oil Company] Suriname N.V.
- Chairman of the Association for Securities Trading in Suriname.
- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of the Academic Hospital Paramaribo.
- · Member of the Supervisory Board of TWIN N.V.
- Holds a Bachelor degree in Business Economics and a Master degree in Business
   Administration, specialization Corporate Strategy and Economic Policy.

#### Malini A. Ramsundersingh LL.M. (46 years old) Supervisory Director



- Member of the Remuneration and Appointment Committee of the Board.
  Employed with the N.V. *Verenigde Surinaamse* Holdingmij- (VSH) since 2002 and has held the
- position of Director / Chief Legal Officer since 2013.
- Member of the Supervisory Board of N.V. Consolidated Industries Corporation (CIC).
- Holds a Master degree in Law.

## Supervisory Board of Directors Assuria N.V.



#### Winston R. Ramautarsing MSc (61 years old) Supervisory Director

- Appointed as a member of the Supervisory Board of Assuria N.V. in 2011.
- Member of the Remuneration and Appointment Committee of the Board.
- More than 30 years of experience in the field of Project Management.
- · Managing Director of PROPLAN Consultancy N.V.
- Member of the Supervisory Board of Qualogy Caribbean N.V. and Negxtep N.V.
- Chairman of the Association of Economists in Suriname.
- · Studied Development Economics at the Agricultural University in Wageningen, the Netherlands.



#### Stephen Smit MSc (64 years old) Supervisory Director

- Appointed as a member of the Supervisory Board of Assuria N.V. in 2017.
- Member of the Board of Directors of Gulf Insurance Ltd., Assuria Life (T & T) Ltd., Assuria General (GY) Inc. and Assuria Life (GY) Inc.
  - Chairman of the Supervisory Board of De Surinaamsche Bank N.V.
- Member of the Supervisory Board of N.V. *Verenigde Surinaamse* Holdingmij., N.V. VSH Foods, N.V. Consolidated Industries Corporation, Torarica Holding N.V. and TBL Multiplex N.V.
- Chairman of the National Music School Foundation.
- Holds a Master degree in Mathematics from the University of Leiden (the Netherlands) and in Actuarial Sciences from the University of Amsterdam (the Netherlands).
- Honorary Consul of Canada in Suriname.
- · Honorary member of the Caribbean Actuarial Association.



#### Marc Lie-Kwie RA (40 years old) Supervisory Director

- Appointed as a member of the Supervisory Board of Assuria N.V. in 2017.
- Member of the Audit & Compliance Committee of the Board.
- Registered Accountant and managing director of Maxarah N.V.
- Holds a Bachelor degree in Accountancy from the Rotterdam School of Economics and has completed his postgraduate course as a Registered Accountant at the Erasmus School of Accounting & Assurance in Rotterdam.
- Registered in the accountants register of the Royal Dutch Organization of Accountants.
- Member of the Surinamese Association of Accountants.

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## Report of the Supervisory Board of Directors

### General

We are pleased to report on the activities of the Supervisory Board for the year ended December 2017.

In 2017 the exchange rate for the US dollar remained relatively unchanged, effectively stabilizing the Surinamese economy and improving the overall financial results of the company for the year ended December 2017. Whilst we saw improvement in the consolidated operating result in comparison to 2016, it was still short of our expectations. Despite these positive results, there was a reduction in capital, due to the redemption shares held by De Surinaamsche Bank (DSB). The adverse effects of the economic recession of which started in 2015 continues to 2016 manifest itself in 2017, resulting in the company being unable to fully realize its planned developmental goals.

The Supervisory Board has performed its duties in compliance with the articles of association of the company and the regulations in Suriname.

The Supervisory Board advised the Board of Directors on various matters and supervised the Board's performance in relation to Assuria's goals.

The management has regularly informed the board in writing and also spoken about important transactions, investments and developments within the companies of the Assuria Group. In particular, the board is informed about the development of the results, the financial position of the group companies, the opportunities and risks of business operations.

#### **CONSULTATION AND DECISION-MAKING**

In 2017 the Supervisory Board held 12 meetings on a range of issues, including, but not limited to financial reports, budgets, market developments, investments, the managementletter of the accountant, corporate governance, the actuarial report, product development, automation and foreign participating interests.

Particular attention was paid to developments at DSB and DSB Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. [*Real Estate Company*] (DAVG).

The Supervisory Board together with the Board of Directors considered the continuity of Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V. [*Medical Insurance*].

The progress of the Long-Term Policy Plan 2016-2020 has been discussed at the meeting of December 22, 2017. The budget and the investment budget for 2018 were also ratified.

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

Corporate Governance Regulations for the foreign entities were implemented, and following meeting of February 23, 2018, were evaluated and amended as required.

#### AUDIT & COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE (ACC)

(A. Jagesar (chair), M. Vos and M. Lie-Kwie)

In July 2017, supervisory director M. Lie-Kwie joined the committee. Two of the meetings of the ACC held in 2017, focused on the key business risks identified by the Group Enterprise Risk Manager. The committee will pay extra attention to the top two risks and the progress on the mitigating measures will be reported in each meeting. The main risks identified, were in the areas of Information

Technology (IT) and Credit risk. In the second meeting the IT - activities were presented with the emphasis on the risks and the mitigating measures. The progress and effects of any measures adopted shall be reported to the committee on a regular basis. The Management Letter on the 2017 interim audit was discussed by the external auditor at Supervisory Board meeting of February 23, 2018. On May 28, 2018 the ACC discussed the final audit with the external auditor.

The Supervisory Board approved the 2017 financial statements at the meeting of May 29, 2018, for presentation at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.

#### **REMUNERATION AND NOMINATION COMMITTEE**

(J.J. Healy Jr. (chair), W. Ramautarsing, M. Ramsundersingh)

In 2017, the committee held three meetings concerning the employment contracts and emoluments of General Management and other members of the Executive Management Team effective from July 1, 2017. The Executive Management Team completed a self-assessment of its performance and discussed the results with the Supervisory Board. The assessment was based on the achievement of objectives, as set out in the Long-Term Policy Plan and the Enterprise Risk Management and Corporate Governance framework. General Management regularly reports to the Supervisory Board on human resources issues, employee remuneration, discussions with the trade union and the staffing of key positions. The Annual Social Report for 2017 was also presented and discussed at the meeting of the Supervisory Board on March 23, 2017.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Group Risk Management Framework was implemented in 2017. The Risk Committee, consisting of the Chief Financial & Risk Officer, the Chief Operations Officer, the Group Financial Controller and the Group Enterprise Risk Manager, assess risks in relation to established company policies.

The Enterprise Risk Management Department reports to group risk management on a quarterly basis, and the Risk Report is discussed at the meeting of the Supervisory Board. On July 21, 2017, the Supervisory Board approved the Risk Management Policy. The Risk Management Charter was later approved and Risk Tolerance and Risk Appetite were discussed and determined at the meeting of October 17, 2017.

On April 23, 2018, the Manager of the Actuarial Services Department, Mrs. Charissa Profijt-Lim A Po MSc AAG,

reported to the Supervisory Board on the actuarial certification of Assuria *Levensverzekering* N.V. [*Life Insurance*] by the external actuary Phenox Consultant N.V. The external actuary concluded that the provisions made on the findings of the Actuarial Services Department were adequate and that the financial position of Assuria *Levens-verzekering* N.V. met the coverage ratio requirements according to the model of the Central Bank of Suriname, as well as those of the Solvency 1 directive that applies within the European Union.

New regulations regarding capital requirements for life insurance companies in Trinidad & Tobago will necessitate a capital injection at Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd. The Actuarial Services Department has issued an actuarial report with respect to Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V. and Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V. [*General Insurance*] The financial position of Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V. was good, on the basis of the Solvency 1 directive and met the guidelines of the regulatory authority.

Losses suffered in 2016 at Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V., required that capital be increased by SRD 5 million through a capital injection in 2017. Losses, however, continued, necessitating further action to ensure solvency. Political and other market risks, including statutory maximum premiums, threaten the continuity of this company. If the aforementioned risks can be adequately reduced, internal measures taken, may be able to turn the tide. However, further strengthening of the capital will still be required. The company's actuary also assessed the technical and claims provisions of all non-life portfolios and made recommendations.

## CHANGES TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE DIRECTORS

At the General Meeting of Shareholders of June 22, 2017, Mr. Armand K. Achaibersing (CEO) and Mario R. Merhai (CFRO) were appointed as Chief Executives, effective July 1, 2017. To supplement the Executive Management Team, the Supervisory Board approved the appointment of Rishie Parbhudayal (COO) as director, and Petty Mahabiersingh (CLHRO) as deputy director, also effective July 1, 2017. Mr. Sunil Nandpersad, who held the position of CCO resigned from the company on January 1, 2018 and his duties were assigned to other members of the Executive Management Team. In Guyana, Jaya Singh-Backreedy, Mario Merhai and Rishie Parbhudayal were appointed members of the Board of Directors of Assuria General (GY) Inc. and Assuria Life (GY) Inc.

#### **CHANGES TO THE SUPERVISORY BOARD**

At the General Meeting of Shareholders of June 22, 2017, Mr. Anand K. Jagesar and Mr. Winston R. Ramautarsing retired. Pursuant to Article 7 paragraph 5 of the articles of association; they presented themselves for re-election, and were both reappointed as members of the Supervisory Board.

On the recommendation of the Supervisory Board, Marc Lie-Kwie was appointed as a member of the Supervisory Board, to replace Supervisory Director Antoine A. Brahim, who retired at the aforementioned meeting. Mr. Stephen Smit was also appointed as a member of the Supervisory Board.

#### PERFORMANCE OF THE SUPERVISORY BOARD AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Individual board members of the Supervisory Board conducted a self-assessment of its performance, The Board's performance was approved by its members and special areas of concern were identified.

In the future, the Board will pay particular attention to Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V. and DAVG, and to further improvement of DSB's financial position. The Risk Management policy will be reviewed regularly, and the main focus will be on the foreign establishments and the progress of the construction of the Assuria Hermitage High-rise.

All Supervisory Board meetings were well attended in 2017 and the Board members actively participated in the decisionmaking process. The Supervisory Board considered the self-assessment conducted by the Executive Management Team, and assessed the performance of the Executive Management Team as being good.

#### **STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES**

In December 2015, the company adopted the Long-Term Policy Plan 2016-2020, which set out the strategic objectives for the period.

These included:

- remaining the largest going concern in terms of turnover, profit and gross insurance result in the insurance sector in Suriname.
- having financially sound insurance companies in Guyana.
- having our general and life companies at Trinidad & Tobago operate in an integrated manner under the 'Assuria' brand.
- tailoring our services to the needs of the customer in all our markets.
- managing costs effectively.

#### **DIVIDEND POLICY**

The company's policy is to distribute a dividend of approximately 35% of the net profit. This enables the company, through the retained earnings, to keep the risk capital of the company at a proper level to ensure solvency and to finance the expansion of the company.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND PROPOSAL FOR PROFIT APPROPRIATION

In accordance with article 10 paragraph 4 of the Articles of Association, we advise that the 2017 financial statements were audited and submitted to you, together with the independent auditor's report from BDO Assurance N.V.

The consolidated profit after taxes accruing to the shareholders amounted to SRD 30,449,719. We agree with General Management's proposal, to distribute a dividend from this net profit of SRD 10,768,797 in cash, being SRD 1.85 per share. SRD 0.36 per share has already been made payable as an interim dividend. Hence, a final dividend of SRD 1.49 per share will be distributed. We agree with the proposal to add SRD 19,680,922 to the reserve and advise you to approve these proposals made by the General Management.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

According to the rotation schedule drawn up by the Supervisory Board, as stipulated in article 7 paragraph 5 of the articles of association, Mr. J.J. Healy Jr. and Ms. A. Ramsundersingh are to retire. We propose that you reappoint them.

#### **REMUNERATION OF THE SUPERVISORY BOARD**

The General Meeting of Shareholders determines the fees of the Supervisory Board. The fees of the Supervisory Board amount to SRD 237,000 per year and was most recently determined on June 22, 2017.

We truly thank the management, staff and other employees for their commitment and dedication in the past year.

Paramaribo, May 29, 2018

#### **THE SUPERVISORY BOARD**

J.J. Healy jr. BSc, Chair Marja I. Vos, LL.M. A.K. Jagesar MBA W.R. Ramautarsing MSc M.A. Ramsundersingh LL.M. S. Smit MSc M. Lie-Kwie RA

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## Report of the **General Management**

### Introduction

We are pleased to present you with our 2017 annual report for the Assuria Group, for the year ended December 2017.

At our Shareholders meeting in June 2017, we said farewell to our general manager, Mr. Stephen Smit, who retired in July 2017, after 38 years of service to the Assuria group. We remain grateful to Mr. Smit for his

skillful management of Assuria, which was instrumental in developing our company into an international insurer to be reckoned with. In January 2018, Mr. Suniel Nandpersad, deputy director of Assuria N.V. also left the company and we express our sincere thanks and appreciation to Mr. Nandpersad for services rendered to Assuria.

As of January 1, 2018 THE MANAGEMENT TEAM consists of the following persons:

> A. Achaibersing MANAGING DIRECTOR (Chief Executive Officer)

M. Merhai MANAGING DIRECTOR (Chief Financial & Risk Officer)

**R. Parbhudayal** DIRECTOR

(Chief Operations Officer)

#### P. Mahabiersingh DEPUTY DIRECTOR (Chief Legal & Human Resources Officer)

### General

#### SURINAME

Suriname's economic indicators continues to be moving in the right direction. Inflation for 2017 (12 months) has dropped from 52.4% to 9.2%, compared to 2016. The exchange rate of the Surinamese dollar (SRD) against the American dollar (USD) stabilized at SRD 7.53 to 1 USD. Our balance of payments shows a positive balance and monetary reserves has increased as per January 2018, to approximately USD 445 million equivalent to four (4) months of import coverage. The international prices of our main export commodities, gold and oil, are also trending favorably. This combined with increased production and export volumes is aid our economic recovery.

The introduction of VAT may be a way to generate additional state revenue, however, proper preparation and information are essential for its successful implementation. As at the date of this report, the Value Added Tax Act is yet to be approved by parliament, and there is still no indication as to when it will be implemented.

Economic growth was approximately 1.2% in 2017, with growth expected to be around 2.5% in 2018 (source: Fitch report February 21, 2018). Nevertheless, the Surinamese economy remains vulnerable.

The economy is heavily dependent on income from the gold and oil industry and any significant adverse change in the international prices of these raw materials may adversely impact our balance of payments and government revenues.

Therefore we believe that, rapid diversification and rationalization of the economy remains necessary. The usefulness of the establishment and implementation of a Sovereign Savings and Stabilization Fund should not be underestimated in the process. Production and export must be stimulated. The national debt is at an unacceptable high level and the payment of interest may constitute a challenge in the future. The budget deficit is substantial and should not be financed with borrowings. The government apparatus is cumbersome and needs to be reorganized urgently. This may be challenging, given the potential political implications.

It is important, however, that the monetary authorities concentrate on keeping the rate of the SRD stable against foreign currencies. The pursuit of a reduction may lead to imbalance and demand for foreign currency will have to be closely monitored. As stated earlier, the establishment of a Sovereign Savings and Stabilization Fund must ensure that additional revenues are set aside to absorb possible future shocks in the economy.

The international rating agency, Standard & Poor's maintained its B- rating with a "negative" outlook, while Fitch has adjusted its rating from B- with a "negative" outlook to B- with a "stable" outlook. Unfortunately, these ratings do not yet offer foreign investors sufficient confidence to invest in Suriname.

#### **TRINIDAD & TOBAGO**

The Trinidad & Tobago economy, also continues to experienced economic challenges. In 2017 the economy declined further by 3.2% compared to a decline of 5.4% in 2016.

Although the rate of the Trinidad dollar (TT \$) remained relatively stable against the USD, the quick and easy convertibility of local currency to foreign currency was challenging. Expectations are that with the exploitation of new gas reserves in 2018, government revenues and foreign exchange reserves will increase.

#### GUYANA

In Guyana the expectations of the economy are a lot more positive. The recent major discoveries of oil wells provide Guyana with good future prospect but current major contributors to the economy i.e. the sugar industry has been experiencing significant financial challenges. In Guyana, it is important to keep the economic activities diversified and not move towards one only depend on oil revenues. In Guyana, setting up a Sovereign Savings and Stabilization Fund will also be a sensible decision.

The economy in Guyana grew by 2.2% in 2017, and a growth of 2.9% is projected for 2018.

## The Insurance Industry

#### VALUE ADDED TAX (VAT)

As stated earlier, the government intends to introduce VAT in 2018. With some exceptions, all goods and services are expected to be taxed at a general rate of between15% and 17.5%. In August 2017, at the request of the Minister of Finance, the Survam commented in writing on the draft VAT law. Two issues in the draft VAT law directly related to the insurance industry, are: The fiscal unity in VAT: No provision for a fiscal unity has been included in the legislative proposal. Some insurance companies have a

holding structure, and carry out their activities from more than one entity. These entities are connected in financial, organizational and economic terms so that they form one group. Being a member of such a group will lead to taxable performance if the legislative proposal is adopted without being amended. This is undesirable for this group of companies and will entail unnecessary administrative obligations. The legislative proposal exempts life insurance, health insurance and reinsurance. This means that the input tax related to these services is not deductible, and will result in increased costs, which will ultimately be passed on in premiums. If the government wishes to promote retirement provisions and encourage the taking out of health insurance policies, it is important that in these services, the VAT is eliminated as much as possible. One option is to tax these services with a zero rate.

#### **BASIC HEALTHCARE INSURANCE**

In the previous annual report it was mentioned that the maximum premium laid down in the National Basic Healthcare Act is insufficient to support the basic healthcare insurance in an economically viable manner. This was made known to the government at various times by the insurance industry. The Healthcare Council indicated at its public meeting in February 2018 that the premium must be adjusted for an adequate implementation of this insurance. The Survam also made a proposal to the government in July 2017 to adjust the premium. Further implementation of the Act will depend on a rapid adjustment of the premium to the right level, and the willingness of healthcare providers to keep the costs of healthcare affordable.

## NO-REPORTING POLICY (IN THE CASE OF MINOR ACCIDENTS)

The government has determined that from March 1, 2018 the police will no longer respond to collisions in cases where there is only bodywork damage and the vehicles can continue to move on their own. In the first instance, the parties themselves will have to determine who the responsible party is and who the injured party is. Notification to the respective insurers is then made by means of a "collision form". Insurers have had ample time to prepare for this. In the context of Survam, damage notification forms have been developed and a central damage database has been set up. The collision damage ruling has not yet proven its usefulness. There is still much uncertainty among the police as to when they should turn up at an accident. There have been disputes between those involved in collisions concerning the apportionment of blame. Additionally, there has been an increased number of hit-and-run drivers after collisions. The collision

damage ruling will have to be evaluated in the short term alongside judicial authorities.

#### **ACT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Act on Financial Statements was approved by the National Assembly of Suriname on September 24, 2017 and came into effect in October 5, 2017. Under the Act, legal entities are obligated to draw up financial statements annually and in accordance with particular rules regarding the structure, audit and publication.

For public interest entities, the financial statements must be in accordance with the principles of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The Act provides that, as of the commencement of the Act, legal entities referred to in the Act, have a period of two years to comply with the regulations under the Act. Since 2013, Assuria N.V. began the process of transitioning to reporting in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

In preparation for this transition, an impact assessment was conducted, based on the IFRS standards applicable on or after January 1, 2015. In the process, the qualitative and quantitative impact for Assuria was determined.

It should be highlighted that the financial statements of Gulf Insurance Ltd., Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd., Assuria General (GY) Inc. and Assuria Life (GY) Inc. are already prepared in accordance with IFRS.

#### **DETERMINATION SOLVENCY INSURERS**

Directives were issued by the Central Bank of Suriname regarding the determination of the solvency of the insurance companies. When assessing the solvency, the revaluation reserve on the real estate property owned, is not taken into consideration. In a stable economy, this would not have an adverse impact on the solvency, because the increase in the value of real estate property due to inflation would not be exorbitant. In an economy like the one that has recently developed in Suriname, where there has been strong devaluation of the Surinamese currency and substantial inflation, it does not seem correct to completely disregard the revaluation reserve. The Survam is conducting consultations with the Central Bank of Suriname on this matter.

## The Operations

#### STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS

#### **De Surinaamsche Bank (DSB)**

We currently have a 44% stake in DSB's share capital. The Central Bank of Suriname has extended permission to maintain this stake, until the end of 2018. We have been in several discussions and negotiations with interested potential parties to acquire the surplus stake in accordance with local laws but to date they have not materialize. DSB experience a financial loss in 2016 due to the need to substantially increase the provision of doubtful loans as a direct result of the economic situation. As a result no dividend was declared nor paid by DSB for the 2016 financial year. The annual report 2016 mentioned the support by Assuria N.V. to bolster the bank's Solvency position. In addition to our acquisition of Hakrinbank N.V and Assuria N.V. shares held by the DSB, we provided USD 5 million in Additional Tier 1 capital and a subordinated loan of USD 10 million. We have accounted for the redemption of shares in accordance with the accounting policies.

In 2017, supported by the Assuria group, the bank continued to implement corrective measures to improve its financial performance.

#### DSB-Assuria Vastgoed Maatschappij (DAVG)

In 2017, DSB and Assuria made an additional capital injection in DAVG. The additional injection resulted in the equity interest of DSB in DAVG changing from 50% to 49% and the interest of Assuria changing from 50% to 51%. This change now requires that for accounting purposes DAVG is fully consolidated within Assuria whilst, DSB's equity interest is accounted for as a "minority interest". DAVG is managed and administered by Assuria. At this time, we do not plan to undertake any new projects at DAVG but concentrate on those already in stream as well as rationalize/sell some of our existing property. We are satisfied with pursued strategies of DAVG in 2017.

#### ORGANIZATION

#### **Redemption of shares**

In 2017, we redeemed 732,830 Assuria shares previously held by DSB. Our intention is to reissue these shares to an interested potential party. Note these shares are not entitled to dividends and have been deducted from equity.

#### Assuria Hermitage High-rise

The construction of our new office complex actually started

in 2017. In May and June the tender contracts were signed with Kuldipsingh Total Concrete N.V. for the delivery of the piles and with Haukes Construction N.V. for piling. Construction began on June 23, however it had to be stopped temporarily due to a lawsuit filed by some local residents. In August the court decided that the construction could be resumed.

In November, contracts were signed with the following contractors:

- RHC N.V. for the execution of constructional works,
- N.V. VSH Steel for the supply of the steel construction,
- Harsons Industrial Inc. for the supply of the façade panels
- Elgawa N.V. for the supply of technical installations and with
- Raya's Koeltechniek for the supply of the air conditioning systems.

Firm Engineering N.V. is in charge of the management, and with extra supervision on behalf of Assuria, provided by the engineering firm IBT. The steel structure has been constructed and the contours of this prestigious building have begun to become visible. Completion is planned to be realized by early 2020.

We are convinced that this complex will prove to be an enrichment for Suriname.

#### **Corporate Governance**

The Corporate Governance Code and regulations, as well as all resulting charters were evaluated by the Supervisory Board at the February 2018 meeting and adjusted where necessary. For our foreign subsidiaries in Guyana and Trinidad & Tobago, the Corporate Governance regulations were also finalized and approved by the respective Boards of Directors. The performance of the Executive Management Team was also discussed at meeting of the Supervisory Board in February 2018.

#### **Enterprise Risk Management**

In the year under review, the (strategic) objective of having an Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) framework in place was met. This framework includes the ERM policy, the risk appetite, the identification and control of the risks (risk matrices), the risk governance (role, position, tasks and responsibilities of the ERM function), the risk policy structure and the ERM implementation plan.

The operation of the Risk Committee and the investment and treasury policy were also examined. In the year under review we were confronted with increasing environmental risks that are reflected in the risks we run as an insurer. Examples are the substandard statutory premium and the high claim ratio in health insurance, the downward trend in the interest rate on foreign currency investments and the increase in credit risk as a result of the deterioration of the macro economic situation in the country. Much attention was paid to adequately controlling these risks.

For the non-life companies of the Group, namely Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V., Assuria General (GY) Inc. and Gulf Insurance Ltd, each year on April 1, a group reinsurance contract is concluded.

The reinsurance program in place proved its soundness given the contained losses experienced by our company despite the devastation of Hurricane Irma in St. Maarten. We have been able to successfully renew the reinsurance program in April 2018, although at an expected increased premium. Contracts were also concluded with reputable international reinsurers for the life insurance companies. Any adjustment of the retention takes place based on an annual evaluation.

In 2017, several companies in Suriname have become victims of cyber-crime, such as hacking, phishing and ransom ware attacks. The latter means that computers and/or data are taken 'hostage' and ransom is demanded for the 'liberation' of the same. Assuria has preventively evaluated its IT security measures and, where necessary, strengthened them. In 2018 the focus will be on the full implementation of the integrated risk control system, the adequate control of the (high) risks, the implementation of an IT governance framework, the design of an ALM model and policy, further implementation of the risk policy structure, and more solidly embedding of Business Continuity Management (including the foreign branches) within the Group.

#### **Quality Management**

From October 30, to November 3, 2017, the external auditor conducted the ISO audit at our offices in Suriname and Guyana. This involved a re-audit on the basis of the new standard ISO 9001: 2015. As an organization we have demonstrated that we have an adequate quality management system that also meets this new standard.

In Guyana, the auditor also came to the conclusion that the quality system complies with the new ISO standard. In the first quarter of 2018, the offices in Suriname and Guyana received the new ISO 9001: 2015 certificate from KIWA.

#### **Curaçao Project**

The previous report has already mentioned the fact that

Assuria *Levensverzekering* N.V. has started the process of obtaining a license to operate as an insurer at Curacao. This process has not yet been completed, however, it is expected that Assuria N.V. will expand its activities in the Dutch Caribbean in 2018.

#### **Product development**

In 2017, the Azpas range of products was adapted and our travel insurance Trias Europa was expanded with services provided by Eurocross as a foreign service provider.

To this end, a special agreement has been signed with Eurocross. The reinsurance capacity for Motor Casco insurance has been extended, making it easier to insure expensive vehicles.

The Personal Liability Insurance (PAV – Dutch abbreviation) has been revised. The training provided by Assuria experts, especially for the employees of the banks, is also worth mentioning.

#### **Distribution channels**

Our products are sold through various distribution channels. Direct sales take place via our head offices (Henck Arronstraat and Grote Combeweg), our Insurance Walk-Ins (TBL complex, Jozef Israelstraat, Lelydorp and Nieuw Nickerie) and the internet. In 2017, we expanded our Insurance Walk-In at the Jozef Israelstraat to better respond to the increased customer flow. A new automated customer handling system has also been put into use for the same purpose. The DOOR company was hired to help optimize customer experience in our offices. In the field of e-commerce, we are also in the process of obtaining a new provider for the website and social and mobile services.

An important part of our production is contributed by our intermediaries (agents, brokers, banks and travel agencies). During the year under review intensive work was done with each intermediary segment to realize the production targets and various training courses and production campaigns were organized. This force of permanent intermediaries only sell our insurance policies. With this force, monthly meetings were held in Paramaribo and quarterly meetings in Nickerie. At the annual Producers Award Night in Paramaribo, Mr. A. Raghoenath was crowned top producer Overall of the Year for the fifth consecutive time.

#### **Social contribution**

The Assuria Community Fund (ACF) has supported a number of projects and made donations in the past period. We mention among other things:

- Samuel Children's Home;
- Culture Caravan of Mr. George Struikelblok for the youth of Lelydorp, Nieuw Nickerie and Matta;

- Lisibeti Music Performing Arts;
- Naks: Production of the book "Alakondreman en Kulturu guru Wilgo Baarn", in co-financing with Staatsolie Foundation;
- Schrijversgroep [writers group] '77: co-financing with VSH Community Fund of the audiobook project;
- Stichting Nationale Volksmuziekschool Suriname [Foundation National Music School Suriname]: support for the student fund;
- Suriname Conservation Foundation: in co-financing with 13 other companies of the Masters of Science program: Education and Research in Sustainable Management of Natural Resources at the Anton de Kom University of Suriname.

In addition to the donations made through the ACF, many organizations active in the social field, sports, art and culture, education and environment have again received our support.

An annual event organized by Assuria is the senior evening where the senior citizens can enjoy an evening full of 'home-grown' entertainment.

The 15<sup>th</sup> edition was held in 2018. We cannot imagine Assuria without the Assuria senior evening anymore. Assuria is also a sponsor of the Rotary *Zeker is Zeker* [solid and secure] Family Quest, which is not only a fun family activity, but also has a fundraising character for social purposes.

Our social involvement is also evident from our partnerships with Suriname Conservation Foundation, which is committed to the environment and the *Stichting Stadsherstel* [Foundation Town Restoration] which is committed to the preservation of monumental buildings.

The establishment of the "Assuria Chair in Corporate Governance" in 2016 at the Institute for Graduate Studies and Research, should also be mentioned.

### **Operating Results**

### General

For the financial year ended December 31, 2017 we earned a profit before tax of SRD 45.7 million compared to a profit before tax 2016 of SRD 162.2 million. Our financial performance for 2017 is commendable compared to 2016 when one considers the substantial "one-time" foreign exchange rate gain results earned in 2016 and the difficult economic climate of 2017, particularly in our domestic market Suriname.

In 2016, we recorded a foreign exchange gain of SRD 152.9 million compared to a foreign exchange gain in 2017 of only SRD 8.5 million.

The foreign exchange gains in 2016 were mainly due to the depreciation of the SRD against the USD from SRD 4.04 to SRD 7.485. In 2017, the rate of the SRD against the USD remained fairly stable at SRD 7.52.

Profit after tax dropped by 53% from SRD 68.4 million to SRD 32.2 million. In contrast, operating profit for 2017 increased by 299% from SRD 9.3 million in 2016 to SRD 37.2 million.

In assessing this result, a provision of approximately SRD 20 million on mortgage loans must also be taken into account. The life and non-life insurance operations of the insurance companies in Suriname performed well in 2017. The medical operations, on the other hand, recorded a substantial loss.

As stated, in 2017 we took a majority interest in the company DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. (DAVG). Since the takeover, Assuria also assumed management control. The result of DAVG for 2017 was positive compared to a loss in 2016.

The positive developments at our foreign branches also continued in 2017. Only the life operations in Guyana suffered a small loss, but the company is developing in the right direction. In the future, we will review the results of the various subsidiaries.

Our group equity (before profit appropriation), in spite of the profits we realized in 2017, decreased from SRD 310 million to SRD 260 million. This decrease was due to our accounting treatment for the redeemed Assuria shares from DSB totaling SRD 62.3 million. According to accounting standards, this amount must be deducted from equity.

These shares are expected to be sold in the course of 2018.

#### **GROUP COMPANIES**

The consolidated financial statements include the annual figures with regard to the operating companies Assuria *Levensverzekering* N.V., Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V., Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V., Assuria *Beleggingsmaatschappij* N.V., Aarvina Trading N.V., DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V., Assuria Life (GY) Inc., Assuria General (GY) Inc., Gulf Insurance Limited and Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.

In 2017 an additional capital injection was given to Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V. This was facilitated through the issuance of 5,000 shares at a price of SRD 1,000 per share for a total amount of SRD 5 million. The participation of Assuria N.V. in this emission was 100%. In the year under review we also made an additional capital injection of GYD 15.0 million towards Assuria Life (GY) Inc. in line with Assuria N.V.'s 75% interest in the company.

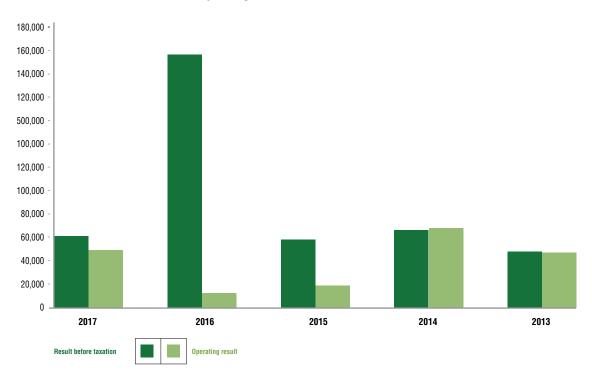
As at 30 June 2017, Assuria N.V.'s equity interest in DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. increased to 51% or 50,004 shares. As of that date the figures of this subsidiary are for 100% included in the consolidation group's financial accounts.

The breakdown of the participation in the share capital of the operating companies as at year-end 2017 is as follows:

	ISSUED CAPITAL		PARTICIPATION In Capital	IN PERCENTAGE Terms
Assuria <i>Levensverzekering</i> N.V. (Life insurance)	SRD	1,294	1,285	99.30
Assuria Schadeverzekering N.V. (General insurance)	SRD	3,500	3,500	100.00
Assuria Medische Verzekering N.V. (Medical insurance)	SRD	3,160	3,143	99.47
Assuria Life (GY) Inc.	GYD	188,750,000	141,562,500	75.00
Assuria General (GY) Inc.	GYD	84,000,000	63,000,000	75.00
Gulf Insurance Limited	TTD	46,240,000	46,240,000	100.00
Assuria Life T&T Ltd.	TTD	57,401,357	56,482,935	98.40
Assuria Beleggingsmaatschappij N.V. (Investment company)	SRD	1,927	1,920	99.67
Aarvina Trading N.V.	SRD	2,000	2,000	100.00
DSB-Assuria Vastgoed Maatschappij N.V. (Real estate)	SRD	980,400	500,004	51.00

#### **DISCUSSION OF THE 2017 RESULTS**

#### Consolidated result before taxation and operating result 2017 In thousands of Suriname Dollars



Together with Assuria N.V. the operating companies achieved the following pre-tax results: - = negative result

	EQUIVALENT IN SRD		ORIGINAL CUR		RENCY	
	2017	2016		2017	2016	
Suriname						
Assuria Levensverzekering N.V. (Life insurance)	30,586,178	147,185,717				
Assuria Schadeverzekering N.V. (General insurance)	20,607,110	83,072,862				
Assuria Medische Verzekering N.V. (Medical insurance)	-18,557,830	-3,556,907				
Assuria <i>Beleggingsmaatschappij</i> N.V. (Investment company)	5,657,997	5,921,825				
Aarvina Trading N.V.	-240,989	-359,985				
DSB-Assuria Vastgoed Maatschappij N.V. (Real estate)	2,360,741	-5,206,569				
Assuria N.V.	-10,658,972	-73,717,048				
Guyana						
Assuria Life (GY) Inc.	-423,378	-988,203	GYD	-11,605,757	-27,358,896	
Assuria General (GY) Inc.	4,189,485	1,540,975	GYD	114,843,339	42,662,687	
Trinidad & Tobago						
Gulf Insurance Ltd	11,175,119	10,418,471	TTD	10,058,613	9,394,473	
Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.	1,043,080	-2,072,547	TTD	938,866	-1,868,843	
Total pre-tax result	45,738,541	162,238,591				

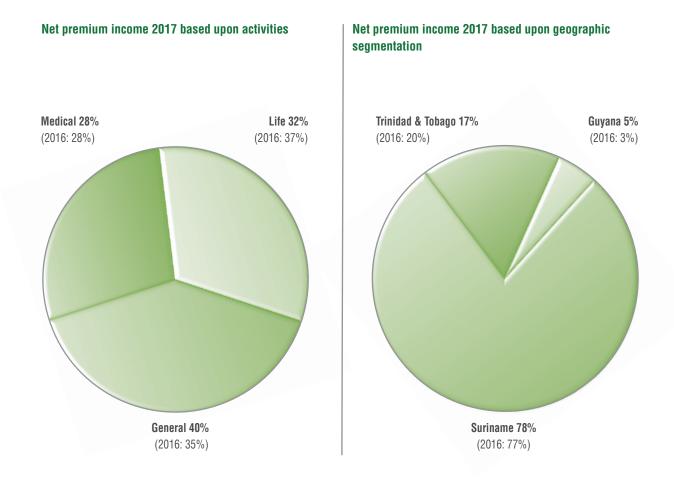
For the sake of completeness, the explanatory notes to the company balance sheet include a breakdown of the movements in the capital of the operating companies.

The net premium income increased by SRD 60.5 million (13%) to SRD 528.1 million.

Net premium income by activity is composed as follows:

life insurance SRD 166.4 million (32%), non-life insurance SRD 209.8 million (40%) and medical insurance SRD 151.9 million (28%).

Based on the geographical segmentation, Suriname's share in net premium income is 78% (SRD 412.2 million) followed by Trinidad & Tobago with 17% (SRD 91.8 million). Guyana contributed 5% (SRD 24.1 million).



The claims increased by SRD 14.2 million (5%) to SRD 309.2 million. The increase is mainly attributable to Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V. for SRD 7.1 million and Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V. for SRD 5.3 million.

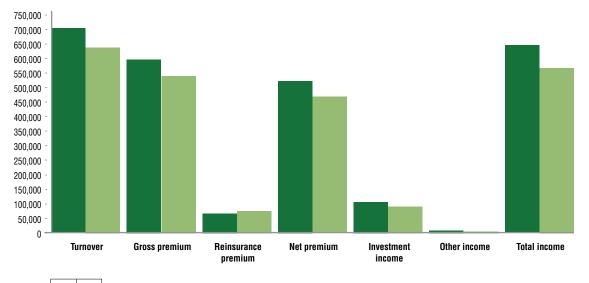
The movements in technical provisions at SRD 80.8 million, is at the same level as in 2016.

Compared to 2016 personnel costs increased by SRD 10.3 million (16%) to SRD 74.2 million.

The other costs (excluding acquisition costs) increased by SRD 17.5 million (28%) to SRD 79.8 million. The increase may mainly be attributed to the provisions that have been made for accounts receivable.

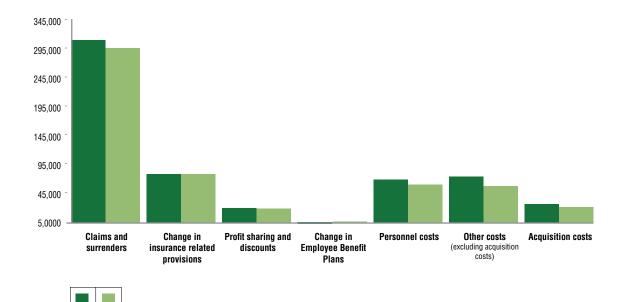
Acquisition costs increased by SRD 7.3 million (28%).

<b>Income</b> Amounts in thousands Suriname Dollars	2017	2016	Difference	Difference in %
Turnover	708,470	639,285	69,185	11%
Gross premium	598,906	543,961	54,945	10%
Reinsurance premium	70,787	76,353	-5,566	-7%
Net premium	528,119	467,608	60,511	13%
Investment income	109,563	95,324	14,239	15%
Other income	10,330	6,492	3,838	59%
Total income	648,012	569,424	78,588	14%





Expenses Amounts in thousands Suriname Dollars	2017	2016	Difference	Difference in %
Claims and surrenders	309,166	295,004	14,162	5%
Change in insurance related provisions	80,755	80,937	-182	0%
Profit sharing and discounts	25,377	25,349	28	0%
Change in Employee Benefit Plans	1,851	505	1,346	267%
Personnel costs	74,244	63,926	10,318	16%
Other costs (excluding acquisition costs)	79,797	62,249	17,548	28%
Acquisition costs	33,261	25,954	7,307	28%



#### LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2016 - 2020

The long-term development plan laid down objectives for the group with regard to the profit and the costs.

- The return on equity (= gross profit/equity capital at the beginning of the year) (RoE) must be at least 16%; the RoE amounted to 15%.

- The pre-tax profit should amount to at least 15% of the turnover; in 2017 this profit ratio was 6% (2016:25%);

- The cost ratio (= costs exclusive of acquisition costs and addition to provision for pensions / gross premium), may not exceed 23%; the cost ratio amounted to 26% (2016: 23%)

- The personnel cost ratio (= personnel costs exclusive of addition to provision for pensions / gross premium) may not exceed 14%; in 2017 this ratio was 12% (2016:12%).

From the above it is evident that one of the four objectives has been realized.

The long-term development plan was drawn up in 2015, when the economic environment was different. Evaluation of and any adjustment to the plan will take place in the second half of 2018.

#### **PROFIT APPROPRIATION**

The net profit (after taxes and third party minority interests) amounts to SRD 30,449,719. We propose to distribute a dividend of SRD 1.85 per share of SRD 0.10 nominal (2016: SRD 1.85). The total dividend to be distributed for 2017 will be SRD 10,768,797 (2016: SRD 10,988,645).

After deduction of the dividend, an amount of SRD 19,680,922 remains. We propose to add this amount to the general reserve.

### Assuria Levensverzekering N.V.

In consideration of the background of the economic climate, we are satisfy with the 2017 result of the life operations.

#### PREMIUM INCOME

Premium income decreased by 24% compared to 2016, to approximately SRD 137 million (2016: SRD 179.1 million). When assessing this decrease, the fact that the pre-

mium income of 2016 had a currency translation effect of approximately SRD 34 million, should be taken into account. The exchange rate effect in premium income in 2017 was approximately SRD 1.3 million due to the almost stable exchange rate during the financial year. After eliminating the effect of the exchange rate, the premium income in 2017 decreased by 7% compared to the previous financial year. Individual premium income decreased by 38% in the year under review, while in the group segment the decrease was 10%. These decreases are a reflection of the reduced room in disposable income of the population in order to be able to save, and of the exchange rate effect included in the premiums for 2016.

#### RESULT

The pre-tax result amounted to SRD 30.6 million (2016: SRD 147.2 million). The 2016 result was strongly influenced by a foreign exchange rate gain of more than SRD 113.5 million on the free assets of the life operations. The operating result of the company, excluding this currency exchange rate effects on the free assets, decreased by 21% from SRD 33.7 million to SRD 26.5 million. This was due mainly to the reduced premium income and a considerable increase in operating expenses.

The technical account result amounted to SRD 20.9 million (2016: SRD 20.5 million), mainly due to an increase in the result on interest of 78.3% and an increase in the result on risk and movements by 27.4%. The increase in the result on interest was caused by the increase in the interest that went up from SRD 55 million to SRD 70.3 million.

The result of mortality and disability amounted to SRD 12.04 million and SRD 1.7 million respectively. The result on movements amounted to SRD 4.9 million and was mainly caused by a contract that was retrospectively made free of premium due to payment arrears. The loss on costs amounted to SRD 10.8 million (2016: SRD -1.5 million). This significant increase in the loss on costs was mainly due to a change in the charging on of costs and due to substantial provisions on mortgage accounts receivable.

#### **INVESTMENTS**

The average return on investments dropped from 7.71% in 2016 to 7.08% in 2017. This is mainly due to decreases in the categories mortgages, term deposits and bonds. The investment income rose from SRD 64.0 million in 2016 to SRD 76.1 million. The invested capital grew to SRD 1.12 billion (2016: SRD 1.03 billion). An unfavorable development for the life operations is the downward trend in interest rates on foreign currency investments.

#### **PORTFOLIO**

The total of the capitalized insured amounts rose from SRD 5.7 billion in 2016 to SRD 6.1 billion in 2017. In numbers, the total portfolio grew by 2% (2016: 4.8%).

#### **PROFIT-SHARING AND DISCOUNTS**

Also in 2017, a substantial amount of profit sharing and discounts was provided to collective and individual customers. As such, our products remain attractive to the policyholders as we have to compete against in-house arrangements and the General Pension Act. In the financial year a total amount of SRD 24.4 million was spent, while this was SRD 24.5 million in 2016. A further analysis shows that although the total amount fell slightly in 2017, the discounts granted, increased while profit-sharing fell.

#### **OPERATING EXPENSES**

In the year under review operating expenses amounted to SRD 39.7 million (2016: SRD 25.04 million). This is equivalent to an increase of approximately 59% compared to last year. In particular, the management fee and the movements in provisions relating to accounts receivable rose substantially in the year under review. Personnel costs increased by 28% to SRD 8.7 million (2016: SRD 6.8 million).

#### **CLAIMS**

In total, claims in 2017 amounted to SRD 52.6 million (2016: SRD 55.3 million). Interest payments increased by 21% to SRD 39.5 million and life benefits rose from SRD 2.9 million to SRD 5.2 million. An important part of these obligations is denominated in foreign currency. Surrenders decreased from SRD 15.8 million to SRD 4.1 million. In the year under review, fewer contracts transferred to another administrator.

The death benefits were over SRD 136,000 lower than in 2016.

#### **PROSPECTS**

We look to the future cautiously, as the contracted economy may affect the growth of the portfolio. In addition, the declining trend in interest rates on foreign currency investments in Suriname may put greater pressure on achieving the 4% interest rate guarantee included in our products. In this context, a tightened Asset & Liability Management is high on the agenda, in the course of which a strategic reallocation of investments and a downward adjustment of the notional interest rate are not unlikely. We still intend to become active as life insurers on the islands of the Netherlands Antilles and hope to take concrete steps to this end in 2018.

### Assuria Schadeverzekering N.V.

Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V. has had a good year. Compared to 2016 the operating result increased by 99% from SRD 9 million to SRD 17.9 million. The pre-tax profit decreased from SRD 83.1 million to SRD 20.6 million. The decrease is mainly due to the substantial foreign exchange rate gain in 2016 of approximately SRD 74.1 million, compared to a foreign currency rate gain of SRD 2.7 million in 2017. The result after tax amounts to SRD 13.2 million compared to SRD 53.2 million in 2016, a decrease of 75%.

Gross premium income increased by 38%. The net premium increased by 52%. The claims own account increased by 16%, mainly due to an increase in traffic and fire. The claims increased in the Fire branch by 35% and in the Traffic branch by 13%. There is a decrease of 7% in the Varia branch. Investment income decreased by 2%. Personnel costs increased by 29%, while the general costs rose by 40%. Expectations are that the claims and costs will increase further in view of the current economic conditions. It will continue to be a challenge to achieve premium growth and reduce costs.

## THE ASSURIA ROAD TRAFFIC POLICY (MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE)

The technical result (net premium - claims own account - net movements on the earned premium - acquisition costs) of this branch has increased by 653% compared with 2016. After allocating costs, this branch still generated a substantial operational loss. The net premium increased by 51%. The claims own account increased by 13%. The premium increase is due to the fact that as of March 1, 2017 the cover and the associated premiums have been adjusted by all insurers for new insurance policies, and as of April 1, 2017 for the current portfolio. As mentioned earlier, the collision damage ruling was introduced on March 1, 2018.

In addition to the aforementioned issues that require improvement, claims are reported and processed faster. However, we must once again conclude that the driving behavior leaves much to be desired. We hope that with increased control and better driving behavior the loss in this sector can be limited.

#### THE ASSURIA PROPERTY INSURANCE POLICY AND OTHER FIRE INSURANCES

The net premium in this sector increased by 52%. This increase may mainly be attributed to new insurances and revaluations of the SRD portfolio. The claims own account has increased by 35% due to the increase in the number of claims. Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V. acts as coreinsurer for Gulf Insurance Ltd. As mentioned earlier, Gulf has drawn on this reinsurance arrangement as a result of the damage caused by Hurricane Irma. The increase of the claims own account is partly a result thereof. The Assuria Home Assistance (AHA), under which policyholders can take out insurance for emergency assistance pertaining to their homes, was added to the Property insurance policy in the year under review, and has been well received.

The technical result of this branch increased by 66.4% compared to 2016. This branch once again accounted for the largest contribution to the result of the non-life operations.

#### **VARIA INSURANCE**

Varia insurances include the other non-life products, such as the Assuria Wrokoman Policy (SOR – Dutch abbreviation – Suriname Accident Regulation), the accidents insurances, the transport insurances, the liability insurances (AVBB – Dutch abbreviation), the occupational disability insurances (AVAS – Dutch abbreviation) and the travel insurances (Trias). The net premium increased by 56%. The claims own account decreased by 7%. The technical result of this branch increased by 23.5% compared to 2016. This branch once again provided a good contribution to the operating result of the non-life operations.

#### PROSPECTS

We expect that non-life operations will continue to do well. By means of balanced risk management and based on properly hedging insurance-related risks, we expect to be in control of the claims own account.

However, we are still concerned about developments in the motor vehicle branch, and look forward to improvements in the driving culture of all users of the road, including motorists and the police.

## Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V.

The year 2017 was not a good year for the medical operations either. In the financial year 2017 various initiatives were developed in the organization to improve the result and the financial position of this branch. Among other things, a reorganization of the Claims Administration department was conducted. The department now deals with the processing of guarantee letters and invoices, and also with analysis and control. The guarantee letter and acceptance policy, and the policy regarding permitted premium payment terms have also been reviewed.

This was done in order to achieve a more effective control of claims and accounts receivable. The problem of poor results within the branch is also at issue with other companies in the sector. That is why at Survam level we are working closely together in negotiations with the healthcare sector and consultations with the government and health care authorities.

#### **PORTFOLIO**

As at balance sheet date, the total portfolio comprised 67,266 insured persons. This is a growth of around 19% - more than the year before - which mainly comes from the collective customized and plus profile. The individual basic healthcare portfolio, the portfolio with the highest loss ratio, dropped by 3,452 insured persons. This drop in individual is mainly due to the measures taken and has had a positive effect on the result.

#### PREMIUM

In the financial year, premium income grew by 14% to over SRD 155 million (2016: SRD 135 million). This is because in the year under review, we managed to collect a number of collective contracts or, where possible, to adjust the premiums from existing contracts.

A healthier mix of the portfolio was also achieved. In 2016, individual insurance policies accounted for more than 27% of the premium income. In 2017 this was 34%. As a result, the premium per insured person was on average much higher than in 2016

#### **CLAIMS OWN ACCOUNT**

Compared to 2016, the claims own account increased by only 4% to SRD 141.7 million. This resulted in a substantial flattening of the growth, partly due to the measures taken. The loss ratio went from 102% in 2016 to 93% in 2017. An improvement of 9 percentage points. The objective is to realize a loss ratio of 85%. In that respect, still a lot of work needs to be done.

#### RESULT

Operating results improved by 31% and amounted to SRD -19.6 million (2016: SRD -28.4 million). This is the direct result of the measures taken in the financial year. The pre-tax result decreased to SRD -18.6 million (2016: SRD -3.6 million). When assessing this, the fact that in 2016 the foreign exchange rate gain amounted to more than SRD 24.8 million should also be taken into account.

Just like last year, the payment discipline of the accounts receivable also had a negative impact on the result in 2017. The change in provision for accounts receivable in 2017 amounted to SRD 6.6 million. As at balance sheet date, the insurance accounts receivable amounted to SRD 24.2 million (2016: SRD 25.5 million). It is important that this upward trend in improvement in results is continued in 2018. To this end, various actions are being implemented per reporting date. In Survam there is also a call for an increase in the rates for Basic Healthcare insurance.

The technical result showed an 83% increase and rose from SRD - 17.3 million in 2016 to SRD - 3 million in 2017. The efficiency degree of the organization was satisfactory. The expense ratio was 13% (2016: 12%), which is below the maximum as set. The combined ratio went from 125% in 2016 to 116% in 2017. A good improvement, particularly as a result of an improved loss ratio, but the aim is to get below 100%.

#### SOLVENCY

The solvency of the company is not yet at the required level. As at balance sheet date the solvency ratio was 22%. To improve the financial position of the company, a capital injection of SRD 5 million was made during the financial year. In addition, the building at the Henck Arronstraat was sold to Aarvina Trading N.V. resulting in a realization of the revaluation reserve in favor of the general reserve. As at the reporting date we are working on a plan to further strengthen the solvency of the company.

#### **PROSPECTS**

The consequences of the introduction of the National Basic Healthcare Act and the deteriorated economic situation have led to the company being faced with severe challenges. With increased effort, the recovery process was taken up by rolling out measures that fall within our own range of influence. However, it is clear that the maximum premiums as mentioned in the National Basic Healthcare Act cannot be maintained and that an adjustment on short-term is of the utmost importance for the continuity of the company. In that respect, the year 2018 is a crucial year for the medical operations.

## Assuria *Beleggingsmaatschappij* N.V.

Our local securities portfolio has been placed with Assuria *Beleggingsmaatschappij* N.V.

In the year under review our equity portfolio was further expanded by the purchase of shares in the companies Hakrinbank N.V., Torarica Holding N.V., Varossieau N.V. and Prestige Investments N.V. and stock dividend received from Hakrinbank N.V. and Self Reliance N.V.

At year-end 2017, the securities portfolio had a value of approximately SRD 92.1 million, compared to SRD 86.4 million at year-end 2016.

Compared with 2016, the pre-tax result decreased by SRD 0.3 million to SRD 5.7 million.

The realized investment income increased by SRD 2.4 million, from SRD 3.7 million to SRD 6.1 million, which is the result of an increase in dividend payments.

Unrealized investment income increased by SRD 0.7 million from SRD 2.1 million to SRD 2.8 million.

Turnover on the Surinamese Stock Exchange showed a strong decrease from SRD 5.9 million in 2016 to SRD 1.3 million in 2017.

In 2016, Staatsolie bonds were traded. The stock exchange index fell by 1.4% from 9,661 to 9,531 as at year-end 2017.

The price of the Assuria share amounted to SRD 94.20 as at year-end 2017.

As at the reporting date, this was SRD 93.95.

Appendix 1 contains an overview of the funds listed at the Suriname Stock Exchange with the turnover for 2017 and the closing prices as at year-end 2017.

### Aarvina Trading N.V.

Aarvina Trading N.V. accommodates the grounds at the Recolaan (in the vicinity of the Mr.J.Lachmonstraat). An adjacent lot was purchased during the year under review. On June 23, 2017, Aarvina Trading N.V. started the construction of a new office complex, Assuria Hermitage High-rise, as described in detail earlier. The construction is financed with loans provided by the life and non-life operations.

The investments have been capitalized until the complex has been fully completed. In the year under review, the economic ownership of the office building and grounds at Henck Arronstraat was transferred to Aarvina Trading N.V. by Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V. This company has no income yet, but costs have been incurred. The loss for 2017 amounted to SRD 241,000 compared to SRD 360,000 for 2016.

## DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. (DAVG)

The nature of the activities of DAVG has in principle been the development of real estate with a view to selling the developed land. Due to the macro economic developments of recent years, this idea has been abandoned and the decision has been taken not to continue developing, but to maintain the land with a view to selling it when the value increases and/or the opportunity presents itself. Only the Noord Polderdam project will be further developed due to its advanced stage of development.

On June 30, 2017, Assuria N.V. (Assuria) and De Surinaamsche Bank N.V. (DSB) made a capital injection in DAVG in such manner that the capital ratio has changed. Assuria holds 51% of the share capital and DSB 49%. Assuria took over the operational management of DAVG as of that date. The capital injection was done by settling interest due to Assuria and DSB. In this connection, 78,040 shares were issued and paid up by DAVG. The company recorded a profit of SRD 2.4 million for 2017 compared to a loss of SRD 10 million for 2016. The sale of a plot of land of approximately 22 hectares in Morgenstond mainly accounted for the profit.

### **Gulf Insurance Limited**

Despite a decline in premium income in TT dollars of 8.5%, Gulf has had a good year. In SRD, the gross premium income in 2017 was SRD 102.8 million, which means a decrease of 8.3% compared to 2016. Reinsurance premiums decreased by 12% compared to 2016. The claims own account in 2017 have remained at the same level as in 2016, namely approximately SRD 33 million.

When assessing the claims, the damage caused by Hurricane Irma, which amounts to approximately USD 36 million in the St Maarten branch of Gulf's portfolio, should be taken into consideration. As stated earlier in the chapter Enterprise Risk Management, the claims own account were limited due to our sound reinsurance program of USD 750,000. The operating costs including the acquisition costs have decreased from SRD 29 million to approximately SRD 24.4 million, a decrease of 16%.

The operating result in SRD increased from SRD 7.9 million in 2016 to SRD 10.7 million in 2017. The pre-tax profit for 2017 amounted to SRD 11.2 million compared to SRD 10.4 million for 2016..

#### PROSPECTS

The premium income is expected to decrease further as a result of the loss of the largest part of the portfolio at St. Maarten due to the damage caused by Hurricane Irma. By smoothly managing the claims, Gulf has further strengthened its reputation at this island. This justifies the expectation that in the case of reconstruction the insurance will again be taken out with Gulf. We expect that Gulf will be able to make a good contribution to the group result again in 2018.

## Assuria Life (T&T) LTD. (ALTT)

Expanding the agent force still appears to be a challenge as mentioned in the previous annual report. We are pleased to report that the regulatory authority has approved a number of new products that are important to increase sales. Recently a new policy administration system was selected, the implementation of which is in full swing. Premium income in TT dollars increased by 14.8%, in SRD premium income increased by 15% from SRD 28.6 million in 2016 to SRD 33 million in 2017. Investment income increased by 26.2%, from SRD 11.4 million in 2016 to SRD 14.3 million in 2017. The payments and redemptions increased by 15.1% from SRD 24 million in 2016 to SRD 27.7 million in 2017. The movements in technical provisions decreased by SRD 2.2 million. The operating costs for 2017 remained at about the same level as in 2016 with SRD 15.5 million. The company managed to make the turning point in the year under review. Although the loss for 2016 was SRD 2.1 million, 2017 recorded a profit of SRD 1 million.

#### **PROSPECTS**

ALTT is on the right track. With the approval of the new products and renewal of the automation system, the premium income will increase and costs will be controlled. With the introduction of the new insurance Act in Trinidad & Tobago, to be proclaimed shortly, stricter capital requirements are imposed on insurance companies. Complying with these capital requirements may be a challenge for many insurers, including ALTT.

### Assuria General (GY) INC.

We are very satisfied with the developments of Assuria General (GY) Inc. The policy is aimed at offering the most modern products and a good regional distribution. In 2017 a new branch was opened in the residential community of Diamond and in March 2018 the sixth branch was opened in the little town of Linden. Assuria is gaining a larger market share in Guyana. Premium income in GY dollars increased by 43%. In SRD premium income increased by 44%; from SRD 18.6 million in 2016 to SRD 26.8 million in 2017. The premium for the Fire branch increased by 105%, the Motor branch by 63% and the Varia branch by 30%.

Claims own account amounted to SRD 4 million in 2017 (2016: SRD 4 million). Operating expenses increased by 34% from SRD 6 million to SRD 8.1 million. The operating result increased by 183% from SRD 1.5 million in 2016 to SRD 4.2 million in 2017. The pre-tax profit amounted to SRD 4.2 million in 2017 compared to SRD 1.5 million in 2016.

#### **PROSPECTS**

With the discovery of large oil reserves, the noticeable increase in foreign investors offers opportunities for the insurance industry and we expect our market share to continue to grow. Assuria will have to respond with its products that cover in particular the liability risk.

## Assuria Life (GY) INC.

Although production increased, we are not completely satisfied. There was still a loss, which once again required a capital injection of GY dollars of 15 million; in 2016, that amounted to 57.5 million GY dollars. We expect that it will be necessary provide more support in the future in the form of capital injections.

We remain convinced of the company's profit potential in the long term. The gross premium income for 2017 in GY-dollars increased by 38%, in SRD the premium income increased by 39%.

Investment income increased by 84% from SRD 271,000 to SRD 498,000. The movements in insurance-related provisions increased by 32% from SRD 3 million to SRD 4 million.

Operating expenses increased by 7% from SRD 1.7 million to SRD 1.8 million. Pre-tax loss decreased from SRD 1 million to SRD 0.4 million.

#### **PROSPECTS**

As already mentioned, regarding Assuria General (GY) Inc. the Guyanese market offers possibilities. The per capita income is expected to increase and consequently also the need for savings products. Assuria will respond to this with its regional distribution.

## Human Resources

Every year, the Human Resources department draws up a social annual report for the group, in which all statistics and developments relating to employees and personnel policy are discussed. This report is also discussed with the employees.

#### TRAINING

In 2017 we once again provided training courses or arranged these for our employees. In total 164 (2016: 176) employees followed at least one training course in Suriname. This amounts to 64% of our workforce.

In 2017, 21 training courses were provided in Suriname (2016: also 21 training courses).

In 2017, a total of 39 training courses were provided within the Assuria Group.

### **CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT**

In 2017 depending on the local conditions, in all companies of the group both the primary and the secondary employment conditions were improved.

The pensions of our retirees were also improved.

### PERSONNEL

On April 1, 2017, Mrs. Angela Sardjoe MSc joined our company as a staff member in the position of Group Enterprise Risk Manager. On May 1, 2017, Mr. Dhiradj Badloe MSc commenced his employment with us as Group Information & Communication Technology Manager. On January 1, 2018, Mrs. Sandra Madari was appointed Group Internal Audit Manager.

In 2017, four (4) Assuria employees reached the retirement age.

- On July 1, 2017, after 38 years of service, we said goodbye to Mr. Stephen Smit, former general manager.
- In December 31, 2017 we said goodbye to the ladies Shirlita Stoutenburg-Belfor (37 years of service), Audrey Warsosemito-Van Leeuwaarde (42 years of service) and Mr. Ashokkumar Biere (37 years of service).

We thank them for their contribution to the development of our company.

On October 19, 2017 retired employee Diana Vakkers passed away and on February 26, 2018 our employee Bharat Doerga passed away. Bharat completed thirty-five (35) years of service with us, and last worked at the General Affairs department.

In 2017, our company had twenty-seven (27) persons celebrating their anniversary, sixteen (16) of whom are employed with Assuria Suriname, seven (7) with Gulf Insurance Ltd. and four (4) with Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.

Seventeen (17) of the persons celebrating their anniversary have been employed with the company for 20 years or more.

As at December 31, 2017, the number of employees with the Assuria group according to gender was as stated below:

	Suriname	Trinidad & Tobago	Guyana	Total Assuria Grouj	
			2017	2016	
Vrouwen	169	86	27	282	271
Mannen	89	30	12	131	127
Totaal	258	116	39	413	398

### Prospects

Although economic indicators are moving in the right direction, we need to be cautious. As stated earlier, it is important to diversify the economy in order to increase state revenues and to drastically cut into non-productive spending in the economy, as we do not wish for the country's debt to become disproportionate. There are a few challenges as far as Assuria is concerned. The downward trend of the interest rate on foreign currency investments in Suriname, partly in relation to the guaranteed notional interest rate of 4% in the life business constitutes a risk. Additionally, the reduced demand for mortgages and the limited other investment opportunities in the local market should be taken into consideration.

As already stated in the previous annual report, a decision will have to be made whether to continue with the medical operations. The medical operations continue to be loss-making, and the premiums set out in the National Basic Healthcare Act have not been adjusted by the government due to the political risk.

We are positive about the prospects for our foreign branches. The economic outlook for Guyana and Trinidad & Tobago is favorable.

We expect to continue to achieve good results in the near future for the benefit of all our stakeholders.

### Acknowledgement

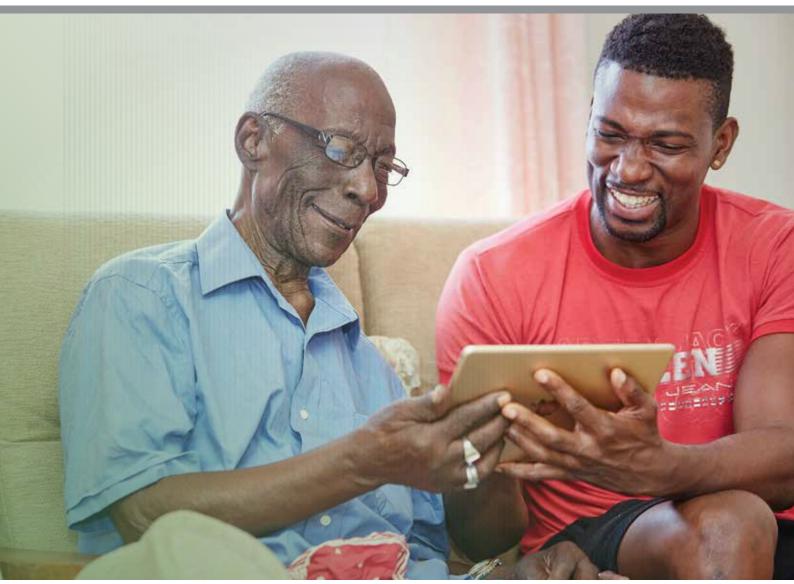
To conclude, we thank all our employees and agents for their effort and dedication, as a result of which we were able to close another good year. In addition we are grateful to the Supervisory Board for their support and to our shareholders and customers for the trust placed in us.

Paramaribo, May 29, 2018

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# Financial Statements 2017

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### **Consolidated statement** of financial position as at December 31, 2017

Amounts in Suriname Dollars

	Note	2017	2016
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Goodwill	1	4,300,641	4,300,641
Tangible fixed assets	2	161,900,289	145,383,555
Real estate investments	3	300,312,362	186,078,721
Investments in non-consolidated participations	4	58,736,314	71,542,122
Financial investments	5	1,480,220,828	1,476,534,097
Deferred tax assets	6	18,933,581	9,190,986
Total non-current assets		2,024,404,015	1,893,030,122
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Current assets			
Insurance related receivables	7	83,686,534	94,785,823
Other receivables	8	83,659,907	99,556,086
Cash and cash equivalents	9	193,556,337	113,413,455
Total current assets		360,902,778	307,755,364
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Total assets		2,385,306,793	2,200,785,486
Group equity	10	655 290	655 200
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Paid in share capital	10	655,380	655,380
Reserves	10	254,687,350	306,558,845
Minority interest		5,101,543	2,594,150
Total group equity		260,444,273	309,808,375
Long-term liabilities		4 005 007 000	
Insurance related provisions	11	1,605,837,883	1,503,718,647
Employee Benefit Plans	12	16,092,400	18,491,560
Other long-term liabilities	13	243,515,370	136,328,110
Deferred tax liabilities	14	95,046,133	93,951,107
Total long-term liabilities		1,960,491,786	1,752,489,424
Short-term liabilities			
Insurance related liabilities		23,335,434	34,457,538
Reinsurance liabilities		30,514,910	11,758,245
Taxes	15	64,177,677	45,356,244
Other liabilities	16	46,342,713	46,915,660
Total short-term liabilities		164,370,734	138,487,687
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Total equity and liabilities		2,385,306,793	2,200,785,486

Note:

\* Since DAVG is fully consolidated as at June 30, 2017 instead of 50%, significant movements have occurred, particularly in real estate investments, other long-term liabilities and minority interest within group equity.

# 2017 Consolidated profit and loss account based upon geographic segmentation Amounts in Suriname Dollars

	Note	Suriname	Trinidad & Tobago	Guyana	Tot	al	
					2017	2016	
Income							
Premium income		430,985,436	135,732,806	32,188,491	598,906,733	543,961,029	
Reinsurance premium		18,780,557	43,962,175	8,044,675	70,787,407	76,352,848	
Net premium income	1	412,204,879	91,770,631	24,143,816	528,119,326	467,608,181	
Realized investment income	2	87,875,807	13,611,433	315,271	101,802,511	90,929,580	
Unrealized investment income	3	4,954,566	2,805,947	-	7,760,513	4,394,883	
Other income	4	7,930,962	1,463,812	934,803	10,329,577	6,491,643	
Total income		512,966,214	109,651,823	25,393,890	648,011,927	569,424,287	
Expenses							
Claims and surrenders	5	244,075,340	60,718,413	4,372,297	309,166,050	295,003,839	
Exchange rate differences investments related to insurance liabilities		-13,606,935	-	-	-13,606,935	-372,216,377	
Change in insurance related provisions	6	94,120,439	-6,152,305	6,393,926	94,362,060	453,153,241	
Operating expenses (including acquisition costs)	7	137,498,890	39,934,601	9,868,568	187,302,059	152,128,512	
Profit sharing and discounts	8	25,355,436	-	21,514	25,376,950	25,349,482	
Change in Employee Benefit Plans	9	1,851,282	-	-	1,851,282	504,588	
Depreciation		1,756,443	3,632,100	946,461	6,335,004	6,162,874	
Total expenses		491,050,895	98,132,809	21,602,766	610,786,470	560,086,159	
Operating result		21,915,319	11,519,014	3,791,124	37,225,457	9,338,128	
Exchange rate differences		7,838,916	699,186	-25,018	8,513,084	152,900,463	
Result before taxation		29,754,235	12,218,200	3,766,106	45,738,541	162,238,591	
Income tax		16,208,523	1,665,598	1,599,798	19,473,919	21,628,997	
Deferred tax	10	2,451,196	-8,481,968	109,673	-5,921,099	72,170,753	
Result after taxation	11	11,094,516	19,034,570	2,056,635	32,185,721	68,438,841	
Result after taxation is for account of							
Shareholders of Assuria N.V.		9,883,549	19,023,694	1,542,476	30,449,719	67,859,110	
Minority interest		1,210,967	10,876	514,159	1,736,002	579,731	
Result after taxation		11,094,516	19,034,570	2,056,635	32,185,721	68,438,841	

# 2017 Consolidated profit and loss account based upon activities

Amounts in Suriname Dollars

	General	Investments General Medical Life & other activities		Total		
					2017	2016
Income						
Premium income	270,510,684	154,702,976	173,693,073	-	598,906,733	543,961,029
Reinsurance premium	60,683,740	2,808,244	7,295,423	-	70,787,407	76,352,848
Net premium income	209,826,944	151,894,732	166,397,650	-	528,119,326	467,608,181
Realized investment income	13,035,194	3,158,979	78,158,098	7,450,240	101,802,511	90,929,580
Unrealized investment income	-	-	4,997,453	2,763,060	7,760,513	4,394,883
Other income	-1,380,736	886,325	3,741,307	7,082,681	10,329,577	6,491,643
Total income	221,481,402	155,940,036	253,294,508	17,295,981	648,011,927	569,424,287
Expenses						
Claims and surrenders	86,928,418	141,669,490	80,568,142	-	309,166,050	295,003,839
Exchange rate differences investments related to insurance liabilities	-2,600,208	-3,825	-11,002,902	-	-13,606,935	-372,216,377
Change in insurance related provisions	10,222,061	9,644,027	74,495,972	-	94,362,060	453,153,241
Operating expenses (including acquisition costs)	81,901,835	22,802,940	62,490,677	20,106,607	187,302,059	152,128,512
Profit sharing and discounts	-	991,201	24,385,749	-	25,376,950	25,349,482
Change in Employee Benefit Plans	1,009,951	297,748	530,053	13,530	1,851,282	504,588
Depreciation	4,306,068	163,205	1,865,731	-	6,335,004	6,162,874
Total expenses	181,768,125	175,564,786	233,333,422	20,120,137	610,786,470	560,086,159
Operating result	39,713,277	-19,624,750	19,961,086	-2,824,156	37,225,457	9,338,128
Exchange rate differences	3,220,919	1,066,920	4,282,314	-57,069	8,513,084	152,900,463
Result before taxation	42,934,196	-18,557,830	24,243,400	-2,881,225	45,738,541	162,238,591
Income tax	9,483,130	-	10,034,586	-43,797	19,473,919	21,628,997
Deferred tax	-7,536,800	209,839	1,341,769	64,093	-5,921,099	72,170,753
Result after taxation	40,987,866	-18,767,669	12,867,045	-2,901,521	32,185,721	68,438,841
Result after taxation is for account of						
Shareholders of Assuria N.V.	40,367,358	-18,668,200	12,827,449	-4,076,888	30,449,719	67,859,110
Minority interest	620,508	-99,469	39,596	1,175,367	1,736,002	579,731
Result after taxation	40,987,866	-18,767,669	12,867,045	-2,901,521	32,185,721	68,438,841

### Consolidated equity movement schedule as at December 31, 2017

Amounts in Suriname Dollars

	Equity	Minority	Total
		interest	
Balance as at January 1, 2016	305,141,851	918,348	306,060,199
Final dividend 2015	-8,192,251	-	-8,192,251
Balance as at January 1, 2016 (after proposed appropriation of result)	296,949,600	918,348	297,867,948
Adjustment AT1 DSB	-8,890,283	-	-8,890,283
Restated balance as at January 1, 2016 (after proposed appropriation of result)	288,059,317	918,348	288,977,665
Interim dividend 2016	-1,966,140	-	-1,966,140
Net profit for the year after tax	67,859,110	579,731	68,438,841
Revaluation of investments in non-consolidated participations	-84,183,964	-	-84,183,964
Revaluation property	32,258,718	146,266	32,404,984
Revaluation property DAVG	1,798,410	-	1,798,410
Realized foreign exchange results hedge	70,310	441	70,751
Adjusted deferred tax DAVG	-578,445	-	-578,445
Other (including currency translation adjustments)	3,896,909	949,364	4,846,273
Balance as at December 31, 2016	307,214,225	2,594,150	309,808,375
Final dividend 2016	-9,022,505	-	-9,022,505
Balance as at December 31, 2016 (after proposed appropriation of result)	298,191,720	2,594,150	300,785,870

	Equity	Minority	Total
		interest	
Balance as at January 1, 2017	298,191,720	2,594,150	300,785,870
Net profit for the year after tax	30,449,719	1,736,002	32,185,721
Interim dividend 2017	-2,095,550	-	-2,095,550
Revaluation of investments in non-consolidated participations	-12,805,808	-	-12,805,808
Revaluation property	-368,345	-2,559	-370,904
Purchase of own shares from DSB	-62,327,192	-	-62,327,192
Capital injection in DAVG	10,000,000	9,510,000	19,510,000
Revaluation property DAVG including sale of project Morgenstond	-4,509,685	-4,332,834	-8,842,519
Other (including currency translation adjustments)	-1,192,129	-4,403,216	-5,595,345
Balance as at December 31, 2017	255,342,730	5,101,543	260,444,273
Final dividend 2017	-8,673,247	-	-8,673,247
Balance as at December 31,2017 (after proposed appropriation of result)	246,669,483	5,101,543	251,771,026

As from June 2017, DAVG is included in the consolidation for 100% instead of 50%. The purchase of own shares is recognized against equity in accordance with accounting principles.

The foreign currency part of the equity amounts to approximately USD 32.9 million (2016: approximately USD 40.4 million).

### **Consolidated cash flow statement 2017**

Amounts in Suriname Dollars

	2017	2016
Cash flow from operating activities		
Result before taxation	45,738,541	162,238,591
Depreciation	6,335,004	6,162,874
	52,073,545	168,401,465
Adjustments for:		
Unrealized investment income	-7,760,513	-4,394,883
Unrealized exchange rate differences	-19,566,669	-511,285,300
Change in insurance related provisions	94,362,060	453,153,241
Change in Employee Benefit Plans	1,851,282	504,588
Doubtful debts and credit provision	34,421,541	9,101,364
Changes in operating capital		
Insurance related receivables	1,568,166	-49,915,919
Other receivables	17,205,226	-50,713,727
Insurance related liabilities	-11,122,104	20,995,550
Reinsurance liabilities	18,756,665	4,920,074
Taxes	-13,456,246	-19,674,616
Other liabilities	-13,456,246 14,049,608	61,987,181
	182,382,561	83,079,018
Cash flow from investing activities		
Investments fixed assets	-24,109,078	-9,566,701
Other investments	-1,400,540,204	-1,723,938,199
Disinvestments	1,407,156,937	1,696,153,523
Purchase of own shares	-62,327,192	-
	-79,819,537	-37,351,377
Cash flow from financing activities		
Change in long-term liabilities	-13,927,568	30,199,991
Dividends paid	-9,832,810	-8,351,455
	-23,760,378	21,848,536
Change in cash and cash equivalents	78,802,646	67,576,177
Effect on cash and cash equivalents from 100% consolidation of DAVG	1,340,236	-
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of reporting period	113,413,455	45,837,278
end of reporting period	193,556,337	113,413,455

The cash flow statement is prepared according to the indirect method. Only those movements which led to a change in the cash and cash equivalents were taken into consideration. Revaluations were not taken into consideration. The effects of exchange rate differences on the balances of cash and cash equivalents denominated in foreign currency were incorporated as exchange rate differences in the operating result.

In preparing the cash flow statement, the effect of the 100% consolidation of DAVG on the balance sheet positions has been taken into account.

### ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMPANIES AND PRIMARY ACTIVITIES

Assuria N.V. with its registered office in Suriname was established on March 25, 1991 and operates within the insurance sector. At the same time Assuria is a major institutional investor, mainly active in the field of mortgage lending. Furthermore, it has substantial interests in a number of leading local companies and it invests in the international capital market. The main market of the Assuria Group is in Suriname. In 2012 the business expanded to Guyana and from 2013 to Trinidad & Tobago. The shares of Assuria N.V. are listed on the Suriname Stock Exchange.

Because of the capital injection done in 2017 in Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V., the number of shares increased with 5,000 shares at a price of SRD 1,000 per share (par value SRD 0.01). Assuria N.V. participated fully in this emission. Also a capital injection of GYD 1.5 million was done in Assuria Life (GY) Inc. The participation of Assuria N.V. is 75%. As at June 30, 2017 the participation of Assuria N.V. in the share capital of DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. is 51% or 5,0004 shares. The figures of this participation are per that date for 100% included in the consolidation.

### Assuria *Levensverzekering* N.V. (Life insurance), previously ENNA N.V., established in Suriname on March 01, 1961

The main activity of Assuria *Levensverzekering* N.V. is offering life insurances, including risk, savings and pension insurances. In addition the company is an institutional investor, active in the field of mortgage lending and it invests in the international capital market.

# Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V. (General insurance), previously NEN Schadeverzekering N.V.,

### established in Suriname on October 20, 1980

The main activity of Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V. is offering general insurances, including property, traffic, liability and travel insurances.

# Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V. (Medical insurance), previously De Nationale N.V., established in Suriname on January 17, 1953

The most important activity of Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V. is offering health insurances.

### Assuria Life (GY) Inc. established in Guyana on August 21, 2009 and operational from March 31, 2012

The main activity of Assuria Life (GY) Inc. is offering life insurances.

Assuria General (GY) Inc. established in Guyana on August 21, 2009 and operational from March 31, 2012 The main activity of Assuria General (GY) Inc. is offering general insurances.

### Gulf Insurance Limited, established in Trinidad & Tobago on March 28, 1974

In 2013 Assuria N.V. acquired all the shares. On March 26, 2013 and on April 26, 2013 the Central Bank of Trinidad & Tobago and the Central Bank of Suriname respectively, granted official permission to acquire 100% shares of Gulf. The main activity of Gulf Insurance Limited is offering all classes of general and marine insurances.

### Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd., previously Mega Insurance Company Ltd., established in Trinidad & Tobago on December 31, 1980 under the name of Guyana and Trinidad Mutual Life Insurance Company Limited

As of June 2011, Assuria N.V. has been engaged in acquiring a significant share in this life insurance company, Mega Insurance Ltd. On November 11, 2011 an official bid was made and on January 6, 2015 Assuria became share-holder of Mega for 77%. The share went up to 97% after a capital injection of USD 3.5 million was made in March 2015 through the purchase of 150,000,000 newly issued shares. In December 2015 a capital injection of USD 2.5 million was done through the purchase of 107,456,667 shares, with which the investment went up to 98.4%. The main activity of Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd. is offering life insurances. Recently (2018) they also started offering collective health insurances.

Assuria is the holding company of the shares of the following operating companies.

		Paid in share capital	Participation	Share in %
Assuria Levensverzekering N.V. (Life insurance)	SRD	1,294	1,285	99.30
Assuria Schadeverzekering N.V. (General insurance)	SRD	3,500	3,500	100.00
Assuria <i>Medische Verzekering</i> N.V. (Medical insurance)	SRD	3,160	3,143	99.47
Assuria Life (GY) Inc.	GYD	188,750,000	141,562,500	75.00
Assuria General (GY) Inc.	GYD	84,000,000	63,000,000	75.00
Gulf Insurance Limited	TTD	46,240,000	46,240,000	100.00
Assuria Life T&T Ltd.	TTD	57,401,357	56,482,935	98.40
Assuria <i>Beleggingsmaatschappij</i> N.V. (Investment company)	SRD	1,927	1,920	99.67
Aarvina Trading N.V.	SRD	2,000	2,000	100.00
DSB-Assuria Vastgoed Maatschappij N.V. (Real estate)	SRD	980,400	500,004	51.00

Assuria *Beleggingsmaatschappij* N.V. (Investment company), previously N.V. Nationale Investeringsen Financieringsmaatschappij (investment and financing company), established in Suriname on December 29, 1959

The main activity of Assuria *Beleggingsmaatschappij* N.V. is investing in local companies for investment purposes.

### Aarvina Trading N.V. established in Suriname on June 22, 2005

On December 20, 2013 Assuria N.V. acquired all shares of Aarvina Trading N.V. The company owns the right to land lease of the plot at the Recolaan in the vicinity of the Mr. J. Lachmonstraat. Assuria N.V. has started with the construction of an office building on this plot, so-called 'Assuria Hermitage High-Rise'. As at December 31, 2017, the building at the Henck Arronstraat is taken over from Assuria *Medische Verzekeringen* N.V.

### DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. (Real estate company), previously N.V. Kankantrie Beleggingsmaatschappij established in Suriname on August 05, 1988

As at June 30, 2017, Assuria N.V. acquired 51% interest in this company after a capital injection was made. Previously, this company was a joint venture (50%) between Assuria N.V. and De Surinaamsche Bank N.V. DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. also has a whollyowned subsidiary named Panaso *Vastgoed* N.V. The main activities of DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. are asset management and real estate development.

### SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

### GENERAL

The consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for financial reporting applicable to insurance companies. The financial reports of Gulf Insurance Ltd., Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd., Assuria General (GY) Inc. and Assuria Life (GY) Inc. are prepared in accordance with IFRS. Since the 2013 financial year Assuria has begun the transition towards reporting under IFRS. This includes specific standards related to the insurance related provisions. In this respect, and also in relation to the harmonization of the accounting principles within the Assuria Group, the methodology for the determination of the technical provisions was adjusted in 2015. Prudency has increased and the provisions are determined at market value. As from the financial year 2020, both the consolidated and the company financial statements will be prepared in accordance with IFRS standards.

For general and medical related provisions, alignment was sought with the AM Best-rating model, which within the Caribbean is seen as "best practice". With respect to the insurance related provisions of the life company, the Caribbean Policy Premium Method (CPPM) is used.

### TAX AND DEFERRED TAX

Based upon the legislative act regarding the income tax passed in 2016, it was determined that the equalization reserve as per December 31, 2015 needed to be phased out in two years. As of January 1, 2016 no addition to the equalization reserve is allowed.

Although the legislative act was passed in 2016, because of its significance it was decided to account for the impact on equity and the income tax position already in the 2015 financial accounts. Therefore the fiscal equalization reserves, after the deduction of the adjustments to the insurance related provisions and after addition of the result, have been ended as per the end of 2015, and with which on the one hand the income tax payable has been deducted from the equity and on the other hand has been accounted for under the income tax liabilities. Because the unrealized foreign exchange results are non-taxable until they become realized, a deferred tax liability has been formed as per year end.

### **IFRS CONVERSION PROCESS**

In the half year report of 2017 it was reported that due to the internationalization of the Assuria group, it was decided to prepare the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) in the near future. On September 24, 2017 the act on financial statement was passed. Based upon this act, from 2020 both the consolidated and the company financial statements of Assuria will be prepared and published in accordance with the IFRS standards.

In accordance with article 24 "Overgangsbepaling" the financial statements of large entities and public interest must comply with applicable reporting standards from 2020.

In 2015 an impact analysis was carried out in preparation of the transition to IFRS. This evaluation is aimed at determining the impact and any necessary financial and/or organizational measures in support and realization of a precise transition to IFRS reporting.

In addition to the qualitative impact, Assuria is working to further quantify and analyze the effects of a transition to IFRS in relation to the financial effects on the equity, results and solvency of Assuria.

This assessment is aimed to determine the impact and any financial measures to be taken and / or organizational

measures to support and realize a careful transition to IFRS reporting.

With the adjustments to the insurance related provisions made in 2015, the basis was set for the IFRS 4 standard "Insurance Contracts".

In addition, within the consolidated financial statements the following IFRS standards have in principle been applied:

- IAS 07 Statement of Cash Flows
- IAS 10 Events after the Reporting Period
- IAS 18 Revenue
- IAS 19 Employee Benefits
- IAS 21 The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates
- IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures
- IAS 33 Earnings per Share
- IFRS 3 Business Combinations
- IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements
- IFRS 11 Joint Arrangements
- IFRS 12 Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities

### **CONSOLIDATION PRINCIPLES**

Subsidiaries are all entities in which Assuria N.V. – direct or indirect – has executive power in relation to the financial and operational policies. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which the executive power is transferred to Assuria N.V. All intercompany balances, transactions, gains and losses as per balance sheet date are fully eliminated.

The minority share is part of the equity in the subsidiary that belongs to third parties.

### VALUATION PRINCIPLES

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on historical cost basis, modified by the revaluation of certain property, plant and equipment, financial assets and liabilities based on fair value. For the preparation of the (consolidated) financial statements, the management made a number of estimates and assumptions (so-called professional judgement), which affect related balance sheet items as well as income and expense in the reporting period. These include amongst others the determination of the fair value of assets and liabilities, impairments and the insurance related provisions as well as the provision for doubtful debts.

The estimates and assumptions are liable to changes and are continuously evaluated. Although these estimates are based on management knowledge, historical experiences and events, the results in reality can differ from the estimates.

#### Impairment of assets

At the end of each reporting period the management should determine whether the value of the financial assets has decreased. Assets are impaired if the carrying value of these assets exceeds the fair value, and if there is objective evidence of impairment. Losses which arise from the impairment are accounted for in the profit and loss account under the operating expenses.

### **INTANGIBLE ASSETS**

#### Goodwill

Goodwill is the positive difference between the acquisition price and the initial valuation of the shares. Goodwill is not amortized. Annually the need for impairment is assessed.

### **TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

### Property

The property is valued at current value, less any impairment losses. The current value is based on valuations, which are generally of recent date but not older than five years. Investments made after the last known valuation are capitalized at acquisition value. A revaluation reserve is created for the revaluations. Because the company does not intend to alienate the property, there is no provision for deferred taxes formed in relation to these assets.

#### Fixed assets

The fixed assets concern company vehicles, furniture and equipment, hardware and software and are valued at acquisition cost less straight-line depreciation based on the estimated useful life. Depreciations are calculated from the date of acquisition or from the date the asset is taken into use.

The depreciation rates used are stated below:

Company vehicles	20.0%
Furniture and equipment	33.3%
Hard and software	20.0%

### **REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT**

Real estate investments are kept for creating value on long term, to gain income from rent or to gain profit from selling. These real estate investments are valued against fair value. A revaluation reserve is formed for the movement. Where it is not the intention to alienate certain real estate investments, no deferred taxes are accounted for in relation to these investments

# INVESTMENT IN NON-CONSOLIDATED PARTICIPATION

This concerns the interest in De Surinaamse Bank N.V. and is valued against the interest in the equity, which is derived from their financial figures as per year end.

A revaluation reserve is formed for the movement in the participation. No deferred taxes are accounted for in relation to this movement.

### **FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS**

The term deposits, bonds and treasury bills are valued against the fair value.

Mortgages are valued against the redemption value of the debt, taking into account a provision for bad debts and in which the fair value equals the liquidation value of the collateral.

Loans issued are included against the redemption value of the capital.

Securities are valued at fair value; basically the stock market quotation. For the securities of foreign companies the rate per balance sheet date as listed at the international stock market is used. Securities of local companies are listed at the Suriname Stock Exchange.

Unrealized movements in the share prices of the securities portfolio are entered in the profit and loss account under the unrealized investment income.

Investments for account of policyholders relate to investments under the Assuria Investment Plan in foreign funds. The investment risk is fully borne by the policyholders.

### **DEFERRED TAXATION**

The deferred taxation assets concern losses from previous years for which it is probable that sufficient prospective fiscal profit will be available to compensate those losses and that these can be settled as such.

The deferred taxation liabilities are related to future tax payables caused by temporary differences, as result of differences in accounting and fiscal principles. The deferred taxation assets and liabilities are valued against the par value.

### **RECEIVABLES FROM INSURANCE ACTIVITIES**

This item concerns short term receivables from clients and agents and are stated at amortized cost, which is equivalent to the par value. A provision is made for bad debts based upon the aging and the estimation of collectability.

### **OTHER RECEIVABLES**

The investment debtors concern mainly short term receivables and are stated at amortized cost, which is equivalent to the par value. Where necessary, a provision for doubtful debts has been taken into account.

### **CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT**

Cash and cash equivalents are stated at par value. These cash and cash equivalents are readily available and at the free disposal of the company, unless stated otherwise.

### **INSURANCE RELATED PROVISION**

Actuarial calculations and assessments are performed on the premium reserve of life insurances and unearned positions of general and medical insurances.

The outstanding claims concern a provision for claims not yet settled at the balance sheet date.

Calculations are performed individually, taking into account an estimate for claims not yet reported at the time of determining this provision. The adequacy of these provisions is actuarially assessed (annually and semiannually).

The claim and premium provisions are based on the BEST Capital Adequacy Ratio model.

With respect to the insurance related provisions of the Life Company, in 2015 the methodology was changed

to the Caribbean Policy Premium Method (CPPM). The CPPM reserve is calculated based upon market value assumptions and includes a prescribed prudence margin for any uncertainties in the determination of these assumptions.

### **EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS**

The employee benefits are actuarially determined annually. The obligation arising from defined benefits to employees is secured at Assuria *Levensverzekering* N.V. The movement of this part of the liability is included in the income statement under the "Change in Employee benefit plans".

For the backservice-liabilities arising from the pension scheme for employees in Suriname an additional provision is formed.

By virtue of the collective agreement, the employees that are active and their family members shall be entitled to medical care. To finance these claims a provision is formed during the active service period of the employee.

For the retired employees and their family members a provision is formed separately.

#### **OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

Long-term liabilities concern obligations with initially a maturity of longer than one year; these are included at par value.

### **OTHER LIABILITIES**

The other liabilities concern obligations with basically a term shorter than one year and are accounted against par value.

#### **PRINCIPLES FOR DETERMINING THE RESULT**

All income and expenses arising during the financial year are recognized in the profit and loss account.

This takes into account the deferred income and accrued receivables as well as prepaid expenses and accrued payables. The description of the accounting principles for determination of profit/loss are also included in the explanatory notes to the balance sheet items.

# PRINCIPLES FOR TRANSLATION OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Each group company uses its relevant functional currency, being the currency of the country in which the company

operates. In the preparation of the consolidated financial statements the different currencies are converted to the functional currency of Assuria N.V., more in particular the Suriname Dollar.

The exchange rate differences arising from the translation of the financial position of foreign subsidiaries at the rate as at balance sheet date are recognized under equity.

The exchange rates applied as at balance sheet date are:

		2017	2016
USD	= SRD	7.520	7.485
Euro	= SRD	8.935	7.834
GYD (per 100)	= SRD	3.648	3.612
TTD	= SRD	1.111	1.109

Capital expenditures, investments as well as income and expenses arising from foreign exchange transactions during the reporting period, are translated at the end of the month rates as indicated by the Central Banks. Monetary balance sheet positions in foreign currency are translated at the exchange rate as at balance sheet date as indicated by the Central Banks.

The translation differences arising from the above are separately recognized as unrealized exchange rate differences in the profit and loss account.

### STRONG RELATIONSHIPS



Amounts in Suriname Dollars

	2017	2016
1 GOODWILL		
Balance as at January 1	4,300,641	2,783,735
Movements in financial year	-	1,516,906
Balance as at December 31	4,300,641	4,300,641

The goodwill is related to the acquisition of Mega Insurance Ltd. and Gulf Insurance Ltd. On yearly basis it is evaluated whether impairment of goodwill needs to take place.

### **2 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

The tangible fixed assets movement schedule is as follows:

	Property	Company	Furniture &	Hard- &	
		Vehicles	Equipment	software	Total
Purchase price					
Balance as at January 1, 2017	127,085,315	4,358,845	20,043,957	37,145,549	188,633,666
Investment	18,140,150	2,264,270	1,639,259	2,065,399	24,109,078
Disinvestment	-	-749,192	-	-	-749,192
Reappraisal/Revaluation*	-1,372,762	8,330	37,684	69,408	-1,257,340
Balance as at December 31, 2017	143,852,703	5,882,253	21,720,900	39,280,356	210,736,212
Cumulative depreciation					
Balance as at January 1, 2017	2,451,637	2,431,263	14,081,317	24,285,894	43,250,111
Movement reporting period (including exchange rate differences)	985,779	378,024	1,273,808	3,697,393	6,335,004
Disinvestment	-	-749,192	-	-	-749,192
Balance as at December 31	3,437,416	2,060,095	15,355,125	27,983,287	48,835,923
Book value					
Balance as at January 1, 2017	124,633,678	1,927,582	5,962,640	12,859,655	145,383,555
Balance as at December 31, 2017	140,415,287	3.822.158	6,365,775	11.297.069	161.900.289

\* Revaluations are related to the tangible fixed assets of the foreign group companies.

The investments concerns SRD 17.2 million investments in progress for the construction of Assuria Hermitage High-rise. The downward revaluation in the property concerns Gulf Insurance Ltd.

There are no material differences in the fair value and the book value. The last reappraisal of the properties in Suriname were performed as at December 31, 2016.

Amounts in Suriname Dollars

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2017

### **3 REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS**

This item relates to real estate held for value creation and used for commercial purposes. This concerns mainly properties of DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. (DAVG) for a total amount of SRD 233.5 million. These properties are fully included in the consolidation as at June 30, 2017, which has caused the increase in reporting year.

Furthermore the investment properties of Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd., which consist of the property and plant that are rented out, are included.

Balance as at January 1	186,078,721	104,406,091
Movements in financial year	114,233,641	81,672,630
Balance as at December 31	300,312,362	186,078,721

There is no material differences in the fair value and the book value.

The total share of Assuria N.V. amounts to 4,477,048 shares, which equals 44% of the issued capital. Dividend is accounted for in the result on cash basis. This item only concerns De Surinaamsche Bank N.V.

#### **5 FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS**

The financial investments are composed as follows:		
Investments held to maturity	774,646,881	843,706,309
Loans and receivables	339,305,175	281,850,068
Trading portfolio	366,268,772	350,977,720
Total financial investments	1,480,220,828	1,476,534,097
Investments held to maturity		
Term deposits	634,328,356	717,021,748
Treasury bills	27,946,355	19,734,604
Bonds	112,372,170	106,949,957
Total	774,646,881	843,706,309
Loans and receivables		
Mortgages	210,600,524	218,385,993
Loans issued	123,549,164	58,233,792
Other loans	5,155,487	5,230,283
Total	339,305,175	281,850,068
Trading portfolio		
Securities	342,483,916	330,365,890
Other investments	23,784,856	20,611,830
Total	366,268,772	350,977,720

\* Reclassification of the bonds from 'Trading portfolio' to 'Investments held to maturity'.

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### Term deposits

For the outstanding deposits in foreign currency as at balance sheet date, an annual interest rate applies varying between 4.6 % and 8% and for deposits in Suriname Dollars between 9.25% and 20.0%.

#### **Treasury bills**

This item concerns an investment in treasury bills at Gulf Insurance Ltd. in order to comply with statutory requirements.

#### Bonds

This item relates to bonds issued by Staatsolie Maatschappij Suriname N.V. at a rate of 7.75% per annum and expires on May 14, 2020. Also bonds issued by 'Republic of Suriname' at a rate of 9.25% per annum which expire on October 26, 2026. In March 2015 a perpetual bond was issued to De Surinaamsche Bank N.V. at a rate of 9% per annum.

#### Mortgages

The interest percentage of the mortgages in Suriname currency varies between 5% and 18% and of the mortgages in foreign currency between 6% and 11% per annum.

#### Loans issued

The loans in Suriname Dollars are set out at 7% to 10.5% per annum and the loans in foreign currency at 4.5% to 10.5% per annum.

#### **Other loans**

This item concerns policy loans in Suriname Dollars at a rate of 10% per annum and 8% per annum for policy loans in foreign currency.

#### Securities

Securities are valued at market value; basically the share price. Foreign securities are based on the share price at the balance sheet date as listed on the international stock exchanges. Local securities are quoted according to the Surinamese stock exchange. The unrealized exchange rate differences of the securities portfolio are recognized in the income statement under the unrealized investment income.

#### Other investments

This item mainly concerns investments under the Assuria Investment Plan in foreign funds. The investment is fully for risk of policyholders.

### **6 DEFERRED TAXATION**

The deferred tax assets relate to Gulf Insurance Ltd. (SRD 14.8 million) and DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. (SRD 4.1 million). These concern mainly the carry forward losses for which is expected that they can be netted off with the future tax profits.

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		2017	2016
7 INSURANCE RELATED RECEIVABLES			
Insurance debtors		105,480,216	113,213,869
Less: Provision for doubtful debts	(i)	-21,793,682	-18,428,046
Total insurance related receivables		83,686,534	94,785,823
(i) Provision for doubtful debts			
The provision is as follows:			
Assuria <i>Levensverzekering</i> N.V.		-2,715,455	-2,052,266
Assuria Schadeverzekering N.V.		-7,382,253	-4,131,899
Assuria Medische Verzekering N.V.		-5,996,012	-6,038,128
Gulf Insurance Ltd.		-5,699,962	-6,205,753
Totaal voorziening voor oninbaarheid		-21,793,682	-18,428,046
8 OTHER RECEIVABLES Receivables from investments	(i)	50,813,065	50,313,441
Receivables nom investments Reinsurance receivables	(1)	1,368,135	1,196,732
Taxation recoverable	(ii)	4,975,037	4,255,919
Retirement Benefit Assets Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.	(iii)	15,953,932	15,743,142
Advance payments	(iv)	10,549,738	28,046,852
Total other receivables		83,659,907	99,556,086
		00,003,307	33,000,000
(i) Receivables from investments			
These receivables are related to the following investments:			
Mortgages		26,164,342	19,652,695
Term deposits		16,272,752	14,333,402
Loans		5,134,984	5,560,799
Bonds		2,661,244	9,222,627
Other investments		579,743	1,543,918
			50,313,441

### (ii) Taxation recoverable

This item concerns a taxation recoverable of Gulf Insurance Ltd. which is due from tax authorities of St. Kitts and Nevis, Grenada, St. Vincent en St. Lucia and the taxation recoverable of Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd. which concerns overpaid tax over the period 2005 - 2016.

### (iii) Retirement Benefit Assets Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.

This item represents the balance between the obligation from the defined benefit scheme and the value of the investments accommodated in a separate fund.

### (iv) Advance payments

This item refers to amounts paid for services and / or goods that are delivered in the following year.

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	2017	2016
9 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
The cash and cash equivalents are as follows:		
Bank balance (current account)	176,203,330	87,549,672
Savings	15,598,291	24,157,548
Cash	1,754,716	1,706,235
Total cash and cash equivalents	193,556,337	113,413,455

For savings in foreign currency at balance sheet date an average interest rate of 0.5% is earned and 5.5% for savings in Suriname Dollars. Cash and cash equivalents are readily available and at the free disposal of the company.

#### **10 PAID IN SHARE CAPITAL**

The share capital consist of 8,000,000 ordinary shares with par value of SRD 0.10 of which 6,553,801 shares are issued and fully paid (2016: 6,553,801). The number of shares entitled to dividend is 5,820,971.

#### **11 INSURANCE RELATED PROVISIONS**

Life insurances	1,354,736,339	1,277,165,769
Non-Life insurances	251,101,544	226,552,878
Total Insurance related provisions	1,605,837,883	1,503,718,647

The adecuacy of the technical provisions are actuarially assessed and considered sufficient.

### Life insurances

The life insurance related provision is composed as follows:

	Balance as at January 1,		Balance as at December 31, 2017
	2017	Movements	
Premium reserve own account	1,265,843,757	74,985,158	1,340,828,915
Other policy liabilities	9,211,336	2,637,060	11,848,396
Profit-sharing	3,212,463	140,433	3,352,896
Unamortized surplus interest rebates	-1,101,787	-192,081	-1,293,868
Total Insurance related provisions life insurances	1,277,165,769	77,570,570	1,354,736,339

#### Premium reserve own account

This provision for life insurance obligations is calculated actuarially on the basis of the assumptions used for the life insurance obligations as at balance sheet date.

Since 2015 the calculation of the provision for Assuria *Levensverzekering* N.V. is in accordance with the CPPM method. The provision for pension obligations towards the employees amounts to SRD 101.8 million (2016: SRD 73 million) and is insured at Assuria *Levensverzekering* N.V. Therefore, this reserve is classified under the Insurance related provisions rather than the Employee Benefit Plans.

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### Other policy liabilities

This item concerns a provision for the settlement of the low premium items. This provision is actuarially established and serves to cover the capitals whose term premium is less than SRD 25 and benefits are less than SRD 25. The capital payable consist partly of 'hard capital' and partly of risk insurance. Premiums received are credited to this provision, while benefits are paid from this provision.

#### **Profit sharing**

This provision consist of the profit sharing amounts intended for insured or for beneficiaries, which is added to their insurance policy.

	2017	2016
Unamortized surplus interest rebates		
Balance as at January 1	-1,101,787	-1,122,518
Discounts awarded during the year	-527,663	-305,887
Amortization	335,582	326,618
Balance as at December 31	-1,293,868	-1,101,787

#### **Non-Life insurances**

The calculation of the provision for Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V. and Assuria *Medische Verzekering* N.V. is since 2015 performed according to the AM Best-rating model.

The unearned premiums and unexpired risks are composed as follows:

	Balance as at January 1, 2017	Movements	Balance as at December 31, 2017
Unearned premiums and unexpired risks	126,141,909	18,853,298	144,995,207
Outstanding claims	100,410,969	5,695,368	106,106,337
Total Insurance related provisions non-life insurances	226,552,878	24,548,666	251,101,544

#### Unearned premiums and unexpired risks

The unearned premiums concerns the unearned portion of the premiums less the unearned portion of the acquisition costs. This item is composed as follows:

	2017	2016
Medical	29,804,067	19,893,155
Fire	71,322,572	47,996,743
Motor	31,894,985	49,430,184
Varia	11,973,583	8,821,827
Total unearned premiums and unexpired risks	144,995,207	126,141,909

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2017	2016

### **Outstanding claims**

The outstanding claims concern the provision for the claims not yet settled as at balance sheet date. Settlement is done systematically item by item, taking into account claims incurred but not yet reported. This item is composed as follows:

Medical	38,777,363	28,163,162
Fire	21,948,688	27,342,318
Motor	36,095,916	36,891,621
Varia	9,284,370	8,013,868
Total outstanding claims	106,106,337	100,410,969

### **12 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS**

This item is composed as follows:		
Provision for pension liabilities	698,545	4,545,261
Provision medical costs for active employees	10,065,367	8,700,204
Provision medical costs for retired employees	5,328,488	5,246,095
Total Employee benefit plans	16,092,400	18,491,560

The employee benefits are actuarially determined annually.

### Provision for pension liabilities

This item concerns the provision for pension liabilities at Gulf Insurance Ltd. and Assuria N.V. At the end of 2017 this amounted to SRD 0.7 million (2016: SRD 4.5 million).

For the backservice-liabilities arising from the future improvement of the pension scheme formed for workers in Suriname, an additional provision is determined. At the end of 2017 this amounts to SRD 0.1 million (2016: SRD 0.2 million).

### Provision medical costs for active employees

By virtue of the collective agreement, the active workers and their family members are entitled to medical care. To finance these claims a provision is formed during the active service period of the employee. The total liability in respect of these claims is actuarially determined annually. For 2017 there is an addition of SRD 1.4 million (release in 2016: SRD 0.3 million).

### Provision medical costs for retired employees

This provision was formed to finance the entitlements to medical care for the retired employees and their family members. This provision is actuarially calculated and for 2017 there has been an addition of SRD 0.5 million (addition in 2016: SRD 0.9 million).

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2017	2016

#### **13 OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

Long-term loans NBBM regarding DSB-Assuria Vastgoed Maatschappij N.V.	(i)	29,700,825	19,224,445
Long-term loans DSB regarding DSB-Assuria Vastgoed Maatschappij N.V.	(ii)	185,457,312	89,557,833
Other long-term loans Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.	(iii)	21,109,000	21,541,342
Provident Fund	(iv)	7,033,538	5,792,913
Others		214,695	211,577
Total Other long-term liabilities		243,515,370	136,328,110

Long-term liabilities concern obligations with initially a maturity of longer than one year; they are stated at face value.

### (i) Long-term loans NBBM regarding DSB-Assuria Vastgoed Maatschappij N.V. (DAVG)

The long-term loans regarding DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. concerns a co-financing of the purchase of land at Accaribo by Panaso *Vastgoed* N.V., a 100% participation of DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. The parties involved in this loan are De Surinaamsche Bank N.V., de *Nationale Beleggings- en Beheersmaatschappij* N.V. (NBBM) en Assuria *Levensverzekering* N.V.

This loan initially concerns a prefinancing of USD 8.5 million by NBBM for the remainder of the purchase of land of 550 hectare large at Accaribo. This loan has an interest rate of 3.5% per annum.

In 2013 a portion was redeemed and in 2016 and 2017 a setlement with NBBM took place. The balance of the loan is USD 4.9 million. The short term part of the loan is classified as short-term liabilities.

### (ii) Long-term loans DSB regarding DSB-Assuria Vastgoed Maatschappij N.V. (DAVG)

The loans concerns projects of DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. en Panaso *Vastgoed* N.V. The loan concerns the financing of the purchase of property, as well as the credit agreement on ongoing costs. The interest rate for the Suriname Dollars is set at 17.7% and 8.8% for foreign currency.

### (iii) Other long-term loans Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.

The long-term loan concerning Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd. is a credit facility of TTD 19.0 million at an interest rate of 6.5% per annum.

### (iv) Provident Fund

The provident fund concerns savings of Assuria full-time agents. The interest rate depends on the average proceeds on investments and was set for 2017 at 9.8% for savings in Suriname Dollars and at 6.8% for the US-Dollars deposits. For 2016 the interest rate was respectively 9.1% en 7.2%.

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	2017	2016
14 DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES		
Assuria Schadeverzekering N.V. (General insurance)	32,151,568	31,316,073
Assuria Medische Verzekering N.V. (Medical Insurance)	9,377,642	9,167,803
Assuria Levensverzekering N.V. (Life insurance)	45,685,336	44,343,567
Assuria General (GY) Inc.	239,563	128,608
Gulf Insurance Ltd.	2,861,351	3,377,239
Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.	588,474	3,241,041
DSB-Assuria Vastgoed Maatschappij N.V. (Real estate)	4,142,199	2,376,776
Total Deferred tax liabilities	95,046,133	93,951,107

For differences in accounting and fiscal principles, deferred taxes are accounted for.

This provision is not made for the reserve arising on the revaluation of real estate, securities and investments, because it is not expected that tax settlement will occur.

The unrealized foreign exchange rate results of the companies established in Suriname become taxable only after realization. The temporary differences lead to a provision for deferred taxation. For this tax burden on the unrealized foreign exchange rate results, a tax liability of 36% is recognized at year-end.

Furthermore, the deferred tax relates to investment properties of DSB-Assuria *Vastgoed Maatschappij* N.V. which are carried at fair value. The fair value is based on (internal) appraisals, which are usually of recent date but not older than five years. The investment properties are fiscally carried at historical cost.

#### **15 TAXES** 36,620,905 32,954,618 Income tax Turnover tax 6,258,478 5,404,801 Salary tax 17,738,656 6,132,707 Dividend tax 624,110 1,066,039 Premium tax & Surrender tax 2,493,599 240,008 **Total taxes** 64,177,677 45,356,244

Differences in accounting and fiscal principles are taken into account when calculating the tax liability.

With the passed legislation on income tax, it has been established that the fiscal equalization reserve must be reduced in two years and settled. As from January 1, 2016 an equalization reserve is no longer permitted and income tax is due on the realized result.

Amounts in Suriname Dollars

2017	2016

#### **16 OTHER LIABILITIES**

(i) 10,728,629	7,244,834
5,730,081	5,937,066
14,211,999	8,028,157
1,989,870	3,862,573
814,179	964,000
(ii) 5,623,051	11,027,343
iii) 7,244,904	9,851,687
46,342,713	46,915,660
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### (i) Liabilities in connection with DSB-Assuria Vastgoed Maatschappij N.V.

In this item the short-term portion of the NBBM loan is included.

### (ii) Accrued expenses

The 'Accrued expenses' concerns provision for bonuses, accrued expenses for pension liabilities and medical costs for employees.

### (iii) Others

The item 'Others' concerns premium received in advance with an effective date after December 31, 2017 and other payable accounts.

### **Off-balance sheet commitments**

On the reporting date, Aarvina Trading N.V. has a number of contracts (off-balance sheet commitments) for the construction of Assuria Hermitage High-rise, which amounts to SRD 53.8 million.

Amounts in Suriname Dollars

	Suriname	Trinidad & Tobago	Guyana	2017	2016
1 NET PREMIUM					
Life insurances	132,017,101	29,150,887	5,229,664	166,397,652	171,868,175
Non-life insurances	280,187,778	62,619,743	18,914,153	361,721,674	295,740,006
Total net premium	412,204,879	91,770,630	24,143,817	528,119,326	467,608,181
Life insurances					
The net premium by geographic segmen					
Periodical premiums	44,736,095	32,953,967	5,443,772	83,133,834	75,339,159
Single premium	7,289,095	-	-	7,289,095	28,730,693
Individual	52,025,190	32,953,967	5,443,772	90,422,929	104,069,852
Periodical premiums	38,896,155	-	· .	38,896,155	41,125,335
Single premium	42,668,627	-	-	42,668,627	30,967,763
Group	81,564,782	-	-	81,564,782	72,093,098
Periodical premiums	-	-		-	335,571
Single premium	1,716,332	-	-	1,716,332	929,809
AB-Plan	1,716,332	-	-	1,716,332	1,265,380
Gross premium	135,306,304	32,953,967	5,443,772	173,704,043	177,428,330
Premium tax	-	-	10,969	10,969	8,471
Reinsurance premium	3,289,203	3,803,080	203,139	7,295,422	5,551,684
Net premium	132,017,101	29,150,887	5,229,664	166,397,652	171,868,175

### Non- life insurance

The net premium by product and geographic segmentation is composed as follows:

Fire	57,012,668	2,419,221	7,257,030	66,688,919	42,500,568
Motor	51,985,590	53,706,610	5,929,559	111,621,759	96,704,536
Varia	19,294,788	6,572,159	5,917,862	31,784,809	23,466,330
Medical	151,894,732	-	-	151,894,732	133,293,859
Gross premium	280,187,778	62,697,990	19,104,451	361,990,219	295,965,293
Premium tax	-	78,247	190,298	268,545	225,287
Net premium	280,187,778	62,619,743	18,914,153	361,721,674	295,740,006

Amounts in Suriname Dollars

		2017				
	Gross premium	Reinsurance premium	Net premium	Gross premium	Reinsurance premium	Net premium
Fire	102,714,529	36,025,610	66,688,919	87,602,324	45,101,756	42,500,568
Motor	118,341,053	6,719,294	111,621,759	104,422,623	7,718,087	96,704,536
Varia	49,723,646	17,938,837	31,784,809	39,278,363	15,812,033	23,466,330
Medical	154,702,976	2,808,244	151,894,732	135,463,148	2,169,289	133,293,859
	425,482,204	63,491,985	361,990,219	366,766,458	70,801,165	295,965,293
Premium tax	268,545	-	268,545	225,287	-	225,287
Total	425,213,659	63,491,985	361,721,674	366,541,171	70,801,165	295,740,006

2017

2016

2 REALIZED INVESTMENT INCOME		
Investments held to maturity		
Term deposits	39,138,351	37,622,709
Treasury bills	795,135	928,947
Bonds	19,707,501	17,111,780
	59,640,987	55,663,436
Loans and receivables		
Mortgages	21,829,777	19,398,180
Loans	10,270,954	4,571,443
Other loans	490,272	534,448
	32,591,003	24,504,071
Trading portfolio		
Securities	9,076,906	9,922,612
Other investments	493,615	839,461
	9,570,521	10,762,073
Total realized investment income	101,802,511	90,929,580

3 UNREALIZED INVESTMENT INCOME	7,760,513	4,394,883
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The unrealized investment income mainly relates to the revaluation of trading securities.

4 OTHER INCOME		
Rental property	2,444,682	2,374,417
Interest savings account	435,498	396,277
Commission received from agencies	391,042	694,082
Other	7,058,355	3,026,867
Total other income	10,329,577	6,491,643

The item 'Other' includes the proceeds of a property sold at Morgenstond by DSB-Assuria Vastgoed Maatschappij N.V.

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	Suriname	Trinidad & Tobago	Guyana	2017	2016
5 CLAIMS AND SURRENDERS					
Non-life insurance	191,524,954	33,011,707	4,061,248	228,597,909	215,401,758
Life insurance	52,550,386	27,706,706	311,049	80,568,141	79,602,081
Total claims and surrenders	244,075,340	60,718,413	4,372,297	309,166,050	295,003,839
Non-life insurance			_		
Fire	13,180,058	5,875,466	221,412	19,276,936	11,711,726
Motor	33,215,835	23,380,620	2,049,326	58,645,781	59,740,284
Varia	3,459,570	3,755,621	1,790,511	9,005,702	7,582,177
Medical	141,669,490	-	-	141,669,490	136,367,571
Total	191,524,953	33,011,707	4,061,249	228,597,909	215,401,758
Life insurance			-		
Annuity	39,519,309	-	-	39,519,309	32,931,662
Death	3,743,737	6,753,391	255,360	10,752,488	8,574,671
Expiration	5,179,635	8,495,310	-	13,674,945	10,487,812
Surrenders	4,107,704	12,458,006	55,689	16,621,399	27,607,936
Total	52,550,385	27,706,707	311,049	80,568,141	79,602,081

### **6 CHANGE IN INSURANCE RELATED PROVISIONS**

Life insurance	71,418,802	-925,515	4,002,686	74,495,973	414,150,641
Non-life insurance	22,701,637	-5,226,790	2,391,240	19,866,087	39,002,600
Total change in insurance related provisions	94,120,439	-6,152,305	6,393,926	94,362,060	453,153,241

#### **7 OPERATING EXPENSES**

Total operating expenses	137,498,890	39,934,601	9,868,568	187,302,059	152,128,512
Acquisition costs	26,077,253	4,462,079	2,721,544	33,260,876	25,953,775
Other expenses	58,602,377	17,330,954	3,863,602	79,796,933	62,248,988
Social costs	8,228,194	-1,680,732	382,896	6,930,358	6,228,254
Salaries and other personnel costs	44,591,066	19,822,300	2,900,526	67,313,892	57,697,495

The negative social costs at Trinidad & Tobago concerns Gulf Insurance Ltd. regarding the release of pension liabilities.

### **8 PROFIT SHARING & DISCOUNTS**

Total profit sharing & discounts	25,355,436	-	21,514	25,376,950	25,349,482
Profit-share policyholders	2,966,262	-	-	2,966,262	3,556,277
Share in surplus interest	15,755,115	-	-	15,755,115	15,902,107
Depreciation interest rebate	335,582	-	-	335,582	326,618
Quantity rebate	6,298,477	-	21,514	6,319,991	5,564,480

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	2017	2016
9 CHANGE IN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS		
Provision medical costs active employees	1,365,163	-348,478
Provision medical costs retired employees	486,119	853,066
Total change in Employee Benefit Plans	1,851,282	504,588

### **10 DEFERRED TAX**

The deferred tax amounts to SRD 6.0 million (negative) against SRD 72.2 million (positive) at the year-end 2016. The negative balance is caused by the carry forward losses of previous years for SRD 8.5 million at Gulf Insurance Ltd.

### **11 RESULT AFTER TAXATION**

The result after taxation for the group is composed as follows:

	Result before taxation	Corporate Income tax	Deferred tax	2017	2016
Suriname					
Assuria Levensverzekering N.V. (Life insurance)	30,586,178	9,669,255	1,341,769	19,575,154	94,198,859
Assuria Schadeverzekering N.V. (General insurance)	20,607,110	6,583,065	835,495	13,188,550	53,166,631
Assuria <i>Medische Verzekering</i> N.V. (Medical insurance)	-18,557,830	-	209,839	-18,767,669	-11,078,174
	32,635,458	16,252,320	2,387,103	13,996,035	136,287,316
Trinidad & Tobago					
Gulf Insurance Ltd.	11,175,119	1,302,283	-8,481,968	18,354,804	7,900,694
Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.	1,043,081	363,315	-	679,766	-2,578,722
	12,218,200	1,665,598	-8,481,968	19,034,570	5,321,972
Guyana					
Assuria General (GY) Inc.	4,189,484	1,597,781	109,673	2,482,030	1,033,892
Assuria Life (GY) Inc.	-423,378	2,017	-	-425,395	-988,203
· ·	3,766,106	1,599,798	109,673	2,056,635	45,689
Other activities (Suriname)					
Assuria <i>Beleggingsmaatschappij</i> N.V. (Investment company)	5,657,997	20,296	-	5,637,701	5,884,239
DSB - Assuria <i>Vastgoed Maatschappij</i> N.V. (Real estate)	2,360,741	-64,093	64,093	2,360,741	-5,023,342
Aarvina Trading N.V.	-240,989	-	-	-240,989	-359,985
Assuria N.V.	-10,658,972	-	-	-10,658,972	-73,717,048
	-2,881,223	-43,797	64,093	-2,901,519	-73,216,136
Total result	45,738,541	19,473,919	-5,921,099	32,185,721	68,438,841

The taxation is calculated according to the tax regulations of the countries in which the different companies are located.

### Company statement of financial position of Assuria N.V. as at

December 31, 2017 Amounts in Suriname Dollars

ASSETS	Note	2017	2016
Non-current assets			
Goodwill	1	4,300,641	4,300,641
Participations in group companies	2	401,696,754	371,665,143
Investment in non-consolidated participations	3	58,736,314	71,542,122
Tangible fixed assets	4	1,700,749	1,135,399
Financial investments	5	21,200,000	15,258,996
Total non-current assets		487,634,458	463,902,301
Current assets			
Due from related parties	6	25,011,170	13,938,436
Other receivables	7	20,836,492	9,532,216
Cash and cash equivalents		2,724,862	4,665,381
Total current assets		48,572,524	28,136,033
Total assets		536,206,982	492,038,334
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Shareholders' Equity			
Paid in share capital	8	655,380	655,380
Share premium reserve		39,827	39,827
Revaluation reserve	9	144,417,233	187,536,343
Other reserve		-132,433,821	-63,877,818
Reserve in participations		242,664,111	182,860,493
		255,342,730	307,214,225
Long-term liabilities			
Employee Benefit Plans	10	15,534,678	14,155,342
Other long-term liabilities	11	87,890,000	95,453,063
Total long-term liabilities		103,424,678	109,608,405
Short-term liabilities			
Due to related parties	12	166,142,953	65,872,700
Other liabilities	13	11,296,621	9,343,004
Total short-term liabilities		177,439,574	75,215,704
Total equity and liabilities		536,206,982	492,038,334

# 2017 Company **profit and loss account**

	Note	2017	2016
Income			
Realized investment income		1,318,748	4,287,325
Management fee	1	19,913,994	6,693,838
Other income (- loss)	2	-63,971	576,436
Total income		21,168,771	11,557,599
Expenses			
Operating expenses	3	30,832,744	24,485,594
Change in Employee Benefit Plans		13,530	55,042
Total expenses		30,846,274	24,540,636
Exchange rate differences		-981,469	-60,734,011
Result excluding result related parties		-10,658,972	-73,717,048
Result related parties		41,108,691	141,576,158
Result including result related parties		30,449,719	67,859,110

# **Equity movement schedule Assuria N.V.** as at December 31, 2017 Amounts in Suriname Dollars

	Share capital	Share premium reserve	Revaluation reserve	Other reserve	Reserve in participations	Total
Balance as at January 1, 2016	655,380	39,827	204,280,453	-11,658,020	111,824,210	305,141,851
Final dividend 2015	-	-	-	-8,192,251	-	-8,192,251
Balance as at January 1, 2016 (after proposed appropriation of result)	655,380	39,827	204,280,453	-19,850,271	111,824,210	296,949,600
Adjustment AT1 DSB	-	-	-8,890,283	-	-	-8,890,283
Restated balance as at January 1, 2016 (after adjustments technical reserves)	655,380	39,827	195,390,170	-19,850,271	111,824,210	288,059,317
Retained earnings for the year	-	-	-	67,859,112	141,576,159	209,435,270
Dividend	-	-	-	-	-9,017,964	-9,017,964
Appropriation of result for the year	-	-	-	67,859,112	132,558,194	200,417,306
Change in reserve participations	-	-	-	-132,558,194	-	-132,558,194
Interim dividend 2016	-	-	-	24,799,310	-26,765,450	-1,966,140
Revaluation of investments in non-consolidated participations 2016	-	-	-84,183,964	-	-	-84,183,964
Unrealized hedge exchange rate differences	-	-	-	-	70,310	70,310
Realized revaluation of property	-		-235,137	235,137	-	-
Unrealized revaluation regarding reappraisal property & plant	-	-	32,493,854	-	-	32,493,854
Unrealized revaluation investment property DAVG	-	-	49,184,222	-	-49,184,222	-
Unrealized revaluation regarding reappraisal property & plant DAVG	-	-	1,798,410	-	-	1,798,410
Adjusted deferred taxation DAVG	-	-	-	-	-578,445	-578,445
Others (particularly translation adjustments)	-	-	-6,911,212	-4,362,911	14,935,896	3,661,773
Balance as at December 31, 2016	655,380	39,827	187,536,343	-63,877,818	182,860,493	307,214,225

	Share capital	Share premium reserve	Revaluation reserve	Other reserve	Reserve in participations	Total
Balance as at January 1, 2017	655,380	39,827	187,536,343	-63,877,818	182,860,493	307,214,225
Final dividend 2016	-	-	-	-9,022,505	-	-9,022,505
Balance as at January 1, 2017 (after proposed appropriation of result)	655,380	39,827	187,536,343	-72,900,323	182,860,493	298,191,720
Retained earnings for the year	-	-	-	30,449,719	41,108,691	71,558,410
Dividend participations	-	-	-	-	-20,376,707	-20,376,707
Appropriation of result for the year	-	-	-	30,449,719	20,731,984	51,181,703
Change in reserve participations	-	-	-	-20,731,984	-	-20,731,984
Interim dividend 2017	-	-	-	-2,095,550	-	-2,095,550
Revaluation of investments in non-consolidated participations 2017	-	-	-12,805,808	-	-	-12,805,808
Revaluation investment property DAVG	-	-	-4,509,685	-	-	-4,509,685
Realized revaluation of property	-	-	-368,345	-	-	-368,345
Purchase own shares from DSB	-	-	-	-62,327,192	-	-62,327,192
Realized revaluation of sale of building Henck Arronstraat 5-7	-	-	-26,318,928	-	26,318,928	-
Capital injection Assuria <i>Medische Verzekering</i> N.V.	-	-	-	-5,000,000	5,000,000	-
Capital injection Assuria Life (GY) Inc.	-	-	-	-410,400	410,400	-
Increase of shares in DAVG	-	-	-	-	10,000,000	10,000,000
Others (particularly translation adjustments)	-	-	883,656	581,909	-2,657,694	-1,192,129
Balance as at December 31, 2017	655,380	39,827	144,417,233	-132,433,821	242,664,111	255,342,730

### Notes to the company financial statements

The accounting policies for the valuation and determination of profit and loss as described in the consolidated statement of financial position and profit and loss account also apply to the company statement of financial position and profit and loss account.

Amounts due from, respectively amounts due to group companies have been included seperately in the statement of financial position.

Changes in the balance sheet total as a result of movements in the revaluation reserve of the participating interests are accounted for in the 'Revaluation reserve'.

Movements in the balance sheet total of the participating interests due to the results of the participating interests are accounted for as result in the income statement. This result is added to the 'Reserve in participations' after deduction of dividend.

Participating interests in foreign currency are converted at the exchange rate as at balance sheet date, as quoted by the Central Bank of Suriname. Participating interests are valued at their respective interest in the equity value.

Exchange rate differences related to participating interests are credited or debited to equity.

Other changes in the valuation of the participating interests, not being the result of share capital movements, are accounted for in the 'Other reserve'.

Amounts in Suriname Dollars

	2017	2016
1 GOODWILL		
Balance as at January 1	4,300,641	2,783,735
Movements in financial year	-	1,516,906
Balance as at December 31	4,300,641	4,300,641

The movement in goodwill relates to the goodwill that came out of the acquisition of Mega Insurance Ltd. and Gulf Insurance Ltd. On yearly basis it is evaluated whether impairment of goodwill needs to take place.

#### **2 PARTICIPATIONS IN GROUP COMPANIES**

Opening balance sheet value	371,665,143	199,664,486
Unappropriated result for the year	41,108,691	141,576,158
Dividend participations 2017	-20,376,707	-35,783,414
Capital injection Assuria Life (GY) Inc. & Assuria General (GY) Inc.	410,400	2,478,735
Unrealized hedge exchange rate differences	-	70,310
Revaluation regarding reappraisal property & plant	-	32,493,854
Revaluation regarding reappraisal property & plant DAVG	-4,509,685	1,798,410
Increase of shares in DAVG	10,000,000	-
Shares issuance Assuria Medische Verzekering N.V.	5,000,000	-
Adjusted deferred taxation DAVG	-	-578,445
Others (particularly translation adjustment)	-1,601,088	29,945,049
Closing balance sheet value	401,696,754	371,665,143

The movements of the net equity value of the participations are as follows: Amounts in thousands of Suriname Dollars

	January 1, 2017	Unappro- priated result after tax	Dividend	Revaluation regarding reappraisal property & plant	Other (incl. Shares issue and capital injection)	December 31, 2017
Assuria <i>Levensverzekering</i> N.V. (Life insurance)	106,249	19,575	-12,941	-	-	112,883
Assuria Schadeverzekering N.V. (General insurance)	84,530	13,189	-7,525	-	-	90,194
Assuria <i>Medische Verzekering</i> N.V. ( <i>Medical insurance</i> )	20,147	-18,768	-	-	4,997	6,376
Gulf Insurance Ltd.	52,104	18,355	-	-	-1,503	68,956
Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.	21,670	680	-	-	257	22,607
Assuria General (GY) Inc.	3,915	2,482	-	-	39	6,436
Assuria Life (GY) Inc	598	-425	-	-	562	735
Assuria <i>Beleggingsmaatschappij N.V.</i> (Investment company)	84,422	5,638	-	-	-	90,060
DSB-Assuria Vastgoed Mij. N.V. (Real estate)	-4,418	2,361	-	-8,843	14,651	3,751
Aarvina Trading N.V.	5,043	-241	-	-	-	4,802
Total participations	374,259	42,845	-20,466	-8,843	19,003	406,798
Minority share	2,594	1,736	-89	-4,333	5,193	5,102
Closing balance	371,665	41,109	-20,377	-4,510	13,810	401,697

Amounts in Suriname Dollars

	2017	2016
3 INVESTMENT IN NON-CONSOLIDATED PARTICIPATIONS	58.736.314	71.542.122

The total share of Assuria N.V. amounts to 4,477,048 shares in De Surinaamsche Bank N.V., which equals 44% of the issued capital. Dividend is accounted for in the result on cash basis. This item only concerns De Surinaamsche Bank N.V.

### **4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

The computer hardware of the Assuria group is classified under the fixed assets. The tangible fixed assets are stated at acquisition cost less straight-line depreciation based on the estimated useful life, which is set at five years. Depreciation is charged to the operating companies.

Movements in this item were as follows:

Balance as at January 1	1,135,399	1,244,083
Investment/ disinvestment	1,155,343	391,068
	2,290,742	1,635,151
Depreciation	-589,993	-499,752
Balance as at December 31	1,700,749	1,135,399

	5 FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS	21,200,000	15,258,996
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Included in this item are the term deposit placements in 2017 with a total amount of SRD 21.2 million. Also, the subordinated loan of USD 2.0 million which was provided to Gulf Insurance Ltd. was settled in 2017.

### **6 DUE FROM RELATED PARTIES**

This relates to the current account receivables from the group companies. For receivables in SRD 6% intercompany interest is charged and for receivables in foreign currency 2%.

#### **7 OTHER RECEIVABLES**

Included is the receivable dividends from subsidiaries for the amount of approximately SRD 20.4 million.

#### **8 PAID IN SHARE CAPITAL**

The share capital consists of 8,000,000 ordinary shares with par value of SRD 0.10 of which 6,553,801 shares are issued and fully paid (2016: 6,553,801).

#### **9 REVALUATION RESERVE**

Opening balance	187,536,343	204,280,453
Revaluation participations DSB N.V.	-12,805,808	-99,985,557
Revaluation regarding reappraisal property & plant	-	34,292,363
Revaluation investment property DAVG	-	49,184,221
Revaluation result of sale real estate	-30,313,302	-235,137
Closing balance	144,417,233	187,536,343

Amounts in Suriname Dollars

	2017	2016
10 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS		
This item is composed as follows:		
Provision for pension liabilities	140,823	209,043
Provision medical costs for active employees	10,065,367	8,700,204
Provision medical costs for retired employees	5,328,488	5,246,095
Total Employee benefit plans	15,534,678	14,155,342

The employee benefits are actuarially determined annually.

### **Provision for pension liabilities**

For the backservice-liabilities arising from the future improvement of the pension scheme formed for workers in Suriname, an additional provision is determined. At the end of 2017 this amounts to SRD 0.1 million(2016: SRD 0.2 million).

### Provision medical costs for active employees

By virtue of the collective agreement, the active workers and their family members are entitled to medical care. To finance these claims a provision is formed during the active service period of the employee. The total liability in respect of these claims is actuarially determined annually.

For 2017 there is an addition of SRD 1.4 million (release in 2016: SRD 0.3 million).

### Provision medical costs for retired employees

This provision was formed to finance the entitlements to medical care for the retired employees and their family members. This provision is actuarially calculated and for 2017 there has been an addition of SRD 0.5 million (addition in 2016: SRD 0.9 million).

### **11 OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES**

- Loans provided by Assuria <i>Levensverzekering</i> N.V. (Life Insurance)	69,090,000	76,740,563
- Loans provided by Assuria Schadeverzekering N.V. (General Insurance)	18,800,000	18,712,500
Total Other long-term liabilities	87,890,000	95,453,063

The provided loans are related to:			
- Acquisition & strengthening equity of Gulf Insurance Ltd.	(i)	50,290,000	58,028,063
- Acquisition & capital injection Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.	(ii)	37,600,000	37,425,000
Total Other long-term liabilities		87,890,000	95,453,063

### (i) Acquisition & strengthening equity of Gulf Insurance Ltd.

Acquisition of Gulf Insurance Ltd.

- June 26, 2013: a loan to finance the acquisition of 100% of the shares of Gulf Insurance Ltd.

The capital sum amounts to USD 4,687,500 at an interest rate of 6% per annum. The interest is paid annually from June 26, 2014. The loan is redeemable at anytime.

#### Strengthen the equity of Gulf Insurance Ltd.

- December 18, 2013: a loan to strenghten the equity of Gulf Insurance Ltd.

The capital sum amounts USD 2,000,000 and was granted at an interest rate of 6.5% per annum. The interest is paid annually from December 18, 2014. The loan is redeemable at anytime.

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### (ii) Acquisition & capital injection Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.

Acquisition of Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.

- Effective as per January 2015 Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd. has been acquired. To finance the acquisition, a loan was provided by Assuria *Levensverzekering* N.V. for the amount of USD 2.5 million at an interest rate of 6.5% per annum.

### Capital injection in Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.

- December 14, 2015: a loan was provided by Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V. for the amount of USD 2.5 million at an interest rate of 6.5% per annum. The purpose of this loan was a capital injection in Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd.

	2017	2016
12 DUE TO RELATED PARTIES		
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Financing for investments in term deposits	20,304,000	-
Financing purchase of shares Assuria N.V.	62,327,192	-
Other debts to related parties	83,511,761	65,872,700
Total due to related parties	166,142,953	65,872,700

#### Financing for investments in term deposits

As of July 2017, a loan was provided by Assuria *Levensverzekering* N.V. for investments in term deposits. The principal amounts to USD 2.7 million at an interest rate of 5% per annum. The interest will be paid annually from July 1, 2018. The loan is redeemable at any time.

### Financing purchase of shares in Assuria N.V.

In March 2017, Assuria *Schadeverzekering* N.V. made funds available for the purchase of shares in Assuria N.V. of De Surinaamsche Bank N.V. No interest is charged on this advance.

### Other debts to related parties

This relates to the current account payables of the group companies. For debts in SRD an intercompany interest of 6% is charged and 2% for debts payables in foreign currency.

### **13 OTHER LIABILITIES**

11,296,621 9,343,004

This includes payable dividend and other current liabilities.

### Notes to the company profit and loss account

Amounts in Suriname Dollars

2017 2016

### **1 MANAGEMENT FEE**

A management fee is charged to compensate for the expenses incurred. The management fee was adjusted in 2017.

### **2 OTHER INCOME**

The negative balance in other income is caused by the write-off of investment in Insync Reinsurance Intermediaries Inc. The balance of this investment amounted to USD 29,420.

### **3 OPERATING EXPENSES**

Salaries and other personnel costs	15,619,773	12,562,419
Social costs	3,696,740	1,221,318
Interest expenses	7,860,223	7,748,020
Other expenses	3,656,008	2,953,837
Total operating expenses	30,832,744	24,485,594

For 2017, just as in 2016 there was no addition to the provision pension costs.

The interest expenses relates to received loans for the acquisition of and capital injection in the Assuria Life (T&T) Ltd., the acquisition and financing to strenghten the equity of Gulf Insurance Ltd. and the financing of the investment in term deposits.

### **Other information**

#### Events after the reporting period

As of April 2018 decided decision was made to strenghten the equity of DAVG. The interest payables to De Surinaamsche Bank N.V. as at March 31, 2018 will be transferred to equity. In line with the participation ratio, Assuria N.V. will transfer its interest receivable as at March 31, 2018, as well as part of the loan issued to equity.

#### Earnings per share

Issued and paid share capital

The net result, dividend and equity per share are presented by dividing the total amount by the number of issued shares. The number of shares issued amounts to 6,553,801.

Underneath, the key figures per share with par value of SRD 0.10 are presented:

	2017	2016
Net result	4,91	10.44
Dividend	1.85	1.85
Equity (before proposed appropriation of result)	39.74	47.27
Stock price per period end	94.20	94.75

#### **Related parties information**

Supervisory Board

The remuneration of the supervisory board members is determined at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. In 2017 the remuneration of the supervisory board members amounted to SRD 204,000.

#### Management

The remuneration of the management board is determined by the Supervisory Board. The remuneration consists out of a fixed salary and a bonus which is based upon the result of the company.

#### Related parties

Transactions with subsdiaries and participations and their management and supervisory board were performed at arm's length.

#### Proposal for profit appropriation

In accordance with article 10 of the By-laws of Assuria N.V. the profit after taxation is at the disposal of the General Meeting of Shareholders.

It is proposed to allocate SRD 19,680,922 out of the net profit of SRD 30,449,719 to the retained earnings.

Furthermore we propose to pay a dividend of SRD 10,768,797 being SRD 1.85 per share with par value of SRD 0.10. Since an interim dividend of SRD 2,095,550 being SRD 0.36 per share has already been paid, the final dividend amounts to SRD 8,673,247 being SRD 1.49 per share.

#### Employees

The number of employees based upon gender were as follows as per the end of 2017:

Based on geographic area	Suriname	Trinidad & Tobago	Guyana	2017	2016
Females	169	86	27	282	271
Males	89	30	12	131	127
Total	258	116	39	413	398

### **Other information**

### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To: The Shareholders of Assuria N.V.

### A. Report on the audit of the financial statements 2017 included in the annual report

#### **Our opinion**

We have audited the financial statements 2017 as included on pages 39 to 74 of the annual report of Assuria N.V., based in Paramaribo.

In our opinion the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of Assuria N.V. as at December 31, 2017, and of its result and its cash flows for 2017 in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

The financial statements comprise:

- 1. the consolidated and company balance sheet as at December 31, 2017;
- 2 the following statements for the year 2017: the consolidated and company profit and loss account and the consolidated cash flows for 2017; and
- 3. the notes comprising a summary of the accounting policies and other explanatory information.

#### **Basis for our opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on auditing issued by the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report.

We are independent of Assuria N.V. as required by the independence rule relevant to this audit. We believe the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### B. Report on the other information included in the annual report

In addition to the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon, the annual report contains other information that consists of the 'Report of the General Management'.

Based on the following procedures performed, we conclude that the other information is consistent with the financial statements and does not contain material misstatements.

We have read the other information. Based on our knowledge and understanding obtained through our audit of the financial statements or otherwise, we have considered whether the other information contains material misstatements. The scope of the procedures performed is substantially less than the scope of those performed in our audit of the financial statements.

### C. Description of responsibilities regarding the financial statements

### Responsibilities of management for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Furthermore, management is responsible for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

As part of the preparation of the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern. Based on the financial reporting framework mentioned, management should prepare the financial statements using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

### **Other information**

Management should disclose events and circumstances that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern in the financial statements.

**Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements** Our objective is to plan and perform the audit engagement in a manner that allows us to obtain sufficient and appropriate audit evidence for our opinion.

Our audit has been performed with a high, but not absolute, level of assurance, which means we may not detect all material errors and fraud during our audit. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. The materiality affects the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures and the evaluation of the effect of identified misstatements on our opinion.

We have exercised professional judgement and have maintained professional skepticism throughout the audit, in accordance with standards on auditing issued by our professional organization, ethical requirements and independence requirements. Our audit included e.g.:

- Identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, designing and performing audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtaining audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control;
- Obtaining an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 company's internal control;
- Evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management;
- Concluding on the appropriateness of management's

use of the going concern basis of accounting, and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause a company to cease to continue as a going concern;

- Evaluating the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures; and
- Evaluating whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

Because we are ultimately responsible for the opinion, we are also responsible for directing, supervising and performing the group audit. In this respect, we have determined the nature and extent of the audit procedures to be carried out for group entities. Decisive were the size and/ or the risk profile of the group entities or operations. On this basis, we selected group entities for which an audit or review had to be carried out on the complete set of financial information or specific items.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant findings in internal control that we identify during our audit.

#### Notes to the Reader of Independent Auditor's Report:

The Independent Auditor's Report herein is the English translation of the Dutch Independent Auditor's Report issued on June 8, 2018.

Paramaribo, June 8, 2018

### For BDO Assurance N.V.

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## Appendix 1

### Key figures Suriname Stock Exchange

Data per fund in 2017

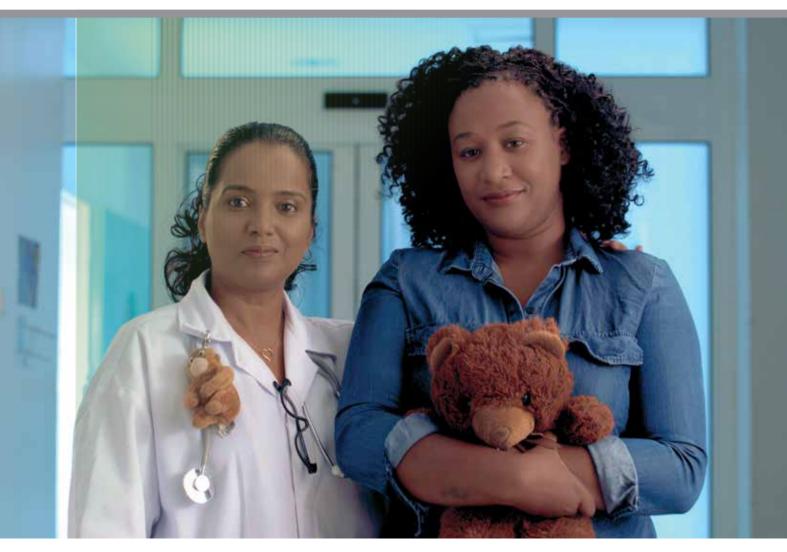
Fund	Par value certificate	Turnover by number of shares	Turnover effective	Closing price a 2017	t the end of 2016
	in SRD		in SRD	in SRD	in SRD
Assuria N.V.	0.10	640	60,470	94.20	94.75
C.I.C. N.V.	0.10	-	-	11.00	11.00
DSB N.V.	0.10	499	24,725	47.75	52.00
Elgawa N.V.	10.00	-	-	151.50	151.50
Hakrinbank N.V.	0.15	63	25,699	408.00	408.00
Self Reliance N.V.	0.01	55	3,413	62.40	65.50
Surinaamse Brouwerij N.V.	5.00	-	-	2,700.00	2,700.00
Torarica N.V.	0.10	230	18,400	80.00	80.00
Varossieau Suriname N.V.	0.10	2,900	118,500	41.50	38.00
VSH Foods	0.10	-	-	17.00	17.00
VSH United	0.01	-	-	72.00	72.00
Total officially quoted (in SRD)		4,387	251,207		
Bond Staatsolie (in USD)	\$100.00	1,434	144,400	\$102.00	\$100.00
Total officially quoted		5,821			

Stock	exchange	index
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8,431
9,582
8,952
9,661
9,531

# **Theme:** Your greatest love ... your most valuable asset

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