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(Mark One)
REGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 OR
x ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 OR
TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from to
SHELL COMPANY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Date of event requiring this shell company report
Commission file number: 001 - 32535
BANCOLOMBIA S.A.
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)
N/A
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

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Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act.
Title of each Class  American Depositary Shares  New York Stock Exchange  Preferred Shares  New York Stock Exchange*
*Bancolombia's preferred shares are not listed for trading directly, but only in connection with its American Depositary Shares, which are evidenced by American Depositary Receipts, each representing four preferred shares.
Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act.
Not applicable (Title of Class)
Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act.
Not applicable (Title of Class)
Indicate the number of outstanding shares of each of the issuer's classes of capital or common stock as of the close of the

period covered by the annual report.

Common Shares **509,704,584** Preferred Shares **452,122,416** 

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes x No "

If this report is an annual or transition report, indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to

Section 13 of 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes "No x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports),

and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes "No x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or an emerging growth company. See definition of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer "Non-accelerated filer "Emerging growth company"

If an emerging growth company that prepares its financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards † provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

† The term "new or revised financial accounting standard" refers to any update issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board to its Accounting Standards Codification after April 5, 2012.

Indicate by check mark which basis of accounting the registrant has used to prepare the financial statements included in this filing:

U.S. GAAP "International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board x

Other "

If "Other" has been checked in response to the previous question indicate by check mark which financial statement item the registrant has elected to follow.

Item 17 " Item 18 "

If this is an annual report, indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes "No x

(APPLICABLE ONLY TO ISSUERS INVOLVED IN BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS.)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Section 12, 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court.

Yes "No x

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### **CERTAIN DEFINED TERMS**

Unless otherwise specified or if the context so requires, in this annual report:	
References to "ADSs" refer to our American Depositary Shares (one ADS represents four preferred shares).	
References to the "Annual Report" refer to this annual report on Form 20-F.	

References to "ATM" refer to automatic teller machine.

References to "BAM" refer to Banco Agromercantil de Guatemala S.A., a banking institution organized under the laws of the Republic of Guatemala, including its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires.

References to "Banagrícola" refer to Banagrícola S.A., a company incorporated in Panama, including its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires.

References to "Banca de Inversión" refer to Banca de Inversión Bancolombia S.A. Corporación Financiera, a Subsidiary of Bancolombia S.A. organized under the laws of the Republic of Colombia that specializes in providing investment banking services.

References to "Banco Agrícola" refer to Banco Agrícola S.A., a banking institution organized under the laws of the Republic of El Salvador, including its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires.

References to "Bancolombia", the "Bank", "us", "we" or "our" refer to Bancolombia S.A., a banking institution organized und the laws of the Republic of Colombia, including its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires.

References to "Bancolombia Panama" refer to Bancolombia Panamá S.A., a subsidiary of Bancolombia S.A. organized under the laws of the Republic of Panama that provides banking services to non-Panamanian customers.

References to "Banistmo" refer to Banistmo S.A., a banking institution organized under the laws of the Republic of Panama, including its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires.

References to "Central Bank" refer to the Central Bank of Colombia (Banco de la República).

References to "Colombia" refer to the Republic of Colombia.

References to "Colombian banking GAAP" refer to generally accepted accounting principles in Colombia as regulated by Law 1314 of 2009, Decree 1851 of 2013 and as supplemented by the applicable regulations of the SFC, which differs with IFRS in (i) the recognition of impairment for loans; (ii) the classification and subsequent measurement of debt and equity investments, and (iii) the impairment of foreclosed assets.

References to "Congress" refer to the national congress of Colombia.

References to "Consolidated Financial Statements" refer to the audited consolidated statements of financial position of the Bank as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 and the audited consolidated statements of income, of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 and related notes included in this Annual Report.

References to "DTF" refer to the *Depósitos a Término Fijo* rate, the weighted average interest rate paid by finance corporations, commercial banks and financing companies in Colombia for time deposits with maturities of 90 days.

References to "Fiduciaria Bancolombia" refer to Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria, a Subsidiary of Bancolombia organized under the laws of Colombia which provides trust and fund management services.

References to "Grupo Agromercantil" refer to Grupo Agromercantil Holding S.A., a company organized under the laws of the Republic of Panama and the parent company of BAM, and its consolidated subsidiaries, unless the context otherwise requires.

References to "IFRS" refer to the International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

References to "IRS" refer to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

References to "Leasing Bancolombia" refer to Leasing Bancolombia S.A. Compañía de Financiamiento, a Subsidiary of Bancolombia S.A. organized under the laws of Colombia that on September 30, 2016, merged into Bancolombia S.A.

References to "NYSE" refer to the New York Stock Exchange.

References to "OCI" refers to Other Comprehensive Income.

References to "peso", "pesos" or "COP" refer to the lawful currency of Colombia.

References to "preferred shares" and "common shares" refer to our issued outstanding and fully paid-in preferred and common shares, designated as *acciones con dividendo preferencial sin derecho a voto* and *acciones ordinarias*, respectively.

References to "Renting Colombia" refer to Renting Colombia S.A., a Subsidiary of Bancolombia S.A. organized under the laws of Colombia, which provides operating lease and fleet management services for individuals and companies.

References to "Representative Market Rate" refer to *Tasa Representativa del Mercado*, the U.S. dollar representative market rate, certified by the SFC. The Representative Market Rate is an economic indicator of the daily exchange rate on the Colombian market spot of currencies. It corresponds to the arithmetical weighted average of the rates for the purchase and sale of currencies by certain financial institutions (including Bancolombia) authorized to engage in foreign exchange transactions in Colombia.

References to "SEC" refer to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

References to "SMEs" refer to Small and Medium Enterprises.

References to "SMMLV" refer to *Salario Mínimo Mensual Legal Vigente*, the effective legal minimum monthly salary in Colombia. In 2017, the SMMLV in Colombia was COP 737,717.

References to "Subsidiaries" refer to entities in which Bancolombia S.A. holds, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of the outstanding voting shares.

References to "Superintendency of Finance" or "SFC" refer to the Colombian Superintendency of Finance (Superintendencia Financiera de Colombia), a technical entity under the Ministry of Finance and Public Credit (Ministerio de Hacienda y Crédito Público) with functions of inspection, supervision and control over the entities involved in financial activities, capital markets, insurance and any other services related to the management, use or investment of resources collected from the public.

References to "Superintendency of Industry and Commerce" or "SIC" refer to the Colombian Superintendency of Industry and Commerce (*Superintendencia de Industria y Comercio de Colombia*), a technical entity under the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Turism (*Ministerio de Comercio, Industria y Turismo*) with functions of supervision and regulation of the competition in several industries, including financial institutions.

References to "U.S." or "United States" refer to the United States of America.

References to "U.S. dollar", "USD", and "US\$" refer to the lawful currency of the United States.

References to "UVR" refer to *Unidades de Valor Real*, a Colombian inflation-adjusted monetary index calculated by the board of directors of the Central Bank and generally used for pricing home-mortgage loans.

References to "Valores Bancolombia" refer to Valores Bancolombia S.A. Comisionista de Bolsa, a Subsidiary of Bancolombia S.A. organized under the laws of the Republic of Colombia that provides brokerage and asset management services.

The term "billion" means one thousand millions (1,000,000,000).

The term "trillion" means one million millions (1,000,000,000,000).

Our fiscal year ends on December 31, and references in this annual report to any specific fiscal year are to the 12-month period ended December 31 of such year.

### CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Annual Report contains statements which may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are not based on historical facts but instead represent only the Bank's belief regarding future events, many of which, by their nature, are inherently uncertain and outside the Bank's control. The words "anticipate", "believe", "estimate", "expect", "intend", "plan", "predict", "target", "forecast", "guideline", "should", "project" and similar words and expressions are intended identify forward-looking statements. It is possible that the Bank's actual results may differ, possibly materially, from the anticipated results indicated in or implied by these forward-looking statements.

Information regarding important factors that could cause actual results to differ, perhaps materially, from those in the Bank's forward-looking statements appear in a number of places in this Annual Report, principally in Item 3. "Key Information – D. Risk Factors" and Item 5. "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects". These factors include, but are not limited to: (i) changes in general economic, business, political, social, fiscal or other conditions in Colombia, or in any of the other countries where the Bank operates; (ii) changes in capital markets or in markets in general that may affect policies or attitudes towards lending; (iii) unanticipated increases in financing and other costs or the inability to obtain additional debt or equity financing on attractive terms; (iv) inflation, changes in foreign exchange rates and/or interest rates; (v) sovereign risks; (vi) liquidity risks; (vii) increases in delinquencies by the Bank's borrowers; (viii) lack of acceptance of new products or services by the Bank's targeted customers; (ix) competition in the banking, financial services, credit card services, insurance, asset management, remittances, business and other industries in which the Bank operates; (x) adverse determination of legal or regulatory disputes or proceedings; and (xi) changes in official regulations and the Colombian government's banking policy as well as changes in laws, regulations or policies in other jurisdictions in which the Bank does business.

Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made and are subject to change, and the Bank does not intend, and does not assume any obligation, to update these forward-looking statements in light of new information or future events arising after the date of this Annual Report.

### PRESENTATION OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL AND OTHER INFORMATION

### **Accounting Principles**

The audited consolidated statements of financial position of the Bank as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 and the audited consolidated statements of income, of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 and related notes (the "Consolidated Financial Statements") included in this Annual Report were prepared in accordance with IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and the related interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC"). All data included in this report has been prepared in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB, except for the data included in Item 4. B.7 Competition, which has been prepared in accordance with the local GAAP of each subsidiary.

The Consolidated Financial Statements include entities which the Bank controls, directly or indirectly. See Item 4. "Information on the Company – C. Organizational Structure" for an organizational chart depicting Bancolombia and its subsidiaries.

### **Currencies**

The Consolidated Financial Statements are presented in Colombian pesos, which is the functional currency for Bancolombia S.A., and the presentation currency for the Consolidated Financial Statements. The Consolidated Financial Statements as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 and for the three fiscal years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 contained in this Annual Report are expressed in millions of pesos.

This Annual Report translates certain pesos amounts into U.S. dollars at specified rates solely for the convenience of the reader. Unless otherwise indicated, such peso amounts have been translated at the rate of COP 2,984.00 per USD 1.00, which corresponds to the Representative Market Rate calculated on December 31, 2017. The SFC also calculates and certifies the average Representative Market Rate for each month for purposes of preparing financial statements and converting amounts in foreign currency to pesos. Such conversion should not be construed as a representation that the peso amounts correspond to, or have been or could be converted into, U.S. dollars at that rate or any other rate. On April 27, 2018, the Representative Market Rate was COP 2,812.83 per USD 1.00.

### **Rounding Comparability of Data**

Certain monetary amounts, percentages and other figures included in this Annual Report have been subject to rounding adjustments. Accordingly, figures shown as totals in certain tables may not be the arithmetic aggregation of the figures that precede them, and figures expressed as percentages in the text may not total 100% or, as applicable, when aggregated may not be the arithmetic aggregation of the percentages that precede them.

The Bank maintains an internet site at http://www.grupobancolombia.com/. In addition, certain of the Bank's Subsidiaries referred to in this Annual Report maintain separate internet sites. For example, Banco Agrícola and Banistmo maintain internet sites at http://www.bancoagricola.com/ and http://www.banistmo.com/, respectively. Information included on or accessible through Bancolombia's internet site or the internet site of any of the Subsidiaries of the Bank is not part of this Annual Report. All references in this Annual Report to these and other internet sites are inactive textual references to these URLs, or "uniform resource locators", and are for your informational reference only.

PART I
ITEM 1. IDENTITY OF DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND ADVISERS
Not applicable.
ITEM 2. OFFER STATISTICS AND EXPECTED TIMETABLE
Not applicable.
ITEM 3. KEY INFORMATION
A.SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA
The selected consolidated statement of financial position data as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the selected consolidated statement of income data for each of the periods ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, set forth below have been derived from the Consolidated Financial Statements under IFRS as issued by the IASB included in this Annual Report, except for the figures translated to U.S. dollars, which are presented for the convenience of the reader.
The selected consolidated statement of financial position data as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 have been derived from audited consolidated financial statements previously filed with the SEC as part of the Bank's Annual Report on Form 20-F for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015.
The selected consolidated financial data should be read in conjunction with, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Consolidated Financial Statements, including the notes thereto, and the audit reports of the Bank's independent registered public accounting firms.
The Consolidated Financial Statements of the Bank as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 were audited by Deloitte and Touche Ltda, while the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Bank as of and for the years endedDecember 31, 2015 and 2014 were audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers Ltda.

CONSOLIDATED	2017 (1)	e year ended Decer 2017 OP and thousands	2016	2015 or share and per AI	2014 OS amounts
STATEMENT OF INCOME DATA: Total interest and valuation US	SD5,591,715 COF	P 16,685,677 COF	9 15,748,805 COF	P 11,269,644 COF	9,172,163
Interest expenses Net interest margin and valuation income on	(2,088,802)	(6,232,986)	(6,053,100)	(4,037,941)	(3,164,611)
financial instruments before impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet	3,502,913	10,452,691	9,695,705	7,231,703	6,007,552
credit instruments  Credit impairment charges on loans and advances and financial leases, net Credit impairment	(1,162,433)	(3,468,699)	(2,643,710)	(1,667,680)	(843,597)
recoveries (charges) on off balance sheet credit instruments	2,297	6,854	(87,442)	(7,421)	(25,608)
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments after impairment on loans and financial leases and off	2,342,777	6,990,846	6,964,553	5,556,602	5,138,347
balance sheet credit instruments					
Total other operating income (2)	1,417,349	4,229,370	3,982,779	3,577,320	3,084,942
Total operating expenses  Profit before tax  Income tax	(2,422,066) <b>1,338,060</b> (415,080)	(7,227,445) <b>3,992,771</b> (1,238,598)	(6,979,050) <b>3,968,282</b> (1,176,832)	(5,898,287) <b>3,235,635</b> (649,250)	(5,118,695) <b>3,104,594</b> (737,676)
Profit for the year from					
continuing operations	922,980	2,754,173	2,791,450	2,586,385	2,366,918
Net income from			163,497	22,513	62,867
discontinued operations	-				•
Net income	922,980	2,754,173	2,954,947	2,608,898	2,429,785
Net income attributable to equity holders of the US	5D876,340 COI	P2,615,000 COI	P2,865,328 COI	P2,518,890 COI	22,387,086
parent company	0/0,5 <del>1</del> 0 CO	. 2,013,000 COI	. 2,003,320 COI	2,510,070 COI	<i>∠,</i> 307,000
Non-controlling interest Weighted average of	46,640	139,173	89,619	90,008	42,699
Preferred and Common Shares outstanding (3)		961,827,000	961,827,000	961,827,000	941,936,589
	0.93	2,780	3,040	2,680	2,591

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Basic and diluted earnings					
per share to common shareholders <sup>(3)</sup>					
From continuing operations	0.93	2,780	2,870	2,656	2,524
From discontinued operations	-	-	170	24	67
Basic and diluted earnings					
per	3.73	11,120	12,160	10,720	10,364
$ADS^{(3)}$					
From continuing operations	3.73	11,120	11,480	10,624	10,096
From discontinued operations	-	-	680	96	268
Cash dividends declared per share	-	1,020	950	888	830
Cash dividends declared per share (stated in USD)	-	0.34	0.32	0.28	0.26
Cash dividends declared per ADS	-	4,080	3,800	3,552	3,320
Cash dividends declared per ADS (stated in USD)	-	1.37	1.27	1.13	1.05

<sup>(1)</sup> Translated for convenience only using the representative market rate as computed and certified by the Superintendency of Finance of COP 2,984.00 per U.S. 1.00 on December 31, 2017.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes total fees and commissions, net other operating income and dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees. See consolidated statement of income to the consolidated financial statements. As of December 31, 2017, the Bank recognized the amount of COP 173,339 due to impairment charges on joint venture, for further information see Note 7.

<sup>(3)</sup> The weighted average of preferred and common shares outstanding for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 reflects 452,122,416 preferred shares and 509,704,584 common shares, and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014 reflects 432,232,005 preferred shares and 509,704,584 common shares.

As of December 31,	
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 $2017^{(1)}$  2017 2016 2015 2014

In millions of COP and thousands of USD, except per share and ADS amounts

## SELECTED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DATA:

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Assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	USD6,087,682 CO	P 18,165,644 C	OP 20,460,245 CC	OP 18,597,614 CC	OP 13,466,783	
Financial assets	5,488,356	16,377,253	13,060,653	14,277,824	12,784,223	
investments	2,100,000	10,077,200	10,000,000	1,277,02	12,7 0 1,220	
Derivative financial	380,151	1,134,372	1,677,970	2,382,168	1,448,845	
instruments		-,,	-, - , - , - , -	_,,	, -,	
Loans and advances to	50.776.171	160 460 004	151 747 406	145 (20 (20	115 172 652	
customers and financial	53,776,171	160,468,094	151,747,486	145,620,639	115,173,653	
Institutions						
Allowance for loans and advances and lease losses	(2,755,732)	(8,223,103)	(6,621,911)	(5,248,755)	(4,789,257)	
Assets held for sale and						
inventories	126,341	377,003	273,187	1,950,808	97,744	
Investment in associates and	1					
joint ventures	524,484	1,565,059	1,298,246	546,549	1,349,697	
Investment property	555,432	1,657,409	1,581,689	1,505,046	1,114,180	
Premises and equipment,	1,048,058	3,127,405	3,115,697	3,052,266	2,646,321	
net <sup>(2)</sup>	1,040,030	5,127,405	5,115,097	3,032,200	2,040,321	
Goodwill and intangible	2,222,327	6,631,424	6,694,037	7,092,255	4,585,849	
assets, net						
Deferred tax, net	49,804	148,614	222,862	170,482	187,737	
Other assets	830,776	2,479,037	2,750,883	3,025,971	1,564,106	
Total assets	USD 68,333,850 CO	P203,908,211 C	OP 196,261,044 CC	)P192,972,867 C(	)P149,629,881	
Liabilities and						
stockholders' equity:						
Liabilities and equity						
Deposits by customers	44,222,257	131,959,215	124,624,011	121,802,028	94,769,319	
Borrowings from other	4,632,088	13,822,152	18,905,843	19,721,184	13,852,284	
financial institutions						
Debt securities in issue	6,584,689	19,648,714	18,704,809	19,435,865	14,527,403	
Other liabilities (3)	4,707,969	14,048,580	11,549,401	11,605,871	9,114,395	
Total equity	8,186,847	24,429,550	22,476,980	20,407,919	17,366,480	

Total liabilities and equity USD 68,333,850 COP 203,908,211 COP 196,261,044 COP 192,972,867 COP 149,629,881

- (1) Translated for convenience only using the representative market rate as computed and certified by the Superintendency of Finance of COP 2,984.00 per U.S. 1.00 on December 31, 2017.
- (2) The Bank previously classified land and buildings that were acquired through foreclosure of loans with net carrying amount of 189,296 as of December 31, 2015 in premises and equipment. As of December 31, 2016, and 2015, such assets were reclassified to other assets as they are intended for immediate sale or disposition.
- (3) Includes interbank deposits, repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing, liabilities relating to assets held for sale, derivative financial instruments, preferred shares, current tax, deferred tax, net, employees benefit plans and other liabilities See consolidated statement of financial position to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

See "Item 8. Financial Information – A. Consolidated Statements and Other Financial Information –A.3. Dividend Policy", for information about the dividends declared per share in both pesos and U.S. dollars during the fiscal years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014.

### **SELECTED RATIOS**

	As of and for the year ended December 31,					
	2017	2016	2015	2014		
	Percenta	ages, exce	pt for ope	erating		
	data					
SELECTED RATIOS: (1)						
Profitability ratios:						
Net interest and valuation margin from continuing operations (2)	6.07	5.96	5.25	5.30		
Return on average total assets from continuing operations (3)	1.30	1.49	1.53	1.72		
Return on average stockholders' equity attributable to the owners of the pare company (4)	<i>nt</i> 11.99	14.52	13.62	14.81		
Efficiency ratio:						
Operating expenses to net operating income from continuing operations	49.23	51.02	54.57	56.30		
Operating expenses to average total assets from continuing operations	3.60	3.64	3.62	3.80		
Operating expenses to productive assets from continuing operations	4.20	4.29	4.28	4.51		
Capital ratios:						
Technical capital to risk weighted assets (5)(6)	14.18	13.26	12.46	N/A		
Credit quality data:						
Past due loans to loans principal (9)	4.49	3.31	2.98	2.62		
"C", "D" and "E" loans as a percentage of loans principal	6.34	5.07	3.95	3.81		
Allowances for loan and lease losses to past due loans principal	107.52	125.90	115.16	145.55		
Allowance for loan and lease losses as a percentage of "C", "D" and "E" lo principal	<i>ans</i> 76.12	82.08	87.00	100.09		
Allowance for loan and lease losses as a percentage of total loans principal	4.83	4.17	3.43	3.81		
Operational data (in units):						
Number of branches (7)	1,153	1,247	1,274	1,067		
Number of employees (8)	31,061	31,598	34,390	30,158		

Average balances used to calculate the ratios shown above have been calculated as follows: for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, for each month, the actual month-end balances were established. The average consolidated balance for such periods is the average of such month-end balances. These averages are calculated using 13 data points. The Bank has calculated the average balances using quarterly book balances for the year ended December 31, 2014 as we believe such balances are representative of our operations and it would be too costly to produce average balances using monthly balances under IFRS.

- 2. Net interest and valuation income divided by average interest-earning assets.
  - 3. Net income divided by average total assets.

Net income divided by average stockholders' equity attributable to the owners of the parent company.
 For an explanation of risk-weighted assets and Technical Capital, see Item 4. "Information on the Company – B.
 Business Overview – B.8 –Supervision and Regulation" and Item 5 "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects - B. Liquidity and Capital Resources – B.1. Liquidity and Funding - Capital Adequacy".

The Bank's consolidated capital adequacy was computed considering balance accounts under IFRS as of December 6.31, 2017, 2016 and 2015. For 2014 the balance accounts were under Colombian Banking GAAP, as a result the figure is not comparative.

- Number of branches includes branches of the Bank's Subsidiaries. For some subsidiaries, the central office is considered a branch. Representative offices are included.
- The number of employees includes employees of the Bank's consolidated Subsidiaries. For the years 2015 and 2014
- 8. Tuya S.A had 3,020 and 2,639 employees, respectively. For the years 2016 and 2017, Tuya S.A. is classified as an investment in a joint venture in the Bank's consolidated financial statements.
  - 9. Loans that are past due more than 30 days to loans principal.

### **Exchange Rates**

On March 31, 2018, the Representative Market Rate was COP 2,780.47 per USD 1.00. The Federal Reserve Bank of New York does not report a rate for pesos; the SFC calculates the Representative Market Rate based on the weighted average of the buy/sell foreign exchange rates quoted daily by certain financial institutions, including Bancolombia, for the purchase and sale of U.S. dollars.

The following table sets forth the low and high peso per U.S. dollar exchange rates and the peso/U.S. dollar representative market rate on the last day of the month, for each of the last six months:

# Recent exchange rates of pesos per U.S. dollars

Month	Low	High	Period-End
March 2018	2,780.47	2,879.15	52,780.47
February 2018	2,806.67	2,908.70	2,867.94
January 2018			
December 2017	2,962.14	3,029.75	52,984.00
November 2017	2,976.39	3,055.57	3,006.04
October 2017	2,921.92	3,039.19	3,039.19

Source: SFC.

The following table sets forth the peso/U.S. dollar representative market rate on the last day of the year and the average peso/U.S. dollar representative market rate (calculated by using the average of the Representative Market Rates on the last day of each month during the year) for each of the five most recent financial years.

# Representative Market RatePeriod-End AveragePeso/USD 1.002017 2,984.00 2,963.132016 3,000.71 3,039.232015 3,149.47 2,773.432014 2,392.46 2,019.382013 1,926.83 1,881.04

Source: SFC.
B. CAPITALIZATION AND INDEBTEDNESS
Not applicable.
C.REASONS FOR THE OFFER AND USE OF PROCEEDS
Not applicable.
D.RISK FACTORS
Investors should consider the following risks and uncertainties, and the other factors presented in this Annual Report. In addition, the information referred to below, as well as all other information presented in this Annual Report, should be considered by investors when reviewing any forward-looking statements contained in this Annual Report, in any document incorporated by reference in this Annual Report, in any of the Bank's future public filings or press releases, or in any future oral statements made by the Bank or any of its officers or other persons acting on its behalf. If any of the following risks occur, the Bank's business, results of operations and financial condition, its ability to raise capital and its ability to access funding could be materially and adversely affected. These risk factors should not be considered a complete list of potential risks that may affect Bancolombia.

Risk Factors Relating to Colombia and Other Countries Where the Bank Operates.

Changes in economic and political conditions in Colombia, Panama, El Salvador and Guatemala or in other countries where the Bank operates may adversely affect the Bank's financial condition and results of operations.

The Bank's financial condition, results of operations and asset quality are significantly dependent on the macroeconomic and political conditions prevailing in Colombia, Panama, El Salvador, Guatemala and the other jurisdictions where the Bank operates. Accordingly, decreases in the growth rate, periods of negative growth, increases in inflation, changes in policy, or future judicial interpretations of policies involving exchange controls and other matters such as currency depreciation, inflation, interest rates, taxation, banking laws and regulations and other political or economic developments in such jurisdictions may affect the overall business environment and may in turn negatively affect the Bank's financial condition and results of operations.

In particular, the governments of Colombia, Panama, El Salvador and Guatemala have historically exercised substantial influence on their economies, and they are likely to continue to implement policies that will have an important impact on the business and results of operations of the entities in such countries (including the Bank), market conditions and prices and rates of return on securities of local issuers (including the Bank's securities). Potential changes in laws, public policies and regulations may cause instability and volatility in Colombia, Panama, El Salvador and Guatemala, and their respective markets. Future developments in government policies could negatively affect the Bank's business and financial condition and the market value of its securities.

Although Colombia and Panama currently have investment grade credit ratings from international rating agencies, El Salvador and Guatemala do not. As of the date of this Annual Report, El Salvador has a long-term debt rating of Caal (stable) from Moody's, and CCC+ (stable) by S&P. Guatemala has ratings of BB (stable) and BB- (stable) from Fitchs and S&P, respectively. Further downgrades in the ratings of either country, or the failure of Colombia or Panama to maintain investment grade credit ratings, could increase the Bank's funding costs and adversely affect our results of operation and financial condition.

The economies of the countries in which the Bank operates are vulnerable to external effects that could be caused by significant economic difficulties experienced by their major regional trading partners or by more general contagion effects, which could have a material adverse effect on economic growth in these countries and their ability to service their public debt.

A significant decline in economic growth or a sustained economic downturn of any of Colombia's, Panama's, El Salvador's or Guatemala's major trading partners (i.e., the European Union, the United States, China and other Latin

American countries for Colombia and the United States and European Union for Panama, Guatemala and El Salvador) could have a material adverse impact on Colombia's, Panama's, El Salvador's and Guatemala's balance of trade and remittances inflows, resulting in lower economic growth.

Deterioration in the economic and political situation in neighboring countries could adversely affect the economy and cause instability in Colombia, Panama, El Salvador and Guatemala by disrupting their diplomatic or commercial relationships with neighboring countries. Any future tensions may cause political and economic uncertainty, instability, market volatility, low confidence levels and higher risk aversion by investors and market participants that may negatively affect economic activity in any of those jurisdictions.

Events occurring in a market where we do not operate may cause international investors to have an increased risk perception of an entire region or class of investment, which could in turn negatively affect market prices and liquidity of securities issued or owned by the Bank.

Any additional taxes resulting from changes to tax regulations or the interpretation thereof in Colombia, Panama, El Salvador, Guatemala or other countries in which the Bank operates, could adversely affect the Bank's consolidated results.

Uncertainty relating to tax legislation poses a constant risk to the Bank. Changes in legislation, regulation and jurisprudence can affect tax burdens by increasing tax rates and fees, creating new taxes, limiting deductions and exemptions, and eliminating incentives and non-taxed income. Notably, the Salvadorian government has significant fiscal deficits that may result in future tax increases. Higher taxes could negatively affect the Bank's results of operations and cash flow. In addition, national or local taxing authorities may not interpret tax regulations in the same way that the Bank does. Differing interpretations could result in future tax litigation and associated costs.

Exchange rate fluctuations may adversely affect the Colombian economy, the market price of the Bank's ADSs, and the dividends payable to holders of the Bank's ADSs.

Colombia has adopted a floating exchange rate system. The Central Bank maintains the power to intervene in the exchange market in order to consolidate or dispose of international reserves, and to control any volatility in the exchange rate. From time to time, including during 2017, there have been significant fluctuations in the exchange rate between the Colombian peso and the U.S. dollar. Unforeseen events in the international markets, fluctuations in interest rates, volatility of the oil price in the international markets, or changes in capital flows, may cause exchange rate instability that could generate sharp movements in the value of the peso. Because a portion of the Bank's assets and liabilities are denominated in, or indexed to, foreign currencies, especially the U.S. dollar, sharp movements in exchange rates may negatively impact the Bank's results. In addition, exchange rate fluctuations may adversely impact the value of dividends paid to holders of the Bank's ADSs as well as the market price and liquidity of ADSs.

Colombia has experienced several periods of violence and instability that could affect the economy and the Bank.

Colombia has experienced periods of criminal violence over the past four decades, primarily due to the activities of guerilla groups and drug cartels. In response, the Colombian government has negotiated a peace treaty with the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (*Fuerzas Armadas Revolucionarias de Colombia* or "FARC"). Additionally, the Colombian government is currently in the process of negotiating a peace treaty with the National Liberation Army (*Ejercito de Liberación Nacional* or "ELN"). Despite these efforts, the peace treaty with the FARC or the peace negotiations with the ELN may not lead to a lasting decrease in violence or drug-related crime in Colombia or the successful integration of former guerilla members into Colombian society. An escalation of violence or drug-related crime may have a negative impact on the Colombian economy and on the Bank.

Risk Factors relating to the Bank's Business and the Banking Industry

Our financial results may be negatively affected by changes to accounting standards.

We report our results and financial position in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB. Changes to IFRS or interpretations thereof may cause our future reported results and financial position to differ from current expectations, or historical results to differ from those previously reported due to the adoption of accounting standards on a retrospective basis. Such changes may also affect our regulatory capital and ratios. We monitor potential accounting changes and when possible, we determine their potential impact and disclose significant future changes in our financial statements that we expect as a result of those changes. Currently, there are a number of issued but not yet effective IFRS changes, as well as potential IFRS changes, some of which could be expected to impact our reported results, financial position and regulatory capital in the future. In particular, since January 2018, IFRS 9 requires us to record credit losses on a loan at inception on an expected loss basis instead of recording credit losses on an incurred loss basis, which is likely to result in an increase in the Bank's provisions for such losses. For further information about developments in financial accounting and reporting standards, see Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, "Significant Accounting Policies".

Our financial results may be negatively affected by changes to assumptions supporting the value of our goodwill.

We test the goodwill that we have recognized on the respective balance sheets of our operating segments for impairment at least annually. Our impairment test in respect of the assets recognized as of December 31, 2017 indicated that our respective goodwill balances are not impaired. The impairment test requires that we make assumptions regarding estimated earnings, discount rates and long-term growth rates impacting the recoverable amount of the goodwill associated with each operating segment and on estimates of the carrying amounts of the operating segments to which the goodwill relates. If the actual results in future periods deviate from the earnings and other assumptions on which our impairment testing is based, the value of the goodwill in any one or more of our businesses may become impaired in the future, resulting in charges to income.

Material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting could adversely affect our ability to report our financial condition accurately and on a timely basis.

In connection with our assessment as of December 31, 2017 of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we identified a material weakness relating to the estimation of impairment for individually significant impaired commercial loans. Specifically, the review controls over the key judgments and information used in measuring impairment were not

designed effectively and did not operate effectively.

We have initiated certain measures, including implementing controls to assure the completeness of the inputs and accuracy of the assumptions used to estimate loan losses from individually significant impaired commercial loans and completeness of the impaired commercial loans; defining procedures required to ensure sufficient detailed documentation to support the assumptions made for the estimation; providing additional training of Sarbanes-Oxley Act requirements to key personal in charge of loan losses estimation process; increasing the monitoring of activities during the year of the controls related to this process.

For a discussion of our internal control over financial reporting and a description of the material weakness identified in our internal controls and planned remediation measures, see Item 15. "Controls and Procedures".

Although we have initiated the above mentioned remedial steps to address this material weakness in our internal controls, and based on the additional analysis and other procedures performed, we believe the consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 20-F are fairly presented in all material respects, in conformity with IFRS, if we are unable to remediate the material weakness, our ability to report our financial condition accurately and on a timely basis could be adversely affected. This in turn could negatively affect shareholder and customer confidence towards our financial reporting and other aspects of our business.

Changes in banking laws and regulations in Colombia and in other jurisdictions in which the Bank operates could adversely affect the Bank's consolidated results.

Banking laws and regulations, or in their official interpretation, in Colombia and in other jurisdictions in which the Bank operates, have a material effect on the Bank's business and operations. Banking laws and regulations may change frequently, and changes may be adopted, enforced or interpreted in a manner that may have an adverse effect on the Bank's business.

Moreover, regulators in the jurisdictions in which Bancolombia operates may alter the current regulatory capital requirements to which Bancolombia is subject and thereby require equity increases that could dilute existing stockholders, lead to required asset sales or adversely impact the return on stockholders' equity and/or the market price of the Bank's common and preferred shares.

Furthermore, banking laws and regulations may create new types of financial entities whose services could compete with the segments or services offered by the Bank. Increased competition could lead to lower margins for affected products and services, and could adversely affect the Bank's results of operations.

The Bank is subject to regulatory inspections, examinations, inquiries or audits in Colombia and in other countries in which it operates, and any sanctions, fines and other penalties resulting from such inspections, examinations, inquiries or audits could materially and adversely affect the Bank's business, financial condition, results of operations and reputation.

The Bank is subject to comprehensive regulation and supervision by the banking authorities of Colombia, Panama, El Salvador, Guatemala and the other jurisdictions in which the Bank operates. These Banking authorities have broad powers to adopt regulations and impose other requirements affecting or restricting virtually all aspects of the Bank's capitalization, organization and operations, including the imposition of anti-money laundering measures and the authority to regulate the terms and conditions on which the banks can extend credit. In the event of non-compliance with applicable regulations, the Bank could be subject to fines, sanctions or the revocation of licenses or permits to operate its business. In Colombia, for instance, if the Bank encounters significant financial problems or becomes insolvent or in danger of becoming insolvent, banking authorities would have the power to take over the Bank's management and operations. Any sanctions, fines and other penalties resulting from non-compliance with regulations in Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Panama and other jurisdictions in which the Bank operates could materially and adversely affect the Bank's business, financial condition, results of operations and reputation.

An increase in constitutional public interest actions (acciones populares), class actions (acciones de grupo) and other legal actions involving claims for significant monetary awards against financial institutions may affect the Bank's businesses and results of operations.

Under the Colombian constitution, individuals may initiate constitutional public interest or class actions to protect their collective or class rights, respectively. Colombian financial institutions, including the Bank, have experienced a high number of these actions. The great majority of such actions have been related to fees, financial services and interest rates, and their outcome is uncertain. Pursuant to Law 1425 of 2010, monetary awards for plaintiffs in constitutional actions or class actions were eliminated as of January 1, 2011. Nevertheless, individuals continue to have the right to initiate these actions against the Bank.

## Future restrictions on interest rates or banking fees could negatively affect the Bank's profitability.

In the future, regulations in the jurisdictions where the Bank operates could impose limitations regarding interest rates or fees the Bank may charge. Any such limitations could materially and adversely affect the Bank's results of operations and financial situation.

Additionally, in past years, the Congress and the SFC have considered various regulatory initiatives regarding banking fees. Although no such initiatives have been adopted in the past, there are new initiatives to impose similar restrictions on banking fees. If the Bank is prohibited from continuing to charge for certain services or types of transactions to its clients, or from imposing charges with respect to new services that might be introduced, the Bank's results of operations and financial condition could be adversely affected.

#### Financial Conglomerates

In accordance with Law 1870 of 2017, the Government is expected to set out provisions and regulatory standards applicable to financial conglomerates in the areas of corporate governance principles, risk management, capital adequacy requirements and related party transactions, among others. Pursuant to Law 1870 of 2017 Bancolombia will be subject to such provisions and standards because of the shareholding in Bancolombia by Grupo de Inversiones Suramericana S.A. These provisions and regulatory standards, the details of which have not yet been published, could materially and adversely affect the Bank's business.

### Colombian tax haven regulation could adversely affect the Bank's business and financial results.

Decree 1966 of 2014, as modified by Decree 2095 of 2014, designates 37 jurisdictions as tax havens for Colombian tax purposes although neither Panama nor other countries in which the Bank operates, were included on this list. As a result of the tax haven regulation the Bank's clients who are residents in such jurisdictions would be subject to (i) higher withholding tax rates including a higher withholding rate on interest and dividends derived from investments in the Colombian securities market, (ii) the transfer pricing regime and its reporting duties, (iii) enhanced ability on the part of Colombian authorities to qualify a conduct as abusive under tax regulations, (iv) non-deductibility of payments made to such residents or entities located in tax havens, unless the required tax amount has been withheld and (v) additional information disclosure requirements, any of which could have a negative impact on Bancolombia's business and financial results.

In order to avoid Panama's designation as a tax haven, Colombia and Panama signed a memorandum of understanding which establishes that both countries will negotiate a treaty for the avoidance of double taxation. This treaty is expected to include provisions regarding the exchange of information between Colombian and Panamanian tax authorities. Although Panama adhered to the Covention on Mutual Administrative Assitance in Tax Matters of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development's ("OECD") in 2017, any failure to execute a treaty between Colombia and Panama, or the designation of Panama as a tax haven, could result in a negative impact on the Bank's customer base and, therefore, a potential negative impact on the Bank's results of operations and financial condition. On April 28, 2016, the Colombian Ministry of Finance and Public Credit announced the successful conclusion of the negotiations between Colombia and Panama. The two countries stated their intention to enter into a treaty for the avoidance of double taxation. However, as of the date of this Annual Report, the treaty has not been entered into.

The Bank and most of its Subsidiaries are subject to the U.S. Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act of 2010 and the OECD's Automatic Exchange of Information - Common Reporting Standard (CRS).

Bancolombia and most of its subsidiaries are considered foreign financial institutions ("FFIs") under the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act of 2010 ("FATCA") (see "Item 4. Information on the Company – B. Business Overview – B.8. Supervision and Regulation – International regulations applicable to Bancolombia and its subsidiaries"). Additionally, Bancolombia and some of its subsidiaries are subject to the reporting obligations derived from the conventions that implement the Common Reporting Standard ("CRS") approved by the OECD.

Given the size and the scope of the Bank's international operations, we have taken measures and implemented procedures aimed at complying with FATCA and CRS, including transmitting to the relevant authorities the reports required under FATCA and CRS.

However, if the Bank cannot satisfy the requirements thereunder, certain payments to Bancolombia, or its Subsidiaries, may be subject to withholding under FATCA or other penalties imposed by each government. The possibility of such withholding or penalties and the need for accountholders and investors to provide certain information may discourage some customers or potential customers from banking with us, thereby adversely affecting our results of operations and financial condition. In addition, compliance with the terms of the intergovernmental agreements ("IGA"), particular agreements entered into with the IRS, the international conventions signed for the exchange of information under CRS, the laws or any other regulations enforced in the relevant jurisdictions may increase our compliance costs. Legislation and regulations implementing FATCA and CRS in some of the countries in which the Bank operates remain under development, and the reporting dates vary depending on the jurisdiction.

The Bank is subject to credit risk, and estimating exposure to credit risk involves subjective and complex judgments.

A number of our products expose the Bank to credit risk. These products include loans, financial leases, guarantees and lending commitments.

The Bank estimates and establishes reserves for credit risk and potential credit losses. This process involves subjective and complex judgments, including projections of economic conditions and assumptions about the ability of our borrowers to repay their loans. This process is also subject to human error as the Bank's employees may not always be able to assign an accurate credit risk rating to a client, which may result in the Bank's exposure to a higher credit risk than one indicated by the Bank's risk rating system. The Bank may not be able to timely detect these risks before they occur, or due to limited resources or available infrastructure, the Bank's employees may not be able to effectively

implement its credit risk management system, which may increase the Bank's exposure to credit risk. Moreover, the Bank's failure to continuously refine its credit risk management system may result in a higher risk exposure for the Bank, which could materially and adversely affect its results of operations and financial position.

Overall, if the Bank is unable to effectively control the level of non-performing or poor credit quality loans in the future, or if its loan loss reserves are insufficient to cover future loan losses, the Bank's financial condition and results of operations may be materially and adversely affected.

In addition, the amount of the Bank's non-performing loans may increase in the future as a result of factors beyond the Bank's control, such as changes in the income levels of the Bank's borrowers, increases in the inflation rate or an increase in interest rates, the impact of macroeconomic trends and political events affecting Colombia and other jurisdictions in which the Bank operates or has exposure (especially Panama, El Salvador and Guatemala) or events affecting specific industries. Any of these developments could have a negative effect on the quality of the Bank's loan portfolio, requiring the Bank to increase provisions for loan losses and resulting in reduced profits or in losses.

The Bank is subject to credit risk with respect to its non-traditional banking businesses including investing in securities and entering into derivatives transactions.

Non-traditional sources of credit risk can arise from, among other things: investing in securities, entering into derivative contracts under which counterparties have obligations to make payments to the Bank, and executing securities, futures, currency or commodity trades from the Bank's proprietary trading desk that fail to settle at the required time due to non-delivery by the counterparty or systems failure by clearing agents, exchanges, clearing houses or other financial intermediaries. Any significant increases in exposure to any of these non-traditional risks, or a significant decline in the credit quality or the insolvency of any of the counterparties, could materially and adversely affect the Bank's results of operations and financial position.

The Bank is exposed to risks associated with the mortgage loan market.

The Bank is a leader in the mortgage loan markets in which it operates. Colombia's mortgage loan market is highly regulated and has historically been affected by various macroeconomic factors, as have the mortgage loan markets of Panama, Guatemala and El Salvador. Although interest rates have decreased during recent years, periods of sustained high interest rates have historically discouraged customers from borrowing and have resulted in increased defaults in outstanding loans and deterioration in the quality of assets.

The Bank is subject to concentration of default risks in its loan portfolio. Problems with one or more of its largest borrowers may adversely affect its financial condition and results of operations.

As of December 31, 2017, the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Bank's 25 largest credit exposures, on a consolidated basis, represented 8.88% of the Bank's loan portfolio. No single exposure represented more than 2% of the loan book and all of those loans were corporate loans. Problems with one or more of the Bank's largest borrowers could materially and adversely affect its results of operations and financial position, see "Item 4. Information on the Company – E. Selected Statistical Information – E.3. Loan Portfolio – Borrowing Relationships".

The value of the collateral securing the outstanding principal and interest balance of the Bank's loans may not be sufficient to cover such outstanding principal and interest. In addition, the Bank may be unable to realize the full value of the collateral or guarantees securing the outstanding principal and interest balance of its loans.

The Bank's loan collateral primarily includes real estate, assets pledged in financial leasing transactions and other assets that are located primarily in Colombia, El Salvador, Panama and Guatemala, the value of which may significantly fluctuate or decline due to factors beyond the Bank's control. Such factors include market factors, environmental risks, natural disasters, macroeconomic factors and political events affecting the local economy. In addition, the Bank may face difficulties in enforcing its rights as a secured creditor. In particular, timing delays and procedural problems in enforcing against collateral and local protectionism may make foreclosures on collateral and enforcement of judgments difficult. Any decline in the value of the collateral securing the Bank's loans may result in a reduction in the recovery from collateral realization and may have an adverse impact on the Bank's results of operations and financial condition.

The Bank is subject to market risk.

The Bank is directly and indirectly affected by changes in market conditions. Market risk, or the risk of losses in positions arising from movements in market prices, is inherent in the products and instruments associated with our operations, including loans, deposits, securities, bonds, long-term debt, short-term borrowings, proprietary trading in assets and liabilities and derivatives. Changes in market conditions that may affect our financial condition and results of operations include fluctuations in interest and currency exchange rates, securities prices and changes in the implied volatility of interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates, among others.

The Bank's results of operations are sensitive to fluctuations in interest rates.

The Bank holds a substantial portfolio of loans and debt securities that have both fixed and floating interest rates. Therefore, changes in interest rates could adversely affect our net interest margins as well as the value of the debt securities. Increases in interest rates may reduce the market value of the Bank's debt securities, leading to smaller gains or larger losses on these investments. Sustained high interest rates have historically discouraged customers from borrowing and have resulted in increased delinquencies in outstanding loans and deterioration in the quality of assets. On the other hand, decreases in interest rates may cause margin compression and lower net interest income as the Bank usually maintains more assets than liabilities at variable rates. Decreasing interest rates also may trigger loan prepayments which could negatively affect the Bank's net interest income. Generally, in a declining interest rate environment, prepayment activity increases, reducing the weighted average maturity of the Bank's interest earning assets and adversely affecting its operating results. Prepayment risk also has a significant adverse impact on our earnings from our credit card and collateralized mortgage obligations, since prepayments could shorten the weighted average life of these portfolios, which may result in a mismatch in funding or in reinvestment of the prepayment

proceeds at lower yields.

The Bank's income from its proprietary trading activities is highly volatile.

The Bank derives a portion of its profits from its proprietary trading activities. Income from this activity is highly volatile and depends on numerous factors beyond the Bank's control, such as the general market environment, overall market trading activity, interest rate levels, fluctuations in exchange rates and general market volatility. A significant decline in the Bank's trading income, or the incurrence of a trading loss, could adversely affect the Bank's results of operations and financial position.

The Bank has significant exposure to sovereign risk, and especially Colombian risk, and the Bank's results could be adversely affected by decreases in the value of its sovereign debt securities.

The Bank's debt securities portfolio is primarily composed of sovereign debt securities, including securities issued or guaranteed by the Colombian Government. Therefore, the Bank's results are exposed to credit, market, and liquidity risk associated with sovereign debt. As of December 31, 2017, the Bank's total debt securities represented 7.29% of its total assets, and 47.22% of these securities were issued or guaranteed by the Colombian Government. A significant decline in the value of the securities issued or guaranteed by the Colombian Government could adversely affect the Bank's debt securities portfolio and consequently the Bank's results of operations and financial position.

The Bank is subject to market, operational and structural risks associated with its derivative transactions.

The Bank enters into derivative transactions for hedging purposes and on behalf of its customers. The Bank is subject to market and operational risks associated with these transactions, including basis risk (the risk of loss associated with variations in the spread between the asset yield and the funding and/or hedge cost) and credit or default risk (the risk of insolvency or other inability of the counterparty to a particular transaction to perform its obligations thereunder). In addition, the market practice and documentation for derivative transactions is less developed in the jurisdictions in which the Bank operates as compared to other more economically developed countries, and the court systems in such jurisdictions have limited experience in dealing with issues related to derivative transactions. As a result, there are increased operating and structural risks associated with derivatives transactions in these jurisdictions.

In addition, the execution and performance of derivatives transactions depend on the Bank's ability to develop adequate control and administrative systems, and to hire and retain qualified personnel. Moreover, the Bank's ability to adequately monitor, analyze and report these derivative transactions depends, to a great extent, on its information technology systems. These factors may further increase the risks associated with these transactions and could materially and adversely affect the Bank's results of operations and financial position.

The Bank is subject to operational risks and losses.

The Bank's businesses are dependent on the ability to process a large number of transactions efficiently and accurately. Operational risks and losses can result from fraud, employee errors, technological failures and failure to properly document transactions or to obtain proper internal authorization, failure to comply with regulatory requirements, breaches of conduct of business rules, equipment failures, natural disasters or the failure of external systems. The Bank has adopted procedures to prevent and manage each of the operational risks, but there can be no assurance that our procedures will be sufficient to prevent losses resulting from these risks.

In addition, the Bank's businesses are exposed to risk from potential non-compliance with policies, employee misconduct or negligence and fraud, which could result in regulatory sanctions and serious reputational or financial harm. In recent years, a number of financial institutions have suffered material losses due to the actions of employees and third parties. The precautions the Bank takes to prevent and detect employee and third-party misconduct may not always be effective.

The Bank's businesses rely heavily on data collection, processing and storage systems, the failure of which could materially and adversely affect the effectiveness of its risk management, reputation and internal control system as well as its financial condition and results of operations.

All of the Bank's principal businesses are highly dependent on the ability to timely collect and process a large amount of financial and other information at its various branches across numerous markets, at a time when transaction processes have become increasingly complex with increasing volume. The proper functioning of financial control, accounting or other data collection and processing systems is critical to the Bank's businesses and to its ability to compete effectively. A partial or complete failure of any of these primary systems could materially and adversely affect the Bank's decision-making process, its risk management and internal control systems, the quality of its service, and the Bank's ability to respond on a timely basis to changing market conditions. If the Bank cannot maintain an effective data collection and management system, its business operations, financial condition, reputation and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected. The Bank is also dependent on information systems to operate its website, process transactions, respond to customer inquiries on a timely basis and maintain cost-efficient operations. The Bank may experience operational problems with its information systems as a result of system failures, viruses, computer hackers or other causes. Any material disruption or slowdown of its systems could cause information, including data related to customer requests and other client information, to be lost, compromised, or to be delivered to the Bank's clients with delays or errors, which could reduce demand for the Bank's services and products, resulting in additional costs for the Bank and potentially fines and penalties by regulators which could materially and adversely affect the Bank's results of operations and financial position.

The Bank is subject to cyber-security risk.

The Bank is subject to cyber-security risk, which includes the unauthorized access to privileged information, technological assaults on the infrastructure of the Bank with the aim of stealing information, committing fraud or interfering with regular service, and the interruption of the Bank's services to some of its clients or users due to the exploitation and materialization of these vulnerabilities. Cyber-security risks for financial institutions have significantly increased because of the proliferation of new technologies, the use of the Internet and telecommunications technologies to conduct financial transactions, and the increased sophistication and activities of organized crime, hackers, terrorists and other external parties.

The Bank's business is highly dependent on the security and efficacy of its infrastructure, computer and data management systems, as well as those of service providers, and others with whom the Bank interacts.

The Bank has implemented a cyber-security management and control system that is designed to anticipate, identify, and offset these threats. The system includes features, among others, such as: perimeter security devices; the constant monitoring and continuous assessment of technological infrastructure seeking to identify vulnerabilities; implementations of software and hardware upgrades; backup security systems; a 24/7 security operations center; and continuous security testing (including ethical hacking). Furthermore, the Bank has obtained an insurance policy aimed at covering certain damages that may be suffered by the Bank and third parties as a result of data losses derived from cyber-attacks.

In addition to the measures listed above, all relevant cyber-security issues are reported to the Bank's Board of Directors and Audit Committee.

As of the date of this Annual Report, the Bank has not faced a cyber-attack with a material impact on its business or its clients. However, we can give no assurance that the previously described measures, initiatives and procedures will be effective to prevent or mitigate potential future attacks or threats to our technology infrastructure. Any failure by the Bank to detect or prevent cyber-security risk in a timely manner could result in a negative impact on the Bank's results of operations and financial position, or in problems with information, including data related to customers being lost, compromised, or delivered to the Bank's clients with delays or errors.

Failures related to the Bank's information technology infrastructure and management information systems could adversely affect the Bank's competitiveness, reputation, financial condition and results of operations.

The Bank has recently faced technological failures which have negatively affected the Bank's products and services in general, and in particular, its digital channel (including multiple offline periods). Such failures have impacted, principally, the capacity of our clients to access their products and services. In addition to the technological updates being implemented by the Bank, we have implemented controls and measures, such as enabling alternative channels to assure the client's access to our services, in order to mitigate such failures and to prevent future threats. Any failure to effectively prevent and manage the Bank's information technology infrastructure and information management systems in an adequate manner could materially and adversely affect the Bank's competitiveness, reputation, financial condition and results of operations.

Furthermore, the Bank's ability to remain competitive will depend in part on its ability to upgrade the Bank's information technology infrastructure on a timely and cost-effective basis. The information available to and received by the Bank's management through its existing information systems may not be timely and sufficient to manage risks or to plan for and respond to changes in market conditions and other developments in its operations. The Bank regularly undertakes projects to update its information technology platform ("IT platform") that may result in significant changes in the manner in which the Bank manages its business. Any failure to effectively improve or upgrade the Bank's information technology infrastructure and information management systems in a timely and cost-effective

manner could materially and adversely affect the Bank's competitiveness, reputation, financial condition and results of operations.

The occurrence of natural disasters in the regions in which the Bank operates could impair its ability to conduct business effectively and could impact its results of operations.

The Bank is exposed to the risk of natural disasters such as earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, tornadoes, tropical storms, floods, wind and hurricanes in the regions where it operates. Although the Bank has implemented disaster recovery systems, in the event of a natural disaster, unanticipated problems with said systems could have a material adverse effect on the Bank's ability to conduct business in the affected region, particularly if those problems affect its computer-based data processing, transmission, storage and retrieval systems and destroy valuable data. In addition, if a significant number of the Bank's local employees and managers became unavailable due to a natural disaster, the Bank's ability to effectively conduct business could be severely compromised. In addition, the Bank may face added credit risk if its clients located in the affected region are not able to make timely payment on outstanding loans or other obligations to the Bank. A natural disaster or multiple catastrophic events could have a material adverse effect on the Bank's business and results of operations in the affected region.

Acquisitions and strategic partnerships may not perform in accordance with expectations or may disrupt the Bank's operations and adversely affect its profitability.

An element of the Bank's business strategy is to identify and pursue growth-enhancing strategic opportunities. The Bank may base assessments of potential acquisitions and partnerships on assumptions with respect to operations, profitability and other matters that may subsequently prove to be incorrect, and any future acquisitions, investments and alliances may not produce the anticipated synergies or perform in accordance with the Bank's expectations which could adversely affect its operations and profitability.

The Bank's concentration in and reliance on short-term deposits may increase its funding costs.

The Bank's principal source of funds is short-term deposits, which on a consolidated basis represented 73.52% of total liabilities at the end of 2017 compared to 71.71% at the end of 2016. Because the Bank relies primarily on short-term deposits for its funding, in the event of a sudden or unexpected shortage of funds in the banking systems and money markets in which the Bank operates, the Bank may not be able to maintain its current level of funding without incurring higher costs or selling assets at prices below their prevailing market value.

The Bank has adopted certain initiatives, policies and procedures to mitigate risks related to regulatory compliance.

The Bank is subject to laws and regulations related to anti-competitive practices, including the formation of cartels and the abuse of its dominant position. Violation of these laws and regulations may result in significant administrative sanctions imposed by the SIC.

The Bank is in the process of creating a special unit responsible for overseeing and ensuring regulatory compliance in general and, in particular, compliance with regulations related to anti-competitive practices, personal data protection and consumer protection. If this initiative is not successful our reputation, regulatory position and financial condition may be adversely affected and our ability to achieve our strategic objectives may be impaired.

Moreover, to ensure compliance with regulations regarding the use and protection of personal data, the Bank is currently developing a Comprehensive Data Protection Program. The program may not be able to prevent all inappropriate use of personal data or breaches that may result in personal data being exposed.

The Bank may not be able to prevent all risks associated with regulatory compliance or detect all instances of non-compliance with regulations. Any failure by the Bank to detect and prevent the aforementioned practices in a timely manner could damage the Banks reputation and facing substantial fines and penalties which could adversely affect the Bank's results of operations and financial position.

The Bank's policies and procedures may not be able to detect money laundering, corruption and other illegal or improper activities fully or on a timely basis.

The Bank is required to comply with applicable anti-money laundering, anti-terrorism laws and other regulations. These laws and regulations require the Bank, among other things, to adopt and enforce "know your customer" policies and procedures and to report suspicious and large transactions to the applicable regulatory authorities. While the Bank has adopted policies and procedures aimed at detecting and preventing the use of its banking network for money laundering activities and by terrorists and terrorist-related organizations and individuals generally, as the methods used by money launderers evolve and become increasingly sophisticated, such policies and procedures may not completely eliminate the risk that the Bank may be used by other parties to engage in money laundering, corruption and other illegal or improper activities.

The Bank is subject to laws and regulations relating to corrupt and illegal payments to public and private officials in the jurisdictions in where it operates, including the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and Colombian regulations on transnational bribery. The Bank has an anti-corruption system, which incorporates, among others, an anti-corruption policy, training, reporting channels, monitoring, internal investigations and sanctions. Such system has only been recently implemented and does not completely eliminate the risk that the Bank's employees, providers, clients or agents may engage in corrupt practices.

If the Bank fails to fully comply with applicable laws and regulations, it may face fines, penalties or other liabilities including restrictions on its ability to conduct business. In addition, the Bank's business and reputation could suffer if it is not able to prevent and detect money laundering, corruption or other illegal practices.

The Bank is subject to increasing competition which may adversely affect its results of operations.

The Bank operates in a highly competitive environment and management expects competition to increase in the jurisdictions where the Bank operates. Intensified merger activity in the financial services industry has produced larger, better capitalized and more geographically diverse firms that are capable of offering a wider array of financial products and services at more competitive prices. Also, the emergence of new financial technologies, unregulated financial intermediaries (known as "shadow banking") and the recent enactment of regulations aimed at enabling non-Colombian residents to offer loans in COP, may increase competition for the Bank operates. The Bank's ability to maintain its competitive position depends mainly on its ability to fulfill new customers' needs through the development of new products and services, the Bank's ability to offer adequate services and strengthen its customer base through cross-selling and the Bank's ability to bring in and retain human talent. The Bank's business will be adversely affected if the Bank is not able to maintain efficient service strategies. In addition, the Bank's efforts to offer new services and products may not succeed if product or market opportunities develop more slowly than expected or if the profitability of opportunities is undermined by competitive pressures.

Downgrades in the credit ratings of the Bank and its subsidiaries would increase their cost of borrowing funds and make their ability to raise new funds, attract deposits or renew maturing debt more difficult.

The Bank's and its subsidiaries' credit ratings are an important component of the liquidity profile of each entity, and their ability to successfully compete depends on various factors, including their financial stability as reflected by their credit ratings. A downgrade in the credit ratings of the Bank or its subsidiaries would increase their cost of raising funds from other banks or in the capital markets. Purchases of the Bank's or its subsidiaries' securities by institutional investors could be reduced if they suffer a decline in their credit ratings. The ability of the Bank or its subsidiaries to renew maturing debt could become restricted and the terms for such renewal more expensive if their credit ratings were to decline. The Bank's and its subsidiaries' lenders and counterparties in derivative transactions are sensitive to the risk of a credit rating downgrade. A downgrade in the credit rating of the Bank or its subsidiaries may adversely affect perception of their financial stability and their ability to raise deposits, which could make each entity less successful when competing for deposits and loans in the market place.

The Central Bank may impose requirements on our (and other Colombian residents) ability to obtain loans in foreign currency.

The Central Bank may impose certain mandatory deposit requirements in connection with foreign currency denominated loans obtained by Colombian residents, including the Bank, although no such mandatory deposit requirement is currently in effect. We cannot predict or control future actions by the Central Bank in respect of deposit requirements, which may involve the establishment of a mandatory deposit percentage, and the use of such measures by the Central Bank may raise our cost of raising funds and reduce our financial flexibility.

#### Risks Relating to the Preferred Shares and the ADSs.

Preemptive rights may not be available to holders of American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") evidencing ADSs.

The Bank's by-laws and Colombian law require that, whenever the Bank issues new shares of any outstanding class, it must offer the holders of each class of shares (including holders of ADRs) the right to purchase a number of shares of such class sufficient to maintain their existing percentage ownership of the aggregate capital stock of the Bank. These rights are called preemptive rights. United States holders of ADRs may not be able to exercise their preemptive rights through The Bank of New York Mellon, which acts as depositary (the "Depositary") for the Bank's ADR facility, unless a registration statement under the Securities Act is effective with respect to such rights and class of shares or an exemption from the registration requirement thereunder is available. The Bank is obligated to file a registration statement or find a corresponding exemption only if it determines to extend the rights to holders of the ADRs.

Although it is not obligated to, do so, the Bank intends to consider at the time of any rights offering the costs and potential liabilities associated with any such registration statement, the benefits to the Bank from enabling the holders of the ADRs to exercise those rights and any other factors deemed appropriate at the time before it makes a decision as to whether to file a registration statement. Accordingly, the Bank may in some cases decide not to file a registration statement. For example, in connection with rights offering in January 2012, the Bank did not file such a registration statement.

Under the deposit agreement between the Bank and the Depositary, only the Depositary is entitled to exercise preemptive rights, and the Depositary has no obligation to make available preemptive rights to holders of ADRs. If the Bank offers or causes to be offered to the holders of any deposited securities, including preferred shares of the Bank, any rights to subscribe for additional preferred shares of the Bank or any rights of any other nature, the Depositary has discretion as to the procedure to be followed in making such rights available to any holders of ADRs or in disposing of such rights on behalf of any holders of ADRs and making the net proceeds available to such holders of ADRs. If by the terms of such rights offering or for any other reason, the Depositary does not either make such rights available to any holders of ADRs or dispose of such rights and make the net proceeds available to such holders of ADRs, then the Depositary will allow the rights to lapse. Whenever the rights are sold or lapse, the equity interests of the holders of ADRs will be proportionately diluted.

The Bank's preferred shares have limited voting rights.

The Bank's corporate affairs are governed by its by-laws and Colombian law. Under the Bank's by-laws and Colombian law, the Bank's preferred stockholders may have fewer rights than stockholders of a corporation incorporated in a U.S. jurisdiction. Under the Bank's by-laws and Colombian corporate law, holders of preferred shares (and, consequently, holders of ADRs) have no voting rights in respect of preferred shares, other than in limited circumstances as described in Item 10. "Additional Information – B. Memorandum and Articles of Association – Voting Rights – Preferred Shares". Holders of the Bank's preferred shares, including holders of ADRs, are not entitled to vote for the election of directors or to influence the Bank's management policies.

Holders of the Bank's ADRs may encounter difficulties in the exercise of dividend and voting rights.

Holders of the Bank's ADRs may encounter difficulties in the exercise of some of their rights with respect to the shares underlying ADRs. If the Bank makes a distribution to holders of underlying shares in the form of securities, the Depositary is allowed, in its discretion, to sell those securities on behalf of ADR holders and instead distribute the net proceeds to the ADR holders. Also, even in those limited instances in which the preferred shares represented by the ADRs have the power to vote, under some circumstances, ADR holders may not be able to vote by giving instructions to the depositary. This may occur if ADR holders do not receive from the Depositary a notice of meeting sufficiently prior to the instruction date to ensure that the Depositary will vote the preferred shares represented by the ADRs in accordance with instructions received from such holders. There are no circumstances in which holders of ADRs may vote in a way other than by providing instructions to the Depositary.

Relative illiquidity of the Colombian securities markets may impair the ability of an ADR holder to sell preferred shares.

The Bank's common and preferred shares are listed on the Colombian Securities Exchange, which is relatively small and illiquid compared to stock exchanges in major financial centers. In addition, a small number of issuers represent a disproportionately large percentage of market capitalization and trading volume on the Colombian Securities Exchange. A liquid trading market for the Bank's securities might not develop on the Colombian Securities Exchange. A limited trading market could impair the ability of an ADR holder to sell preferred shares (obtained upon withdrawal of such shares from the ADR facility) on the Colombian Securities Exchange in the amount and at the price and time such holder desires, and could increase the volatility of the price of the ADRs.

ADRs do not have the same tax benefits as other equity investments in Colombia.

Although ADRs represent Bancolombia's preferred shares, they are held through a fund of foreign capital in Colombia which is subject to a specific tax regulatory regime. Accordingly, the tax benefits applicable in Colombia to equity investments, in particular those relating to dividends and profits from sale, are not applicable to ADRs, including the Bank's ADRs. For more information see Item 10. "Additional Information. –E. Taxation –Colombia Taxation".

#### ITEM 4. INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY

#### A.HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMPANY

Bancolombia is Colombia's leading financial institution, with presence in other jurisdictions such as Panama, El Salvador, Puerto Rico, Guatemala, the Cayman Islands, and Peru, providing a wide range of financial products and services to a diversified individual, corporate, and government customer base throughout Colombia, Latin America and the Caribbean region.

Bancolombia is a stock company (sociedad anónima) domiciled in Medellin, Colombia and operates under Colombian laws and regulations, mainly the Colombian Commercial Code, Decree 663 of 1993 and Decree 2555 of 2010. Bancolombia was incorporated in Colombia in 1945, under the name Banco Industrial Colombiano S.A. or "BIC", and is incorporated until 2044. In 1998, the Bank merged with Banco de Colombia S.A., and changed its legal name to Bancolombia S.A. On July 30, 2005, Conavi Banco Comercial y de Ahorros S.A. and Corporación Financiera Nacional y Suramericana S.A. merged with and into Bancolombia, with Bancolombia as the surviving entity. Through this merger, Bancolombia gained important competitive advantages in retail and corporate banking which materially strengthened Bancolombia's multi-banking franchise.

In May 2007, Bancolombia Panama acquired Banagrícola, which controls several subsidiaries, including Banco Agrícola in El Salvador, and is dedicated to banking, commercial activities, consumer activities and brokerage. Through its first international acquisition, Bancolombia gained a leadership position in the Salvadorian market.

In October 2013, Bancolombia acquired a 100% percent interest in the ordinary voting shares, and 1,325,780 preferred shares of Banistmo, a Panamanian banking entity and its subsidiaries involved in the securities brokerage, trust, consumer finance, and leasing businesses.

Also in October 2013, Bancolombia Panama acquired a 40% interest in Grupo Agromercantil, the parent company of BAM, and certain other companies dedicated to securities brokerage, insurance, and other financial businesses. Bancolombia Panama acquired an additional 20% interest and control of Grupo Agromercantil on December 30, 2015.

Since 1995, Bancolombia has maintained a listing on the NYSE, where its ADSs are traded under the symbol "CIB", and on the Colombian Securities Exchange, where its preferred shares are traded under the symbol "PFBCOLOM". Since 1981 Bancolombia's common shares have been traded on the Colombian Securities Exchange under the symbol "BCOLOMBIA". See Item 9. "The Offer and Listing".

Bancolombia has grown substantially over the years, both through organic growth and acquisitions.

As of December 31, 2017, Bancolombia and its consolidated subsidiaries had:

COP 203,908 billion in total assets;

COP 152,245 billion in total net loans and advances to customers and financial institution, net;

COP 131,959 billion in total deposits from customers; and

COP 23,113 billion in stockholders' equity attributable to the owners of the parent company.

Bancolombia's consolidated net income attributable to equity holders of Bancolombia S.A. for the year ended December 31, 2017 was COP 2,615 billion, representing a return on average total equity of 11.99% and a return on average total assets of 1.3%.

The address and telephone numbers of the Bank's headquarters are as follows: Carrera 48 # 26-85, Medellín, Colombia; telephone + (574) 404-1837. Our agent for service of process in the United States is Puglisi & Associates, presently located at 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware 19711.

#### RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

**Issuance of Subordinated Notes** 

On October 18, 2017 Bancolombia S.A. issued notes for an aggregate principal amount of USD 750,000,000. The notes, which were listed in the New York Stock Exchange, have a 10-year maturity, are redeemdable at the option of Bancolombia on the fifth anniversary of their issuance and bear interest at a rate of 4.875%, payable semi-annually on April 18 and October 18 of each year, commencing on April 18, 2018. The Bank used the proceeds of the Notes to acquire USD 360,912,000 of the outstanding Notes due 2020 and USD 321,152,000 of the outstanding Notes due 2022, issued on July 26, 2010 and September 4, 2012, respectively, through a private exchange following a dealer intermediated tender offer.

#### **Issuance of Banistmo Senior Notes**

On September 12, 2017, Banistmo issued international bonds for an aggregate principal amount of USD 500,000,000 due in 2022, under Regulation S and Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933. The bonds bear interest at a rate of 3.65%.

Bancolombia enters into a Collective Bargaining Agreement

On October 24, 2017, Bancolombia entered into a new collective bargaining agreement with its labor unions. The new agreement provides for a salary increase as well as increases in education, housing and health insurance benefits. The agreement covers 13,000 Colombian employees of Bancolombia S.A. and its subsidiaries. The agreement came into force on November 1, 2017 and will expire on October 31, 2020.

#### PUBLIC TAKEOVER OFFERS

In 2017, and as of the date of this Annual Report, there have been no public takeover offers by third parties with respect to the Bank's shares or by the Bank in respect to another company's shares.

#### CAPITAL ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTITURES

During 2017, total capital expenditures amounted to COP 349.97 billion. Such investments were mainly focused on IT related projects (COP 59.71 billion), the expansion of the Bank's branch and ATM network (COP 23.64 billion), the purchase of fixed assets (COP 30.92 billion), and other miscellaneous projects, including new software modules, upgrade of web contents, automation of reports, and construction of data centers (COP 235.69 billion).

In 2017, Bancolombia funded its capital expenditures with its own resources and plans to continue to fund those currently in progress in the same manner.

During 2018, the Bank expects to invest approximately COP 295.98 billion as follows: COP 47.65 billion in connection with the expansion of the Bank's branch and ATM network, COP 55.26 billion in connection with the purchase of hardware for the expansion, updating and replacement of the current IT equipment, COP 36.99 billion in connection with other fixed assets and COP 156.08 billion in connection with strategic projects. These figures represent only an estimate and may change according to the continuing assessment of the Bank's project portfolio. No assurance can be given, however, that all such capital expenditures will be made and, if made, that such expenditures will be in the amounts currently expected.

The following table summarizes the Bank's capital acquisitions and divestitures in interests in other companies, for the years ending December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015:

Capital Acquisitions (1)		For the year ended December 31,			
	<b>Type of Investment</b>	2017	2016	2015	Total
		In millio	ons of Co	OP	
PA Viva Malls	Associate	262,918	388,595	-	651,513
PA Central Point	Financial Instrument	•	-	-	36,242
Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A.	Joint venture		15,977	-	45,977
Puntos Colombia S.A.S.	Joint venture	9,000	-	-	9,000
ECOPETROL S.A.	Financial Instrument	-	-	1,785	8,132
500 Luchadores II, L.P.	Financial Instrument		-	-	2,984
Davivienda S.A. Preferencial	Financial Instrument		-	2,180	4,670
Canacol Energy Ltd.	Financial Instrument		-	-	2,375
PA Estrategias Inmobiliarias	Financial Instrument		-	-	1,797
Grupo AVAL Acciones y Valores S.A.	Financial Instrument		-	-	1,735
CEMEX Latam Holdings S.A.	Financial Instrument		-	-	1,650
Fondo Bursátil Ishares COLCAP	Financial Instrument		-	-	1,567
Corporación Financiera Colombiana S.A.	Financial Instrument		-	-	1,501
Fondos SURA SAF SAC	Financial Instrument		3,307	-	4,652
Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc	Financial Instrument		-	-	1,328
Johnson & Johnson de Colombia S.A.	Financial Instrument		-	-	1,258
SPDR Gold Shares	Financial Instrument		-	-	916
Amgen, Inc	Financial Instrument		-	-	784
Walgreens Boots Alliance, Inc	Financial Instrument		- 572	-	762
Reintegra S.A.S.	Associate	739	573	950	2,262
Grupo ARGOS S.A.	Financial Instrument		92,966	-	92,966
Asociación Gremail de Instituciones Financieras Credibanco S.A.			82,258	-	82,258
PA Clínica del Prado  Fidricamica P. A. Acque Power Center	Financial Instrument		41,069	-	41,069
Fideicomiso P.A Acqua Power Center	Financial Instrument Financial Instrument		21,649	-	21,649
Fideicomiso Corpacero S.A.S. PA Plesco	Financial Instrument		11,111	-	11,111
ETB S.A. E.S.P.	Financial Instrument		10,935 1,986	-	10,935
	Financial Instrument		1,615	1,695	1,986
Equifax centroamerica S.A. De C.V. Gestora de Fondos de Inversión Banagricola S.A.		. –	-	1,093	3,310 1,471
Inversiones ARGOS S.A.	Subsidiary Financial Instrument	<b>-</b>	37	1,076	1,471
Grupo Agromercantil Holding S.A. DE C.V.		-	31	477,145	
Internacional Ejecutiva de Aviación S.A.S.	Subsidiary Associate	-	-	8,121	8,121
Compañía de Procesamiento de Medios de Pago Guatemala, S.A.	Financial Instrument	_	-	5,562	5,562
Grupo Nutresa	Financial Instrument		-	2,644	2,644
Grupo AVAL	Financial Instrument		_	2,618	2,618
Transacciones y Transferencias, S.A.	Financial Instrument		-	1,315	1,315
Interconexión Eléctrica S.A.	Financial Instrument		-	1,107	1,107
Cementos ARGOS S.A.	Financial Instrument		-	667	667
Garantias y Servicios S.G.R.S.A. De C.V.	Financial Instrument		-	531	531
Imágenes Computarizadas de Guatemala, S.A.	Financial Instrument		_	476	476
Citigruop, Inc.	Financial Instrument		_	461	461
Others	i manetai mstrument	3,440	1,842	1,709	6,991
Total Acquisitions		•	675,391		1,556,6
Total Acquistions		3/1,1/0	073,391	310,042	1,550,0

The amounts disclosed in this table correspond to the consideration paid as a result of the acquisition of each invesment.

The amount of USD 500 thousand has been converted at the rate of COP 2,942.16 per USD 1,00, which is the (2) Representative Market Rate calculated on May 5, 2016, (the date of the completion of the transaction) as reported by the SFC.

The amount of USD 151,5 million has been converted at the rate of COP 3,149.47 per USD 1,00, which is the Representative Market Rate calculated on December 31, 2015, as reported by the SFC.

## As of December 31,

Capital Divestitures (1)	<b>Type of Investment</b>	. 2017	2016	2015 T
		In millio	ons of CC	)P
Grupo Argos	Financial Instrument	: 92,966	-	- 9
Fideicomiso P.A Acqua Power Center	Financial Instrument	17,640	-	- 1
Leasing Perú S.A. (In liquidation)	Subsidiary	16,838	-	- 1
ECOPETROL S.A.	Financial Instrument	. 15,469	-	- 1
PA Plesco	Financial Instrument	10,935	-	- 1
ADARA VENTURES	Financial Instrument	6,979	-	- 6
Fideicomiso Corpacero S.A.S.	Financial Instrument	6,584	-	- 6
Fondo de Inversión en Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A. (In liquidation)	Subsidiary	3,757	-	- 3
Construcciones El Cóndor S.A.	Financial Instrument		-	- 2
Fondos SURA SAF SAC	Financial Instrument	2,128	-	- 2
SURA Corto Plazo CASHDOL	Financial Instrument	. 1,194	-	- 1
Fogansa S.A.	Financial Instrument	883	-	- 8
Grupo Odinsa S.A.	Financial Instrument	i -	101,371	1,442 1
Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A.	Joint venture		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	- 7
CIFIN S.A.	Financial Instrument	i -	46,432	- 4
ISAGEN S.A. E.S.P.	Financial Instrument	i -	8,489	- 8
Multiactivos S.A.	Associate	-	4,101	- 4
Cementos ARGOS S.A.	Financial Instrument	i -	2,601	
Concesiones Urbanas S.A.	Associate	-	2,361	- 2 - 2
Davivienda S.A. Preferencial	Financial Instrument	i -	2,180	- 2
Trust found	Financial Instrument	i -	2,077	- 2 - 2
Equifax centroamerica S.A. De C.V.	Financial Instrument	i -	1,695	- 1
Inversiones Inmobiliarias Arauco Alameda S.A.S.	Associate	-	-	216,598 2
Others		2,420	2,267	2,426 7
Total Divestitures		180,612	252,591	220,466 6

### **B.BUSINESS OVERVIEW**

## **B.1.GENERAL**

## COMPANY DESCRIPTION, PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

<sup>(1).</sup> The amount disclosed in this table correspond to the consideration received as result of the sale of each invesment.

Bancolombia is a full service financial institution that offers a wide range of banking products and services to a diversified individual and corporate customer base of nearly 12 million customers. Bancolombia delivers its products and services through its regional network comprising Colombia's largest non-Government owned banking network, El Salvador's leading financial conglomerate, Guatemala's fourth-largest bank, Panama's second-largest bank and off-shore banking subsidiaries in Panama, Cayman and Puerto Rico, all of them measure by gross loans.

Bancolombia and its subsidiaries offer the following products and services:

**Savings and Investment:** The Bank offers its customers checking accounts, savings accounts, fixed term deposits and a diverse variety of investment products that fit the specific transactional needs of each client and their income bracket. The Bank also offers its clients and users the service of tax collection in all its branches, and through electronic channels.

**Ahorro a la Mano:** This is a mobile phone based savings account specially designed to serve low-income clients and those with no prior experience with banking products.

**Financing:** The Bank offers its customers a wide range of credit alternatives which include: trade financing, loans funded by domestic development banks, working capital loans, credit cards, personal loans, vehicle loans, payroll loans and overdrafts, among others.

**Mortgage Banking:** The Bank is a leader in the mortgage market in Colombia, providing full financial support to real estate developers and mortgages for individuals and companies.

**Factoring:** Bancolombia offers its clients solutions for handling their working capital and maximizing their assets turnover through comprehensive solutions to manage their accounts receivable financing.

**Financial and Operating Leases:** The Bank offers financial and operating leases specifically designed for acquiring fixed assets.

**Capital Markets:** The Bank assists its clients in mitigating market risk through hedging instruments such as, futures, forwards, options and swaps.

**Trading:** The bank offers an internet-based trading platform, available for retail and institutional clients, which allows them to buy/sell securities in the Colombian Securities Exchange.

The Bank also performs inter-bank lending, repurchase agreements (repos), foreign exchange transactions, as well as sovereign and corporate securities sales and trading. Bancolombia is an active player in the "market-makers" scheme for trading Colombian sovereign debt (TES bonds).

The Bank offers its clients direct access to local and international capital markets through a full range of brokerage and investment advisory services that cover equities and fixed income securities, proprietary and third party asset management products, such as mutual funds, private equity funds, and privately managed investment accounts for institutional, corporate and private bank clients.

Cash Management: The Bank provides support to its clients through efficient cash management, offering a portfolio of standard products that allows clients to make payments and collections through different channels. Our payables and receivables services provide solutions to process and reconcile transactions accurately, efficiently, and in a timely manner. We also offer a comprehensive reporting solution, providing the data that is required by customers' internal processes. In addition, the Bank designs and creates custom-made products in order to address our clients' specific payment and collection needs. These include a variety of real time web services, straight through processing (STP) and messaging through Swift Net solutions.

**Foreign Currency and Trade Finance:** The Bank offers its clients specialized solutions to satisfy their investment, financing and payment needs with regard to foreign currency transactions. The Bank also provides trade finance solutions with products such as Letters of Credit, Standby Letters of Credit and Bills Collection.

**Bancassurance and Insurance:** The Bank distributes diverse insurance products (life, auto, commercial, and homeowner's insurance) written by Compañía Suramericana de Seguros, one of the main insurance companies in Colombia. In addition, Bancolombia offers unemployment insurance written by Sure General Cardif Colombia S.A.

**Investment Banking:** The Bank, through its subsidiary Banca de Inversión, offers a wide variety of value-added services, including project and acquisition finance, debt and equity capital markets, principal investments (in real estate, industrials, construction), M&A, restructurings and structured corporate lending across all economic sectors.

**Trust and Fiduciary Services:** The Bank, through its subsidiary Fiduciaria Bancolombia offers a broad and diversified portfolio of services for companies and individuals, meeting their needs with tailored services. These services include managing escrow accounts, multiple investment funds, and real estate funds.

**Nequi (Digital Bank):** In June 2016, the Bank launched its signature pilot project Nequi, a 100% digital bank that operates independently from the Bancolombia brand. This product is completely paperless; users interact with the platform exclusively by mobile phone, with no contact with Bancolombia's branch network. Nequi users can open a savings account, transfer cash, make payments, withdraw cash from Bancolombia ATMs, and recharge their prepaid cell phone plans. As of December 31, 2017, this app had over 704,467 downloads, 271,864 total users and 76,193 active users who have made at least one transaction over the last three months.

#### **NEW PRODUCTS OR SERVICES**

Bancolombia continues its efforts to diversify and innovate in its product portfolio. Below is a brief description of the new products and services introduced in 2017:

**Nequi (Digital Bank):** In January 2017, the Bank launched its signature pilot project Nequi in Banistmo our operation in Panamá, a 100% digital bank that operates independently from the Banistmo brand. This product is completely paperless; users interact with the platform exclusively by mobile phone, with no contact with Banistmo's branch network. Nequi users can open a savings account, transfer cash, make payments in POS, withdraw cash from Banistmo ATMs, make payments of some bills by the marketplace of Nequi. As of December 31, 2017, this app had

over 80,556 downloads, 20,464 total users and 3,361 active users who have made at least one transaction over the last three months.

**Revolving Credit Facility for Individuals:** it is a product designed for employees that require resources before the next payment day and have a stable salary and their payroll or pension deposited in the Bank. The facility has a flat commitment fee and can be withdrawn through any channel of the Bank. Also, along with the product, there is a life and unemployment insurance that covers the outstanding balance.

#### MAIN LINES OF BUSINESS

The Bank manages its business through nine main operating segments: Banking Colombia, Banking Panama, Banking El Salvador, Banking Guatemala, Trust, Investment Banking, Brokerage, Off Shore, and All other.

For a description and discussion of these segments, please see "Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects – A. Operating Results – Results by Segment".

**B.2.** 

#### **OPERATIONS**

See Note 3 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report for a description of the principal markets in which the Bank competes, including a breakdown of total interest and valuation income by category of activity and geographic market for each of the last two fiscal years.

#### B.3. SEASONALITY OF DEPOSITS

Historically, the Bank has experienced some seasonality in its demand deposits, with higher average balances at the end of the year and lower average balances in the first quarter of the year. This behavior is explained primarily by the increased liquidity provided by the Central Bank and the Colombian National Treasury at year end, as economic activity tends to be higher during this period resulting in a greater number of transactions. However, we do not consider the seasonality of demand deposits to have a significant impact on our business.

**B.4.** 

#### **RAW MATERIALS**

The Bank is not dependent on sources or availability of raw materials.

#### **B.5.**

#### DISTRIBUTION NETWORK

Bancolombia provides its products and services through a traditional branch network, sales and customer representatives as well as through mobile branches (or "*Puntos de Atención Móviles*"), an ATM network, online and computer banking, telephone banking, mobile phone banking services, and points of sale (or "*Puntos de Atención*")

*Cercano*"), among others. Transactions performed through electronic channels represented more than 92.26% of all transactions in 2017, up from 91.02% of all transactions in 2016. In addition, as of December 31, 2017, Bancolombia had a sales force of approximately 13,479 employees.

The following are the distribution channels offered by Bancolombia as of December 31, 2017:

#### **Branch Network**

As of December 31, 2017, Bancolombia's consolidated branch network consisted of 1,153 offices, including 726 from Bancolombia S.A., 97 from Banco Agricola, 44 from Banistmo, 203 from BAM and 83 from other subsidiaries.

Company*	Number of branches 2017	f Number o branches 2016	f Number o branches 2015	f Number of branches 2014
Bancolombia S.A.(unconsolidated)	726	817	827	826
Leasing Bancolombia (1)	19	20	21	21
$SUFI^{(1)}$	5	3	3	3
Bancolombia Panama	1	1	1	1
Bancolombia S.A. Panama Branch	1	1	1	1
Renting Colombia	24	22	23	19
Valores Bancolombia	6	6	7	11
Valores Bancolombia Panamá S.A.	1	1	1	1
Banca de Inversión	2	2	2	2
Fiduciaria Bancolombia	7	6	5	7
Bancolombia Puerto Rico International Inc.	1	1	1	1
Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C. (2)	1	1	1	1
Fondo Inversión Arrend. Operativo Renting Perú I (in liquidation) <sup>(2)</sup>	-	1	1	1
Inversiones CFNS S.A.S.	2	2	2	2
Banco Agrícola	97	97	97	98
Arrendadora Financiera S.A.	1	1	1	1
Valores Banagricola, S.A. de C.V.	1	1	1	1
Capital Investments SAFI S.A.	1	1	1	1
Transportempo S.A.S.	1	1	1	1
Leasing Perú S.A. (in liquidation)	-	1	1	1
FiduPerú S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria (previously Fiduciaria GBC S.A.)	1	1	1	1
Banistmo	44	45	47	50
Financomer	8	8	8	7
BAM (Guatemala)	203	208	220	-
Tuya S.A. Compañía de Financiamiento (3)	-	-	-	4
Seguros Banitsmo (4)	-	-	-	4
Uff Móvil S.A.S. <sup>(5)</sup>	-	-	-	1
Total	1,153	1,248	1,274	1,067

On September 30, 2016, Leasing Bancolombia S.A. merged into Bancolombia. Bancolombia, as the surviving entity, became the holder of the rights and liabilities of Leasing, and assumed responsibility for managing Leasing s

<sup>\*</sup> For some subsidiaries, their central office is considered a branch.

<sup>(1)</sup> existing portfolio of products and services. Leasing Bancolombia assigned to Bancolombia the "Leasing Bancolombia" trademark, which has thereafter been used to identify a division of Bancolombia.Leasing Bancolombia operates 19 branches under that brand. Sufi is a Bancolombia brand that operates 5 branches. Renting Perú S.A.C. changed its legal name to Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C. The offices operated for the (2) Localiza franchise in Peru are included in the total number of branches reported for Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C.

<sup>(3)</sup> Bancolombia S.A. sold 50% of its stake in Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A. on October 31, 2016. Bancolombia S.A. no longer consolidates such company, although it stills own 50% of the company's common

equity.

(4) On February 23, 2015, Banistmo S.A. sold its insurance operation to Suramericana S.A. (5) Bancolombia S.A. sold its 80.59% stake in Uff Movil S.A.S. in 2015.

#### **Banking Correspondents**

A banking correspondent is a platform which allows non-financial institutions, such as stores open to the public, to provide financial services and transactions in towns where banks and financial institutions have limited or no presence. As of December 31, 2017, Bancolombia had a total of 10,349 banking correspondents, including 9,629 in Colombia, 142 in Panama and 578 in El Salvador.

Puntos de Atención Móviles "PAM"
PAMs consist of commercial advisors who visit small towns in Colombia periodically to offer Bancolombia's products and services. As of December 31, 2017, there were a total of 590 PAMs (567 in Colombia, 7 in Panama and 16 in El Salvador).
Kiosks
Kiosks, which are used only in El Salvador, are located inside the Bank's agencies, malls, and other public places and are used to provide the Bank's clients the possibility of conducting a variety of self-service transactions. As of December 31, 2017, there were a total of 227 kiosks.
Automatic Teller Machines "ATMs"
Bancolombia has a total of 5,630 ATMs, including 4,549 in Colombia, 572 in El Salvador, 331 in Panama, and 178 in Guatemala.
Online/Computer Banking
We offer multiple online and computer-based banking alternatives designed to fit the specific needs of our different client segments. Through a variety of platforms (computer and Internet-based solutions) our clients can review their account balances and monitor transactions in their deposit accounts, loans, and credit cards, make virtual term investments, access funds from pre-approved loans, make payroll and supplier payments, make purchases and bill payments, negotiate stocks, learn about products and services and complete other transactions in real time.
Telephone Banking
We provide customized and convenient advisory services to customers of all segments through automatic interactive voice response (IVR) operations and a 24/7 contact center.

Electronic Funds Transfer at Point of Sale or Punto de Atención Cercano "PAC"

Through our own network of 5,414 PACs our customers may carry out a variety of transactions including transfer of funds, bill payments, and changes to debit card PINs, among others.

Mobile Phone Banking Service

Our clients can conduct a variety of transactions using their cell phones, including fund transfers between Bancolombia accounts, account balance inquiries, purchase of prepaid cell phone air time and payment of bills and invoices.

#### B.6. PATENTS, LICENSES AND CONTRACTS

The Bank is not dependent on patents or licenses, nor is it substantially dependent on any industrial, commercial or financial contracts (including contracts with customers or suppliers). However, the contracts with service providers described below are important to the Bank's business:

The online banking platform of the Bank is provided by Todo1 Services Inc., a company specialized in providing services to financial institutions for their mobile and internet banking platforms.

The Bank's call center and telephone banking services are provided by Allus Global BPO Center, a company specialized in providing business process outsourcing, or BPO solutions.

The Bank's check processing and settlement service is provided by IQ Outsourcing S.A., a Colombian company specialized in processing checks issued by customers of the Colombian financial institutions, through the Central Bank.

The Bank's software for processing credit card services is provided by First Data Corp., an electronic commerce and payment processing services provider for financial institutions.

If we were required to replace any of Todo1 Services Inc., Allus Global BPO Center, IQ Outsourcing S.A. or First Data Corp., as service providers of the Bank, or if any of those service providers were not to fulfill their respective contractual obligations, our business could suffer, and we might be required to incur additional costs to find replacement providers.

B.7. COMPETITION

**Description of the Colombian Financial System** 

#### Overview

During the last decade, the Colombian banking system has been undergoing a period of expansion, given the series of mergers and acquisitions that have taken place within the sector. More specifically, several mergers and acquisitions took place in 2007, mainly due to the global economic situation. Colombian banks made several investments allowing some entities to become big players in the Latin American market. In 2007, Bancolombia completed the acquisition of Banagrícola in El Salvador. In 2010, Banco de Bogotá acquired BAC-Credomatic, which operates in several countries in Central America. In 2011, Canadian Scotiabank purchased a stake in Colombia. The most relevant event regarding the presence of foreign banks in Colombia was the acquisition of Banco Santander Colombia S.A. in July 2012 by Corpbanca (Chile). Also in 2012, Davivienda acquired the subsidiaries of HSBC in Costa Rica, Honduras and El

Salvador.

In 2013, Bancolombia continued its internationalization process with the acquisition of the banking and insurance operations of HSBC in Panama for USD 2,234 million. In addition, Bancolombia Panama acquired 40% of the common shares of Grupo Agromercantil for USD 217 million. In 2013, Grupo Aval acquired 100% of the Guatemalan Reformador Financial Group (the transaction was valued at USD 411 million) and acquired BBVA Panama for USD 490 million. In 2013, some competitors started operations in Colombia: Itau BBA entered the market with an investment bank, as did BNP Paribas; Credicorp acquired Correval (a local brokerage firm); Brazilian broker-dealer BTG Pactual acquired Bolsa y Renta; Banco Santander returned to the Colombian market with a bank; and the Chilean company Larrain Vial started operations with a brokerage firm. During 2014, the entry of new entities continued as the financing company Hipotecaria, specialized in mortgage loans, began operations in March, of that year; in June, Corpbanca completed the acquisition of Helm Bank, keeping Corpbanca's brand, and the bank GNB Sudameris acquired 99.9% of the capital of HSBC Colombia and now operates under the brand GNB Colombia. In October 2014, GNB Sudameris acquired GNB Colombia. In 2015, the Chilean group CorpBanca merged with the Itaú of Brazil and Bancolombia sold 50% of its shares in Tuya S.A. to Grupo Exito. In December 2015, Bancolombia also acquired an additional 20% interest in Grupo Agromercantil, bringing its interest to 60% in total.

As of December 31, 2017, according to the SFC, the main participants in the Colombian financial system were 25 commercial banks (14 domestic private banks, 10 foreign banks, and 1 domestic state-owned bank), 5 financial corporations and 16 financing companies (4 leasing companies and 12 traditional financing companies). In addition, trust companies, cooperatives, insurance companies, insurance brokerage firms, bonded warehouses, special state-owned institutions, and pension and severance pay funds also participate in the Colombian financial system.

#### Market and Credit Institutions' Evolution in 2017

During 2017, the Colombian economy continued its downward trend, with an annual GDP growth of 1.8%, lower than the 2.0% of 2016. The economic activities that contributed to GDP growth were financial services, construction and manufacturing. The economic activity that subtracted from GDP growth was mining and quarrying. Inflation in 2017 was 4.09%, 166 basis points less than 2016, and still above the target range of the Central Bank by 9 basis points. Food and housing groups were the main contributors to this gap. Due to the Central Bank's objective inflation policy and the expectations of rate hikes given by the Federal Reserve in the United States, among other reasons, the Central Bank began to lower the interest rate to 4.75% during the second half of 2017. In 2017, the Colombian peso was largely stable, appreciating only 0.56% against the U.S. dollar.

In 2015, Colombian financial institutions began reporting their consolidated financial results under IFRS. However, in the case of credit institutions (including banks, financial corporations, financing companies and 38 financial cooperatives), the SFC has allowed the presentation of stand-alone financial statements under Colombian Banking GAAP, following Decree 1851 of August 2013, which regulates the Law 1314 of 2009 concerning the technical regulatory framework for the institutions that report their financial results. Accordingly, the following information includes figures under Colombian Banking GAAP regulation, as reported by Colombian credit institutions to the SFC. Loan growth at Colombian credit institutions was 6.21% in 2017, compared to 7.83% in 2016. Commercial loans grew by 3.32% in 2017, compared to 4.35% in the previous year. Consumer loans increased 9.39% in 2017, less than the 13.18% in 2016. Mortgage loans continued performing well, with increases of 11.38% compared with 13.50% in 2016, and small business loans grew 7.74% in 2017 as compared with 6.66% in 2016.

Credit institutions' ratio of past-due loans as a percentage of the total loan portfolio increased from 3.19% in December 2016 to 4.33% in December 2017. In addition, the coverage, measured by the ratio of allowances for loan losses (principal) to past-due loans (overdue 30 days), ended 2017 at 133.84%, compared to 154.29% at the end of 2016.

At the end of 2017, the loan portfolio of Colombian credit institutions represented 64.24% of their assets, less than the previous year, when the precentage was 65.00%. Investments and derivatives transactions as a percentage of total assets increased from 20.77% at the end of 2016 to 21.81% at the end of 2017. The ratio of deposits to total loan balances decreased from 88.75% in 2016 to 85.83% in 2017.

As of December 31, 2017, credit institutions recorded COP 676.9 trillion in total assets, representing a 6.63% increase compared to previous year. Based on total assets held by Colombian credit institutions, banks had a market share of 95.55% followed by financial corporations with 1.98%, financing companies with 1.96%, and financial cooperatives with 0.52%.

The capital adequacy ratio (Tier 1 + Tier 2) for credit institutions was 16.58% in December 2017 (including banks, financial corporations, financing companies and financial cooperatives), which is well above the minimum legal requirement of 9%. With the effectiveness of Decree 1771 of 2012 and the external circular 20 of 2013 of the Financial Superintendence, a new capital regime for credit institutions was established in order to strengthen the quality of equity of financial institutions to ensure they have the capacity to absorb losses in the development of their activities.

#### **Bancolombia and its Competitors**

The following table shows the key profitability, capital adequacy ratios and loan portfolio quality indicators for Bancolombia unconsolidated and its main competitors unconsolidated, based on IFRS information as applicable under Colombian Banking GAAP and published by the SFC.

	$ROE^{(1)}$ $ROA^{(2)}$		Past-due loans/ Allowance Total loans Past-due lo				Capital Adequacy			
	Dic-17	Dic-16	Dic-17	Dic-16	<b>Dic-17</b>	Dic-16	Dic-17	Dic-16	Dic-17	Dic-16
Bancolombia	10.42%	13.31%	1.52%	1.96%	4.48%	2.95%	151.50%	189.20%	16.56%	16.20%
Banco de Bogotá	11.97%	26.72%	2.41%	5.33%	3.71%	2.55%	121.34%	133.51%	21.25%	20.80%
Davivienda	11.61%	17.37%	1.41%	2.12%	3.78%	2.95%	127.82%	141.31%	515.58%	13.95%
BBVA	11.37%	12.79%	0.79%	0.99%	4.12%	2.66%	127.43%	148.47%	12.27%	12.87%
Banco de Occidente	7.80%	12.95%	0.92%	1.61%	4.13%	2.96%	118.30%	140.42%	14.03%	13.23%
Banco Corpbanca	(3.50%)	(4.22%)	(0.41%)	(0.49%)	3.81%	2.90%	165.97%	179.61%	12.73%	12.96%
Banco Colpatria	6.93%	15.87%	0.56%	1.38%	5.89%	4.46%	105.94%	134.50%	11.06%	11.36%

Source: SFC.

ROE is return on average stockholders' equity.

ROA is return on average assets.

(2)

The following tables illustrate Bancolombia and its main competitor's market share on an unconsolidated basis with respect to various key products, based on figures published by the SFC for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016:

#### **Total Net Loans Market Share**

## Total Net Loans – Market Share (%) 2017 2016 Bancolombia 25.62% 25.05% Banco de Bogotá 12.97% 13.25% Davivienda 14.79% 14.46% BBVA 10.48% 10.14% Banco de Occidente 6.29% 6.71% Banco Corpbanca 4.96% 5.41% Banco Colpatria 5.11% 4.98%

Source: Ratios are calculated by Bancolombia based on figures published by the SFC.

## **Checking Accounts Market Share**

<b>Checking Accounts – Market Share (%</b>	(6)2017	2016
Bancolombia	21.82%	622.47%
Banco de Bogotá	23.35%	624.55%
Davivienda	10.72%	9.20%
BBVA	12.10%	610.86%
Banco de Occidente	10.43%	611.01%
Banco Corpbanca	2.97%	3.54%
Banco Colpatria	2.67%	3.21%

Source: Ratios are calculated by Bancolombia based on figures published by the SFC.

**Time Deposits Market Share** 

Time Deposits - Market Share (%	)2017	2016
Bancolombia	21.22%	21.68%
Banco de Bogotá	11.75%	12.16%
Davivienda	15.17%	13.34%
BBVA	13.91%	13.27%
Banco de Occidente	4.07%	4.76%

Source: Ratios are calculated by Bancolombia based on figures published by the SFC.

6.91% 8.16%

6.72% 6.36%

## **Saving Accounts Market Share**

Banco Corpbanca

Banco Colpatria

Saving Accounts - Market Share (%	)2017	2016
Bancolombia	25.60%	23.94%
Banco de Bogotá	13.49%	13.07%
Davivienda	12.09%	14.28%
BBVA	10.33%	010.63%
Banco de Occidente	6.73%	5.68%
Banco Corpbanca	3.44%	3.98%
Banco Colpatria	4.64%	4.41%

Source: Ratios are calculated by Bancolombia based on figures published by the SFC.

#### Banco Agrícola and its Competitors

In 2017, Banco Agricola continued to lead the Salvadorian financial system and ranked first in terms of total assets, loans, deposits, stockholders' equity and profits. The information presented in the following tables relates to Banco Agrícola and its competitors on a stand-alone basis and was prepared based on El Salvador accounting standards. The following table illustrates the market share for the main institutions of the Salvadorian financial system for the year ended on December 31, 2017:

#### Assets Stockholders' Equity Loans Deposits Profits

Banco Agríco	la 26.2% 26.0%	26.2% 27.0%	44.7%
Cuscatlán	8.9% 11.1%	8.6% 9.0%	4.7%
Davivienda	15.0% 13.2%	15.3% 13.7%	14.3%
Scotiabank	12.1% 15.4%	13.1% 11.8%	13.4%
BAC	13.6% 11.9%	13.8% 14.1%	13.4%
Promerica	6.8% 5.3%	6.8% 7.2%	5.9%
Others	17.4% 17.1%	16.2% 17.2%	3.6%

Sources: ABANSA (Asociación Bancaria Salvadoreña)

The following tables illustrate the market share of Banco Agricola and its main competitors, based on figures published by the Salvadorian Banking Association (ABANSA), as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

### **Total Loans Market Share**

#### Total Loans - Market Share (%) 2017 2016

Banco Agrícola	26.2% 27.2%
Cuscatlán	8.6% 8.5%
Davivienda	15.3% 14.9%
Scotiabank	13.1% 14.1%
BAC	13.8% 13.0%
Promerica	6.8% 6.8%
Others	16.2% 15.5%

## **Checking Accounts Market Share**

# Checking Accounts - Market Share (%) 2017 2016 Banco Agrícola 21.9% 22.3% Cuscatlán 11.7% 13.3% Davivienda 11.0% 10.4% Scotiabank 9.4% 9.4% BAC 20.8% 20.2% Promerica 7.0% 7.1% Others 18.2% 17.3%

## **Time Deposits Market Share**

## Time Deposits - Market Share (%) 2017 2016 Banco Agrícola 21.1% 21.3% Cuscatlán 6.2% 5.6% Davivienda 15.8% 15.2% Scotiabank 13.4% 15.1% BAC 11.9% 10.7% Promerica 9.4% 9.7% Others 22.2% 22.4%

### **Saving Accounts Market Share**

Saving Account - Market Share (%)	2017	2016
Banco Agrícola	40.1%	39.0%
Cuscatlán	9.8%	9.9%
Davivienda	13.5%	13.3%
Scotiabank	12.2%	12.9%
BAC	9.9%	8.7%
Promerica	4.4%	4.1%
Others	10.1%	12.1%

#### **Banistmo and its Competitors**

Banistmo, a leading company in Panama, is the second largest bank in the country with an 11.0% market share by loans. The information presented in the following tables relates was prepared based on Panama accounting standards. The following table illustrates the market share for the main institutions of the Panamanian financial system for the year ended in December 31, 2017.

#### **MARKET SHARE**

#### Assets Equity Loans Deposits Profits

				-	
Banistmo	9.4%	9.2%	11.0%	12.0%	5.0%
Banco General	15.9%	10.5%	16.1%	20.8%	21.2%
Global Bank	6.6%	5.1%	7.6%	5.8%	6.8%

Banesco	4.1%	3.3%	4.3%	6.4%	2.7%
BAC	8.0%	22.6%	5.7%	7.0%	25.0%
Others	56.0%	49.3%	55.3%	48.0%	39.3%

Source: Banistmo based on data by SBP (Superintendency of Banks of Panama)

The following tables illustrate the market share of Banistmo stand-alone and its main competitors, based on figures published by the Superintendency of Banks of Panama, in accordance with Panamanian banking regulations, for the years ended in December 31, 2017 and 2016:

#### **Total Loans**

#### **Market Share**

Total Loans - Market Share $(\%)$	2017	2016
Banistmo	11.0%	10.8%
Banco General	16.1%	15.1%
Global Bank	7.6%	8.4%
Banesco	4.3%	4.1%
BAC	5.7%	5.4%
Others	55.3%	56.2%

Source: Banistmo based on data by SBP (Superintendency of Banks of Panama)

#### **Saving Accounts**

#### **Market Share**

<b>Saving Account - Market Share (%)</b>	2017	2016
Banistmo	12.2%	13.0%
Banco General	25.8%	25.8%
Global Bank	5.2%	5.4%
Banesco	12.5%	13.1%
BAC	3.1%	3.1%
Others	41.2%	39.6%

Source: Banistmo based on data by SBP (Superintendency of Banks of Panama)

#### **Checking Accounts**

#### **Market Share**

## Checking Accounts - Market Share (%)20172016Banistmo12.0% 12.2%Banco General23.5% 24.6%

 Global Bank
 3.8%

 Banesco
 4.1%
 4.7%

 BAC
 10.4% 9.0%

 Others
 46.2% 45.7%

Source: Banistmo based on data by SBP (Superintendency of Banks of Panama)

#### **Time Deposits**

#### **Market Share**

#### Time Deposits - Market Share (%) 2017 2016

Banistmo	11.9% 11.6%
Banco General	17.8% 16.8%
Global Bank	6.7% 6.6%
Banesco	4.5% 4.4%
BAC	7.4% 6.0%
Others	51.7% 54.6%

Source: Banistmo based on data by SBP (Superintendency of Banks of Panama)

Banco Agromercantil de Guatemala, S.A. and its Competitors

Banco Agromercantil continues as the fourth largest bank in the banking system in Guatemala by total assets, net loans and stockholders' equity.

As of December 31, 2017, the Superintendencia de Bancos de Guatemala (SIB) has under its supervision and inspection, 18 banking entities. The information presented in the following tables was prepared in accordance with Guatemalan banking regulations, as reported to the SIB (Superintendencia de Bancos de Guatemala). The following table illustrates the market share for the main institutions of the financial system as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017:

#### **MARKET SHARE**

	Assets	Stockholders' Equit	yLoans Deposit	sProfits
Banco Industrial	28.3%	24.8%	27.9% 24.8%	30.5%
Banrural	20.4%	23.4%	17.9% 22.9%	20.7%
Banco G&T Continental	17.1%	13.8%	15.5% 17.3%	13.2%
Banco Agromercantil	8.0%	8.3%	10.6% 7.4%	6.5%
BAC-Reformador	7.6%	8.1%	9.9% 8.0%	6.3%
Bantrab	7.0%	7.4%	7.0% 7.7%	11.6%
Banco Promerica	2.1%	2.9%	2.6% 2.2%	2.6%
Others*	9.5%	11.3%	8.6% 9.7%	8.6%

<sup>\*</sup>Others. Includes the followings banks: Internacional, Crédito Hipotecario Nacional, Ficohsa Azteca, Inmobiliario, De Antigua, Vivibanco, Citibank, N.A. de Guatemala, De Crédito, Inv.

Source: Superintendencia de Bancos de Guatemala (SIB).

The following tables illustrate the market share of Banco Agromercantil and its main competitors, based on figures published by the SIB as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

#### **Net Loans**

**Market Share** 

<b>Total Loans - Market Share (%)</b>	2017	2016
Banco Industrial	27.9%	27.6%
Banrural	17.9%	20.0%
Banco G&T Continental	15.5%	15.8%
Banco Agromercantil	10.6%	10.7%
BAC-Reformador	9.9%	8.4%
Bantrab	7.0%	6.5%
Banco Promerica (Citibank 2016)*	2.6%	2.6%
Others**	8.6%	8.4%

<sup>\*</sup> Banco Promerica (Citibank 2016). Grupo Promerica completed the acquisition of Banco Citibank de Guatemala, S.A on October 31, 2016. This transaction is only for consumer and commercial banking, excluding corporate banking which will continue to operate under Citibank N.A. Guatemala Branch. As of February 2017, Banco Citibank de Guatemala, S.A. changed its corporate name to Banco Promerica de Guatemala.

Source: Superintendencia de Bancos de Guatemala (SIB).

<sup>\*\*</sup>Others. Includes the following banks: Internacional, Crédito Hipotecario Nacional, Ficohsa, Azteca, Inmobiliario, De Antigua, Vivibanco, Citibank, N.A. de Guatemala, De Crédito, Inv.

### **Checking Accounts Market Share**

<b>Checking Accounts - Market Share (%)</b>	2017 2016
Banco Industrial	30.0% 31.3%
Banrural	22.1% 22.0%
Banco G&T Continental	17.1% 17.3%
BAC-Reformador	11.9% 9.9%
Banco Agromercantil	7.2% 7.8%
Bantrab	1.2% 1.2%
Banco Promerica (Citibank 2016)*	2.0% 1.9%
Others**	8.5% 8.6%

<sup>\*</sup> Banco Promerica (Citibank 2016). Grupo Promerica completed the acquisition of Banco Citibank de Guatemala, S.A on October 31, 2016. This transaction is only for consumer and commercial banking, excluding corporate banking which will continue to operate under Citibank N.A. Guatemala Branch. As of February 2017, Banco Citibank de Guatemala, S.A. changed its corporate name to Banco Promerica de Guatemala.

Source: Superintendencia de Bancos de Guatemala (SIB).

## **Time Deposits Market Share**

Time Deposits - Market Share (%)	2017	2016
Banco Industrial	20.9%	18.4%
Banrural	19.5%	21.6%
Bantrab	15.5%	13.5%
Banco G&T Continental	15.0%	17.1%
Banco Agromercantil	7.5%	7.2%
BAC-Reformador	5.9%	5.6%
Banco Promerica (Citibank 2016)*	2.9%	3.4%
Others**	12.8%	13.2%

<sup>\*\*</sup>Others. Includes the following banks: Internacional, Crédito Hipotecario Nacional, Ficohsa, Azteca, Inmobiliario, De Antigua, Vivibanco, Citibank, N.A. de Guatemala, De Crédito, Inv.

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\*\*Others. Includes the following banks: Internacional, Crédito Hipotecario Nacional, Ficohsa, Azteca, Inmobiliario, De Antigua, Vivibanco, Citibank, N.A. de Guatemala, De Crédito, Inv.

Source: Superintendencia de Bancos de Guatemala (SIB).

#### Saving Accounts Market Share

<b>Saving Accounts - Market Share (%)</b>	2017	2016
Banco Industrial	23.5%	24.1%
Banrural	31.1%	30.0%
Banco G&T Continental	22.1%	21.4%
Banco Agromercantil	7.5%	8.3%
BAC-Reformador	5.2%	5.2%
Bantrab	3.5%	3.6%
Banco Promerica (Citibank 2016)*	1.3%	1.5%
Others**	5.8%	5.9%

<sup>\*</sup> Banco Promerica (Citibank 2016). Grupo Promerica completed the acquisition of Banco Citibank de Guatemala, S.A on October 31, 2016. This transaction is only for consumer and commercial banking, excluding corporate banking which will continue to operate under Citibank N.A. Guatemala Branch. As of February 2017, Banco Citibank de Guatemala, S.A. changed its corporate name to Banco Promerica de Guatemala.

\*\*Others. Includes the following banks: Internacional, Crédito Hipotecario Nacional, Ficohsa, Azteca, Inmobiliario, De Antigua, Vivibanco, Citibank, N.A. de Guatemala, De Crédito, Inv.

Source: Superintendencia de Bancos de Guatemala (SIB).

#### **B.8.** SUPERVISION AND REGULATION

Colombian Banking Regulators

Pursuant to Colombia's Constitution, Congress has the power to prescribe the general legal framework within which the Government may regulate the financial system. The agencies vested with the authority to regulate the financial system are the board of directors of the Central Bank, the Ministry of Finance and Public Credit (the "Ministry of Finance"), the SFC, the Superintendency of Industry and Commerce (the "SIC") and the Self-Regulatory Organization (*Autoregulador del Mercado de Valores* or "AMV").

#### Central Bank

The Central Bank exercises the customary functions of a central bank, including price stabilization, monetary policy, regulation of currency circulation, regulation of credit, exchange rate monitoring and management of international reserves. Its board of directors is the regulatory authority for monetary, currency exchange and credit policies, and is responsible for the direction of the Central Bank's duties. The Central Bank also acts as lender of last resort to financial institutions.

#### Ministry of Finance

One of the functions of the Ministry of Finance is to regulate all aspects of finance and insurance activities. As part of its duties, the Ministry of Finance issues decrees relating to financial matters that may affect banking operations in Colombia. In particular, the Ministry of Finance is responsible for regulations relating to capital adequacy, risk limitations, authorized operations, disclosure of information and accounting of financial institutions on a high level, which matters are then regulated in detail by the SFC.

Superintendency of Finance
The SFC is the authority responsible for supervising and regulating financial institutions, including commercial banks such as the Bank, finance corporations, financing companies, financial services companies and insurance companies, all of which require prior authorization of the SFC before commencing operations. Regulations issued by the SFC must comply with decrees issued by the Ministry of Finance. The SFC has broad discretionary powers to supervise financial institutions, including the authority to impose fines on financial institutions and their directors and officers for violations of applicable regulations. The SFC can also conduct on-site inspections of Colombian financial institutions.
The SFC is also responsible for monitoring and regulating the market for publicly traded securities in Colombia and for monitoring and supervising securities market participants, including the Colombian Securities Exchange, brokers, dealers, mutual funds and issuers.
Violations of the financial system rules and regulations are subject to administrative and, in some cases, criminal sanctions.
Other Colombian regulators
Self- Regulatory Organization
The AMV is a private entity responsible for the regulation of entities participating in the Colombian capital markets. The AMV may issue mandatory instructions to its members and supervise its members' compliance and impose sanctions for violations.
All capital market intermediaries, including the Bank, must become members of the AMV and are subject to its regulations.
Superintendency of Industry and Commerce

The SIC is the authority responsible for supervising and regulating competition in several industrial sectors, including financial institutions. The SIC is authorized to initiate administrative proceedings and impose sanctions on banks, including the Bank, whenever the financial entity behaves in a manner considered to be anti-competitive.

Regulatory Framework for Colombian Banking Institutions

The basic regulatory framework of the Colombian financial sector is set forth in Decree 663 of 1993, as modified by among others, Law 510 of 1999, Law 546 of 1999, Law 795 of 2003, Law 1328 of 2009 and Law 1870 of 2017.

Decree 663 of 1993 defined the structure of the Colombian financial system, establishes a set of permitted activities wilthin the system and defines several forms of business entities, including: (i) credit institutions (establecimientos de crédito) (which are further categorized into banking institutions, such as the Bank, finance corporations (corporaciones financieras), financing companies (compañias de financiamiento) and finance cooperatives (cooperativas financieras)); (ii) financial services entities (sociedades de servicios financieros); (iii) capitalization corporations (sociedades de capitalización); (iv) insurance companies (entidades aseguradoras); and (v) insurance intermediaries (intermediarios de seguros). Furthermore, Decree 663 of 1993 sets forth (i) the procedure applicable for mergers and acquisitions, spin-offs, and other corporate reorganizations of the aforementioned entities, (ii) specific regulations that apply to the issuance and sale of shares and other securities by such entities, and (iii) certain rules regarding the activies of officers and directors of such institutions, among others. Finally, Decree 663 of 1993 provides that no financial, banking or credit institution may operate in Colombia without the prior approval of the SFC.

Law 510 of 1999 improved the solvency standards and stability of Colombia's financial institutions by providing rules for their incorporation and regulating permitted investments of credit institutions, insurance companies and investment companies.

Law 546 of 1999 was enacted to regulate the system of long-term home loans.

Law 795 of 2003 broadened the scope of permitted activities for financial institutions, to update regulations with some of the then-latest principles of the Basel Committee and to increase the minimum capital requirements in order to incorporate a financial institution (for more information, see "Minimum Capital Requirements" below). Law 795 of 2003 also provided authority to the SFC to take preventive measures, consisting mainly of preventive interventions with respect to financial institutions whose capital falls below certain thresholds.

Law 1328 of 2009 provided a set of rights and responsibilities for customers of the financial system and a set of obligations for financial institutions in order to minimize disputes. This law also gives foreign banks more flexibility to operate in Colombia through "branches". Following its adoption, credit institutions were allowed to operate leasing businesses and banks were allowed to extend loans to third parties so that borrowers could acquire control of other companies.

Law 1870 of 2017 implemented the legal framework for the regulation and supervision on financial conglomerates. The law sets forth a definition for financial conglomerate. This regulation establishes two ways in which a company is considered a financial holding company and therefore subject to the new legal framework: (i) it has significant influence over a financial institution, or (ii) it controls a financial institution. This law prescribes the framework within which the Government and the SFC may regulate matters related to financial conglomerates, such as regulatory capital, definition of related parties, corporate governance principles and risk management, among others. In regulating financial conglomerates, the Government and the SFC musttake into consideration the structure,

complexity, and individual features of each conglomerate. Additionally, regarding risk management and exposure limits, the new requirements applicable to financial conglomerates must consider the requirements to which the financial institutions are already subject. Along the same lines, when financial institutions fulfill capital adequacy requirements and solvency ratios, authorities may not impose solvency ratios on the conglomerate.

The law also reinforced the mechanism for the resolution of credit establishments - deposit-taking institutions under Colombian Law - by establishing the concept of the bridge bank, an entity used to facilitate the purchase of assets and transfer of liabilities from failing institutions.

The SFC has authority to implement applicable regulations and, accordingly, from time to time issues administrative resolutions and circulars. By means of External Circular 029 of 2014, the SFC compiled the rules and regulations applicable to financial institutions and other entities under its supervision. Likewise, by means of External Circular 100 of 1995 (the "Basic Accounting Circular"), it compiled all accounting rules applicable to financial institutions and its other supervised entities.

Financial institutions are subject to further rules if they engage in additional activities. Law 964 of 2005 (securities market law) regulates securities intermediation activities, which may be performed by banks, and securities offerings. External Resolution 8 of 2000 (foreign exchange regulations), and Resolution 4 (as hereinafter defined) issued by the board of directors of the Central Bank, defined the different activities that banks, including the Bank, may perform as currency exchange intermediaries, including lending in foreign currencies and investing in foreign securities.

Additionally, Decree 2555 of 2010 compiled regulations that were dispersed in separate decrees, including regulations regarding securities market activities, capital adequacy requirements, principles in the determination, diffusion and publicity of rates and prices of products and financial services, and lending activities.

Violations of any of the above statutes and their relevant regulations are subject to administrative sanctions and, in some cases, criminal sanctions.

#### **Key interest rates**

Colombian commercial banks, finance corporations and consumer financing companies are required to provide the Central Bank, on a weekly basis, with data regarding the total volume (in pesos) of certificates of deposit issued during the prior week and the average interest rates paid for certificates of deposit with maturities of 90 days. Based on such reports, the Central Bank computes *Depósitos a Término Fijo* ("DTF") rate, which is published at the beginning of the following week, for use in calculating interest rates payable by financial institutions. The DTF is the weighted average interest rate paid by finance corporations, commercial banks and consumer financing companies for certificates of deposit with maturities of 90 days. For the week of April 27, 2018, the DTF was 4.88%.

Article 884 of the Colombian Commercial Code provides for a limit on the amount of interest that may be charged in commercial transactions. The limit is 1.5 times the current banking interest rate, or *Interés Bancario Corriente*, certified and calculated by the SFC as the average rate of interest ordinarily charged by banks for loans made during a specified period. The current banking interest rate for small business loans and for all other loans is certified by the SFC. As of December 31, 2017, the banking interest rate for small business loans was 36.78% and for all other loans was 20.69%.

#### Capital adequacy requirements

Capital adequacy requirements for Colombian financial institutions (as set forth in Decree 2555 of 2010, as amended) are based on applicable Basel Committee standards. Some of the highlights of this regulation are as follows:

The technical capital is calculated as the sum of Ordinary Basic Capital (common equity Tier I), Additional Basic Capital (additional Tier I), and Additional Capital (Tier II capital).

Criteria for debt and equity instruments to be considered ordinary basic capital, additional basic capital, and additional capital were established. Additionally, the SFC must review whether a given instrument adequately complies with these criteria in order for an instrument to be considered Tier I or Tier II capital, upon request of the issuer. Debt and equity instruments that have not been classified by the SFC as basic or additional capital are not be considered Tier I or Tier II capital for purposes of capital adequacy requirements.

The capital adequacy ratio is set at a minimum of 9% of the financial institution's total risk-weighted assets; however, each entity must comply with a minimum basic solvency ratio of 4.5%, which is defined as the ordinary basic capital after deductions divided by the financial institution's total risk-weighted assets. These ratios apply to credit establishments individually and on a consolidated basis. Credit establishments include Banks, Financial Corporations, and Financing Companies.

Recently the Ministry of Finance issued Decree 415 of 2018, which establishes that as of the year 2019, non-depository financial institutions, such as asset managers and fiduciary entities under Colombian law, shall comply with a 9% minimum solvency ratio on an individual basis.

In 2014, the Ministry of Finance issued Decree 1648 of 2014 and Decree 2392 of 2015 establishing criteria for hybrid instruments to be considered additional basic capital (Additional Tier I).

As of December 31, 2017, the Bank's capital adequacy ratio was 14.18%, exceeding the requirements of the Colombian government and the SFC by 518 basis points. As of December 31, 2016, the Bank's capital adequacy ratio was 13.26%.

For more information, see Item 5. "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects - B1 Liquidity and Funding. Capital Adequacy."

The minimum capital requirement for banks on an unconsolidated basis is established in Article 80 of Decree 633 of 1993. The minimum capital requirement for banks, including Bancolombia S.A., for 2017 is COP 90,142 million. Failure to meet such requirement can result in the taking of possession (*toma de posesión*) of the Bank by the SFC (see Item 4. "Information on the Company – B. Business Overview – B.8 –Supervision and Regulation – Bankruptcy Considerations").

#### **Capital Investment Limit**

For entities incorporated in Colombia, all investments in subsidiaries and other authorized capital investments, excluding those made in order to abide by legal requirements, may not exceed 100% of the total aggregate capital, equity reserves and the equity re-adjustment account of the respective bank, financial corporation or commercial finance company excluding unadjusted fixed assets and including deductions for accumulated losses.

#### **Mandatory Investments**

Central Bank regulations require financial institutions, including the Bank, to hold minimum mandatory investments in debt securities issued by Fondo para el Financiamiento del Sector Agropecuario ("Finagro"), a Colombian public financial institution that finances production and rural activities to support the agricultural sector. The amount of these mandatory investments is calculated by applying a fixed percentage (ranging from 4.3% to 5.8%, depending on the type of liability) to the quarterly average of the end of day balances of certain liabilities, primarily, deposits and short-term debt. The investment balance is computed at the end of each quarter. Any required adjustment (due to a change in the quarterly average between periods) results in the purchase of additional securities or may result in redemption by Finagro at of securities in excess of the requirement. The purchase of additional securities takes place during the month following the date as of which the computation was performed.

#### **Foreign Currency Position Requirements**

According to External Resolution 9 of 2013 issued by the board of directors of the Central Bank as amended or suppplemented ("Resolution 9"), a financial institution's foreign currency position (posición propia en moneda extranjera) is the difference between such institution's foreign currency-denominated assets and liabilities (including any off-balance sheet items), actual or contingent, including those that may be converted into Colombian legal currency.

Resolution 9 provides that the average of a bank's foreign currency position for three business days cannot exceed the equivalent in pesos of 20% of the bank's technical capital. Currency exchange intermediaries such as the Bank are permitted to hold a three business days' average negative foreign currency position not exceeding the equivalent in foreign currency of 5% of its technical capital (with penalties being payable after the first business day).

In addition, in the case of a bank that consolidated financial statements with its subsidiaries and has controlled foreign investments, the average of the bank's foreign currency position for three business days cannot exceed the equivalent in foreign currency of 30% of the bank's technical capital.

Resolution 9 also defines the foreign currency position in cash (posición propia de contado en moneda extranjera) as the difference between all foreign currency-denominated assets and liabilities. A bank's three business days average foreign currency position in cash cannot exceed 50% of the bank's technical capital. In accordance with Resolution 9, the three business days' average must be calculated on a daily basis and the foreign currency position in cash for any single business day can be negative as long as it does not exceed 20% of the bank's technical capital.

Finally, Resolution 9 requires banks to comply with a gross position of leverage (posición bruta de apalancamiento) as it relates to its foreign currency position. Gross position of leverage is defined as (i) the value of term contracts denominated in foreign currency, plus (ii) the value of transactions denominated in foreign currency to be settled in a term equal or greater than one day in cash, plus (iii) the value of the exchange rate risk exposure associated with exchange rate options and derivatives. According to Resolution 9 the three business days' average of the gross position of leverage cannot exceed 55% of the technical capital.

#### **Reserve Requirements**

Credit institutions are required to satisfy reserve requirements with respect to deposits and other cash demands which are held by the Central Bank in the form of cash deposits. According to Resolution 11 of 2008 issued by the board of directors of the Central Bank, as amended, the reserve requirements for Colombian banks are measured bi-weekly and the amount depends on the class of deposits.

Credit institutions must maintain reserves of 11% over private demand deposits, government demand deposits, other deposits and liabilities and savings deposits; of 4.5% over term deposits with maturities fewer than 540 days and 0% over term deposits with maturities equal to or more than 540 days.

#### **Foreign Currency Loans**

According to External Resolution 8 of 2000, residents of Colombia may obtain foreign currency loans from foreign residents, and from Colombian currency exchange intermediaries (such as the Bank) or by placing debt securities abroad. Foreign currency loans must be either disbursed through a foreign exchange intermediary or deposited in special purpose offshore accounts.

Colombian residents who borrow funds in foreign currency my be required to post with the Central Bank non-interest bearing deposits for a specified term, but currently although the size of the required deposit is currently zero. Such deposits would not be required in certain cases, including foreign currency loans aimed at financing Colombian investments abroad, or for short-term exportation loans, provided that these loans are disbursed against the funds of Banco de Comercio Exterior – Bancoldex.

External Resolution 8 of 2000 sets forth a number of restrictions and limitations as to the use of proceeds in the case of foreign currency loans obtained by Colombian currency exchange intermediaries for the purpose of avoiding the

deposit requirement described above. Such foreign currency loans may be used, among others, for lending activities in a foreign currency with a tenor equal to, or shorter than, the tenor of the foreign financing.

Finally, pursuant to Law 9 of 1991, the board of directors of the Central Bank is entitled to impose conditions and limitations on the incurrence of foreign currency indebtedness, as an exchange control policy, in order to avoid pressure in the currency exchange market.

#### **Non-Performing Loan Allowance**

The SFC maintains rules on non-performing loan allowances for financial institutions. These rules apply for Bancolombia's financial statements on a stand-alone basis for Colombian regulatory purposes. Non-performing loan allowances in the Consolidated Financial Statements are calculated according to IFRS.

#### **Lending Activities**

Decree 2555 of 2010, as amended, sets forth the maximum amounts that a financial institution may lend to a single borrower (including for this purpose all related fees, expenses and charges). These maximum amounts may not exceed 10% of a bank's Technical Capital. However, there are several circumstances under which the limit may be raised. In general, the limit is raised to 25% when amounts lent above 5% of Technical Capital are secured by guarantees that comply with the financial guidelines provided in Decree 2555 of 2010, as amended. Also, a bank may not make loans to any shareholder that holds directly more than 10% of its capital stock for one year after such shareholder reaches the 10% threshold. In no event may a loan to a shareholder holding directly or indirectly 20% or more of the Bank's capital stock exceed 20% of the Bank's Technical Capital. In addition, no loan to a single financial institution may exceed 30% of the Bank's Technical Capital, with the exception of loans funded by Colombian development banks which are not subject to such limit.

Decree 2555 of 2010 also sets a maximum limit of 30% of the Bank's technical capital for single-party risk, the calculation of which includes loans, leasing operations and equity and debt investments.

The Central Bank also has the authority to establish maximum limits on the interest rates that commercial banks and other financial institutions may charge on loans. However, interest rates must also be consistent with market terms with a maximum limit certified by the SFC.

#### **Ownership and Management Restrictions**

The Bank is organized as a stock company (sociedad anónima). Its corporate existence is subject to the rules applicable to commercial companies, principally the Colombian Commercial Code which requires stock companies (such as the Bank) to have a minimum of five shareholders at all times and provides that no single shareholder may own 95% or more of the Bank's subscribed capital stock. Article 262 of the Colombian Commerce Code prohibits the Bank's subsidiaries from acquiring stock of the Bank.

Pursuant to Decree 663 of 1993, as amended, any transaction resulting in an individual or entity holding 10% or more of the outstanding shares of any Colombian financial institution, including, in the case of the Bank, transactions resulting in holding ADRs representing 10% or more of the subscribed capital stock of the Bank, is subject to the prior authorization of the SFC. For that purpose, the SFC must evaluate the proposed transaction based on the criteria and guidelines specified in Decree 663 of 1993. Transactions entered into without the prior approval of the SFC are null and void and cannot be recorded in the institution's stock ledger. These restrictions apply equally to Colombian and foreign investors.

#### **Bankruptcy Considerations**

Colombian banks and other financial institutions are not subject to the laws and regulations that generally govern the insolvency, restructuring and liquidation of industrial and commercial companies, but rather are subject to special rules, the most important details of which are summarized below.

Pursuant to Colombian banking law, the SFC has the power to intervene in the operations of a bank in order to prevent it from, or to control and reduce the effects of, a bank failure. The SFC also conducts periodic visits to financial institutions and may impose capital or solvency obligations on financial institutions without taking control.

The SFC may intervene in a bank's business: (i) prior to the liquidation of the bank, in order to prevent the bank from entering into a state where the SFC would need to take possession by taking one of the following recovery measures (institutos de salvamento): (a) submitting the bank to a special supervision regime; (b) issuing a mandatory order to recapitalize the bank; (c) placing the bank under the management of another authorized financial institution, acting as trustee; (d) ordering the transfer of all or part of the assets, liabilities and contracts of the bank to another financial institution; (e) ordering the bank to merge with one or more financial institutions that consent to the merger; (f) ordering the adoption of a recovery plan by the bank pursuant to guidelines approved by the government; (g) ordering the exclusion of certain assets and liabilities by requiring the transfer of such assets and liabilities to another institution designated by the SFC; or (h) ordering the progressive unwinding (desmonte progresivo) of the operations of the bank; or (ii) at any time, by taking possession of the bank to either administer the bank or order its liquidation, depending on how critical the situation is found to be by the SFC.

The following grounds for a taking of possession are considered to be "automatic" in the sense that, if the SFC discovers their existence, the SFC must step in and take over the financial institution: (i) if the financial institution's Technical Capital falls below 40% of the legal minimum; or (ii) upon the expiration of the term of any then-current recovery plans or the non-fulfillment of the goals set forth in such plans.

Additionally, and subject to the approval of the Ministry of Finance and the opinion of its advisory council (Consejo Asesor del Superintendente), the SFC may, at its discretion, initiate intervention procedures against a bank under the following circumstances: (i) suspension of payments; (ii) failure to pay deposits; (iii) refusal to submit its files, accounts and supporting documentation for inspection by the SFC; (iv) refusal to be interrogated under oath regarding its business; (v) repeated failure to comply with orders and instructions from the SFC; (vi) repeated violations of applicable laws and regulations or of the bank's by-laws; (vii) unauthorized or fraudulent management of the bank's business; (viii) reduction of the bank's net worth below 50% of its subscribed capital; (ix) existence of serious inconsistencies in the information provided to the SFC that, at its discretion, impedes the SFC to accurately understand the situation of the bank; (x) failure to comply with the minimum capital requirements set forth in Decree 663 of 1993; (xi) failure to comply with the recovery plans that were adopted by the bank; (xii) failure to comply with

the order of exclusion of certain assets and liabilities to another institution designated by the SFC; and (xiii) failure to comply with the order of progressive unwinding (desmonte progresivo) of the operations of the bank.

Within two months (extensible for two additional months) from the date in which the SFC takes possession of a bank, the SFC must decide which measures to adopt. The decision is to be made with the purpose of permitting depositors, creditors and investors to obtain full or partial payment of their credits and must be submitted to Fondo de Garantías de Instituciones Financieras' (Fogafin) previous opinion.

Upon the taking of possession of a bank, depending on the bank's financial situation and the reasons that gave rise to such measure, the SFC may (but is not required to) order the bank to suspend payments to its creditors. The SFC has the power to determine that such suspension will affect all of the obligations of the bank, or only certain types of obligations or even obligations up to or in excess of a specified amount.

As a result of the taking of possession, the SFC must appoint as special agent the person or entity designated by Fogafin to administer the affairs of the bank while such process lasts and until it is decided whether to liquidate the bank.

As part of its duties following the taking of possession by the SFC, Fogafin must provide the SFC with the plan to be followed by the special agent in order to meet the goals set for the fulfillment of the measures that may have been adopted. If the underlying problems that gave rise to the taking of possession of the bank are not resolved within a term not to exceed two years, the SFC must order the liquidation of the bank.

During the taking of possession (which period ends when the liquidation process begins), Colombian banking laws prevent any creditor of the bank from: (i) initiating any procedure for the collection of any amount owed by the bank; (ii) enforcing any judicial decision rendered against the bank to secure payment of any of its obligations; (iii) constituting a lien or attachment over any of the assets of the bank to secure payment of any of its obligations; or (iv) making any payment, advance or compensation or assuming any obligation on behalf of the bank, with the funds or assets that may belong to it and are held by third parties, except for payments that are made by way of set-off between regulated entities of the Colombian financial and insurance systems.

In the event that the bank is liquidated, the SFC must, among other measures, provide that all term obligations owed by the bank are due and payable as of the date when the order to liquidate becomes effective.

During the liquidation process bank deposits and certain other types of saving instruments will be excluded from the liquidation process and paid prior to any other liabilities. The remainder of resources will be distributed among creditors whose claims are recognized in accordance with the following rank: (i) the first class of claims includes the court expenses incurred in the interest of all creditors, wages and other obligations related with employment contracts and tax authorities' credits regarding national and local taxes; (ii) the second class of claims comprises the claims

secured by a security interest on movable assets; (iii) the third class of claims includes the claims secured by real estate collateral, such as mortgages; (iv) the fourth class of claims contains some other claims of the tax authorities against the debtor that are not included in the first class of claims and claims of suppliers of raw materials and input to the debtor and (v) finally, the fifth class of claims includes all other credits without any priority or privilege, provided, however, that among credits of the fifth class, subordinated debt will be ranked junior to the external liabilities (pasivos externos) and senior only to capital stock. Each category of creditors will collect in the order indicated above, whereby distributions in one category will be subject to the full satisfaction of claims in the prior category.

#### **Deposit insurance—Troubled Financial Institutions**

Subject to specific limitations, Fogafin is authorized to provide equity (whether or not reducing the par value of the recipient's shares) and/or secured credits to troubled financial institutions, and to insure deposits of commercial banks and certain other financial institutions.

To protect the customers of commercial banks and certain financial institutions, Resolution 1 of 2012 of the board of directors of Fogafin, as amended, requires mandatory deposit insurance. Banks must pay an annual premium of 0.30% of total funds received on saving accounts, checking accounts, certificates of deposit and other deposits, which is paid in four quarterly installments. If a bank is liquidated, the deposit insurance will cover the funds deposited by an individual or corporation with such bank up to a maximum of COP 50 million regardless of the number of accounts held.

#### **Risk Management Systems**

Commercial banks must have risk administration systems to meet the SFC minimum standards for compliance and to avoid and mitigate the following risks: (i) credit; (ii) liquidity; (iii) market; (iv) operational; (v) money laundering and terrorism; and (vi) counterparty.

Commercial banks generally have several risk measurement methods, including the risk weighted assets measurement which is calculated according to weight percentages assigned to different types of assets, which may be 0%, 20%, 50% and 100%. There are some exceptions in which the weight percentage is higher and is calculated based on the associated risk perception of the evaluated asset. Provisions, which are calculated on a monthly basis, are another risk measurement method. For commercial and consumer loans, the SFC issues a provision reference model, according to which the probability of default depends on an assigned rating (AA, A, BB, B, CC and default). For mortgage loans and small business loans, provisions are calculated based on ratings (A, B, C, D and E) assigned depending on the time elapsed since the client's default.

With respect to market risks, commercial banks must follow the provisions of the Basic Accounting Circular, which defines criteria and procedures for measuring a bank's exposure to interest rate, foreign exchange, and market risks. Under such regulations, banks must submit to the SFC information on the net present value, duration, and interest rate of its assets, liabilities, and derivative positions. Colombian banks are required to calculate, for each position on the statement of financial position, a volatility rate and a parametric value at risk ("VaR"), which is calculated based on net present value, modified duration and a risk factor computed in terms of a basis points change. Each risk factor is calculated and provided by the SFC.

With respect to liquidity risk, financial entities must meet a liquidity coverage test that ensures their ability to hold liquid assets sufficient to cover potential net cash outflows for a period of 30 days. Net cash outflows for this purpose are contractual maturities of assets (interbank borrowings, financial assets investments, loans and advances to customers, derivative financial instruments) minus contractual maturities of liabilities (demand deposits, time deposits, interbank deposits borrowings from other financial institutions, debt securities, derivative financial instruments) occurring within a period of 30 days. For purposes of this calculation, liabilities does not include projections of future transactions. The maturity of the loan portfolio is affected by the historical default indicator and the maturity of deposits is modeled according to the regulation.

With respect to operational risk, commercial banks must assess, according to principles provided by the Basic Accounting Circular, each of their business lines (such as corporate finance, purchases and sales of securities, commercial banking, asset management, etc.) in order to record the risk events that may occur and result in fraud, technology problems, legal and reputational problems and problems associated with labor relations at the bank.

#### **Anti-Money Laundering Provisions**

The regulatory framework to prevent and control money laundering is contained in, among others, Decree 663 of 1993 and External Circular 029 of 2014 issued by the SFC, as well as Law 599 of 2000, and the Colombian Criminal Code, as amended.

Colombian laws adopt the latest guidelines related to anti-money laundering and other terrorist activities established by the Financial Action Task Force on Money Laundering ("FATF"). Colombia, as a member of the GAFI-SUD (a FATF-style regional body), follows all of FATF's 40 recommendations and eight special recommendations. External Circular 029 of 2014 requires the implementation by financial institutions of a system of controls for money laundering and terrorism financing. These rules emphasize "know your customer" policies and knowledge of customers and markets, and other customer identification and monitoring processes that include screening against international lists.

Financial institutions must cooperate with the appropriate authorities to prevent and control money laundering and terrorism financing. Finally, the Colombian Criminal Code introduced criminal rules and regulations to prevent, control, detect, eliminate and adjudicate all matters related to financing terrorism and money laundering, including the omission of reports on cash transactions, mobilization or storage of cash, and the lack of controls.

#### Regulatory Framework for Subsidiaries that are Non-Participants in the Financial Sector

All of Bancolombia's Colombian subsidiaries that are not part of the financial services are governed by the laws and regulations embodied in the Colombian Civil Code and the Colombian Commercial Code as well as any regulations issued by the Colombian Superintendency of Industry and Commerce and the Superintendency of Corporations or any other type of special regulations that may be applicable to the commercial and industrial activities carried out by said subsidiaries.

#### International regulations applicable to Bancolombia and its subsidiaries

#### **FATCA**

FATCA, a U.S. federal tax law enacted in 2010, imposes a 30% withholding tax on 'withholdable payments' made to non-U.S. financial institutions that do not participate in the FATCA program or that fail (or, in some cases, that have affiliates in which they hold an interest of more than 50% and which are also non-U.S. financial institutions that fail) to provide certain information regarding their U.S. accountholders and/or certain U.S. investors (such U.S. accountholders and U.S. investors, "U.S. accountholders") to the IRS. FATCA also requires participating FFIs to withhold on "passthru payments" (which include both "withholdable payments" and certain non-U.S.-source payments) made to account holders who do not provide information to the FFIs to determine their U.S. accountholder's status – "recalcitrant accountholders" – and to FFIs that do not sign an FFI Agreement with the IRS (such FFIs, "nonparticipating FFIs"). "Withholdable payments" generally include, among other items, payments of U.S.-source interest and dividends and the gross proceeds from the sale or other disposition of property that may produce U.S.-source interest and dividends. This withholding will take effect on a "phased" schedule, which started in July 2014 with respect to certain payments.

Among the countries where Bancolombia operates, Colombia, the Cayman Islands, and Panama have signed an IGA Model 1. Peru has reached an agreement in substance with the IRS, and consented to be treated as having an IGA in effect. In addition, certain subsidiaries of Bancolombia located in other countries have transmitted directly to the IRS the information required pursuant to FATCA, since they have not entered into an IGA.

#### **CRS**

The CRS, approved by the OECD Council on 2014, is applicable to signatory countries of the Multilateral Competent Authority Agreement ("MCAA") which, therefore, have the obligation to obtain information from their financial institutions and automatically exchange that information with other jurisdictions on an annual basis. The CRS defines (i) which financial institutions are required to report; (ii) the types of accounts covered; and (iii) the due diligence procedures that financial institutions must follow to identify the reporting information.

Among the countries where Bancolombia operates, Colombia, Panamá and Cayman Island, have signed to the MCAA and, thus, has the obligation to report in accordance to the CRS.

## **Financial Regulation in Panama**

The banking business in Panama is regulated by the Law Decree 9 of 1998, subsequently amended by Law Decree 2 of 2008. In accordance with the Law Decree, as amended, the Superintendency of Banks of the Republic of Panama, as the banking supervisor, has the power to issue agreements and resolutions to regulate the banking system. These regulations are mainly focused on matters such as licensing of banks, corporate governance, banking supervision (consolidated and individual or sub-consolidated), capital requirements, capital adequacy, liquidity requirements, risk management (credit, market, liquidity, country, asset and liability, operational, information technology, electronic banking), external audit, on-site inspections, reporting, compliance, change of control, mergers and acquisitions, confidentiality, money laundering, voluntary wind up, administrative and operational control, reorganization, bankruptcy, penalties, customers protection and dispute resolution.

In order to implement Basel III capital standards, the Superintendency of Banks of the Republic of Panama issued in January 2015 an agreement on Capital Adequacy. This agreement sets forth the new composition of a banking institution's capital base, as well as the new capital adequacy ratio, including tier 1 core capital ratio and tier 1 capital ratio, all consistent with Basel III standards. This agreement became effective in June 2016, and the new standards will be implemented, progressively, from that date until they are fully applicable in January 2019. With respect to liquidity, banks operating under a general banking license, or General License Banks, are currently required to maintain 30% of their global deposits in liquid assets (which include short-term loans to other banks and other liquid assets) of the type prescribed by the Superintendency of Banks. Additionally, General License Banks are required to maintain assets in Panama of no less than 85% of their local deposits or any other percentage fixed by the Superintendency of Banks. Under the Banking Law, deposits from central banks and other similar depositories of the international reserves of sovereign states are immune from attachment or seizure proceedings.

Panamian regulations also require all financial institutions to maintain a legal reserve for certain obligations. The Superintendency of Banks may require additional marginal reserves. The exact level and method of calculation of these reserve requirements is set by the Superintendency of Banks.

As for credit risk, in March 2016, the Superintendency of Banks of the Republic of Panamá issued Accord No.3-2016, which sets forth new risk weights applicable to on and off-balance sheet credit exposures, which are more risk sensitive in line with Basel II. The Accord introduces the treatment of counterparty exposures in derivatives transactions, as well as credit risk mitigation techniques, such as the treatment of financial collaterals.

In Panama, banks are prohibited from granting, directly or indirectly, to any individual or legal person, including any entity that is part of the economic group of a bank, any loan or credit facility, guarantee or any other obligation (other than credit facilities fully secured by deposits in the bank) ("Credit Facilities") in favor of said person exceeding at any time, individually or jointly, 25% of the total regulatory capital of the bank. Obligations to related parties (as such term is defined in the applicable regulations) that exceed (i) 5% of its total capital, in the case of unsecured transactions, and (ii) 10% of its total capital, in the case of secured transactions (other than loans secured by deposits in the bank), are prohibited.

Banks and banking groups (defined as the holding company and all direct and indirect subsidiaries of the holding company) are subject to inspection by the Superintendency of Banks, which must take place at least once every two years. The Superintendency of Banks is empowered to request from any bank or any company that belongs to the economic group of which a bank in Panama is a member, the documents and reports pertaining to its operations and activities. The Superintendency of Banks can assume the administrative and operating control of a bank, including possession of its assets and seizure of its management in order to defend the best interest of the bank's depositors and creditors, under any of the following grounds: (i) at the request of the bank; (ii) if the bank may not continue operations without endangering the interests of the depositors; (iii) as a consequence of the evaluation of an advisor's report; (iv) noncompliance with the measures ordered by the Superintendency of Banks; (v) if the bank carries out its operations in an illegal, negligent or fraudulent manner; (vi) if the bank has suspended payment of its obligations; and

(vii) if the Superintendency of Banks confirms that capital adequacy, solvency or liquidity of the bank has deteriorated in such a way as to require the Superintendency of Banks intervention. Upon expiration of the period of administrative control, the Superintendent will decide whether to proceed with the reorganization of the bank, the compulsory liquidation of the bank or the return of administrative and operating control to the directors or legal representatives of the bank, as the case may be.

The Superintendency of Banks of the Republic of Panama is also in charge of the supervision and oversight of the trust business, regulated by Law 1 of 1984, which set forth aspects such as minimum requirements of trust agreements, characteristics of trusts, rights and responsibilities of grantors, trustees and beneficiaries.

In 2017, the Panamanian Congress issued Law No.21 of 2017, which strengthens the oversight and regulation capabilities of the Superintendency of Banks, regarding the trust business. The Law imposes higher standards and provides for more detailed supervision, with respect to matters such as licensing, prudential regulation, corporate governance, reporting and customer protection, amongst others.

#### Other Regulations in Panama

Securities market activities in Panama are subject to the supervision, control and oversight of the Superintendency of the Securities Market. These activities are primarily regulated by Law Decree 1 of 1999, as amended by several laws, which established important changes in order to strengthen the regulatory framework of the Panamanian securities market and increase investors' confidence. Among the most important changes introduced by these recent amendments are the following:

- 1. The establishment of a coordination and cooperation system between the financial supervisors. This system also enables a more comprehensive supervision of financial conglomerates operating in multiple areas of the financial industry.
- 2. The establishment of the Superintendency of the Securities Market, as the supervising entity replacing the previous National Securities Commission.
- 3. The authority given to the Superintendency of the Securities Market to carry the consolidated supervision, as home supervisor, of intermediaries having agencies abroad, and to enter into cooperation agreements with foreign supervisors to facilitate the consolidated supervision.
- 4. The regulation of foreign currency exchange as a securities activity and the regulation of certain actors of the securities market, such as securities price suppliers, risk rating agencies and Administrative Service Suppliers of the securities market.

5. The introduction of provisions regarding clearing and settlement of securities and financial instruments, which will bring more stability and security to transactions;

6. The creation of new participants to promote over-the-counter transactions, such as entities acting as central counterparties, and infrastructure providers for the over-the-counter market.

The principal aspects of the securities business covered by the Law-Decree 1 of 1999 as amended, and the agreements and resolutions issued by the Superintendency of the Securities Market of the Republic of Panama are (i) licensing requirements of securities brokers, investment advisors, fund administrators and self-regulated organizations, (ii) registration requirements of risk rating agencies, securities price suppliers, securities, public offerings, funds and administrative service suppliers of the securities market, (iii) authorization for requesting voting powers regarding registered securities, (iv) notification requirements of public offerings for the acquisition of registered shares, (v) options, futures contracts and derivatives, (vi) custody, clearing and settlement of securities, (vii) penalization procedures and penalties, (viii) voluntary wind up, reorganization and bankruptcy of securities brokers, self-regulated organizations, funds, and fund administrators, (ix) reporting of issuers of registered securities, securities brokers, investment advisors, funds, fund administrators, self-regulated organization and other registered entities, (x) on-site inspection of securities brokers, investment advisors, self-regulated organizations, funds, fund administrators, administrative service suppliers of the securities market, securities price suppliers and rating agencies, (xi) capital requirements, liquidity requirements, risk assessment, confidentiality, conflict of interest, suitability, compliance and money laundering of securities brokers and (xii) communication of events of importance by issuers of registered securities.

Panama has also enacted a series of laws in order to prevent, detect and punish money-laundering activities. In Panama, anti-money laundering requirements are primarily regulated by (i) Executive Decree No. 136 of June 9, 1995, which created a Financial Analysis Unit ("UAF") for the Prevention of Money Laundering, and (ii) Law No. 23 of April 27, 2015 ("Law 23"), regulated by Executive Decree No. 363 of August 13, 2015, whereby banks and trust corporations, among other financial institutions, are required to perform their operations with due diligence and due care conducive to preventing said operations, to be performed with funds, or over funds, generated from activities related to money laundering.

Law 23 and Accord No. 7-2015 provide that the following entities are deemed to be "supervised entities" for purposes of money laundering, financing of terrorism or any other illicit activity: (i) banks; (ii) bank groups; (iii) trust corporations; (iv) leasing companies; (v) factoring companies; (vi) credit, debit or pre-paid card processing entities; (vii) companies engaged in remittances or wire transfers; and (viii) companies that provide any other service related to trust companies. These entities must take necessary measures to prevent their operations and/or transactions from being used for money laundering, financing of terrorism or any other illicit activity. Non-compliance with Law 23, or those dictated by the pertinent authorities of supervision of each activity for which there is no specific sanction established, is subject to fines ranging from US\$5,000 to US\$1,000,000.

Panama has also moved forward with the adoption of international standards on transparency and cooperation on tax matters, through the approval of the Inter-Governmental Agreement for the implementation of FATCA on 2016, the commitment regarding the automatic exchange of information on a bilateral basis and under the Common Reporting

Standard, beginning on September, 2018, and the ratification of the Multilateral Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance on Tax Matters on 2017. All of the above will enable the exchange of information for tax matters between the Panamanian tax authorities, and a broader set of countries to implement these commitments, regulations were adopted during the course of 2016 and 2017 setting forth the obligations and responsibilities of banking institutions, regarding due diligence procedures in order to identify reportable accounts under FATCA and CRS, as well as responsibilities regarding control measures and reporting requirements necessary to comply with such international standards and agreements. The laws, rules and regulations issued for these purposes include: Law No.47 of 2016, Law No.51 of 2016, Law No.5 of 2017, Executive Decree No.124 of 2017, Executive Decree No.461 of 2017 and the Resolution No.201-3931 of 2017 amended by Resolution No.201-4488 of 2017.

#### Financial Regulation in El Salvador

In 2011, Decree 592, entitled "Supervision and Regulation of the Financial System" (Ley de Supervisión y Regulación del Sistema Financiero) was enacted in order to strengthen the State's organization, adapting all supervision and regulatory institutions to the economic reality of the financial system. Decree 592 states that the Superintendency of the Financial System and the Central Reserve Bank of El Salvador are mandated to supervise all members of the financial system and to approve the necessary regulation for the adequate application of Decree 592.

Decree 592's main objectives are to maintain stability in the Salvadorian financial system, to guarantee efficiency, transparency, security and solidity within the system, and to bring all its members in compliance with this law, and other applicable laws and regulations, all in accordance with best international practices.

The Superintendency of the Financial System is responsible for the supervision of the individual and consolidated activities of all the members in the Salvadorian financial system, as well as the people, operations and entities described in the law. Decree 592 establishes all the powers and duties of the Superintendency, some of which are: (i) to fulfill and enforce the regulations applicable to the entities subject to its supervision and issue all the necessary instructions for compliance of the laws applicable to the system; (ii) to authorize the establishment, function, operation, intervention, suspension, modification, revocation of authorizations and closure of all members of the system, in accordance with regulations. In the event of closure, the Superintendency will coordinate with the entities involved the actions established by the law; (iii) risk prevention through the monitoring and management of the members within the system with a view toward the prudential management of liquidity and capital adequacy; (iv) facilitation of an efficient, transparent and organized financial system; (v) to require that all supervised entities and institutions be managed in accordance with the best international practices of risk management and corporate governance; and (vi) all other legal requirements.

In 2015, the Salvadorian congress amended Decree 592 in order to include within the scope of the supervision of the Superintendency of the Financial System all legal entities dedicated to the money transfer business. In 2016 another was amendment to Decree 592 was enacted in order to define the requirements that must be met by valuation experts when elaborating valuation reports in connection with guarantees of loans granted by financial entities.

#### **Banking Law of El Salvador**

On 1999, The Congress of the Republic of El Salvador enacted Decree 697, which regulates the financial intermediation activities and other operations performed by banks. Banks are required to establish the regulatory reserve requirements set by the Superintendency of the Financial System in accordance with the deposits and liabilities of each bank.

According to the Salvadorian Superintendency of Financial System's regulations, the reserve requirements for Salvadorian banks as of December 31, 2017 are:

## **Ordinary Reserve Requirements %**

Checking accounts 25%
Saving accounts 20%
Time deposits 20%
Borrowings from foreign banks 5%

*Long-term debt* (1) 15% - 20%

Checking accounts 25%

Investment Certificates with maturity equal or more than 5 years with mortgage guarantee, are not obliged to have reserves.

## **Monetary Integration Law of El Salvador**

The Monetary Integration Law adopted the U.S. dollar as the legal currency, establishing a fixed exchange rate of 8.75 Colones per USD 1.00. The colón continues to have unrestricted legal circulation, but the Central Reserve Bank has been replacing it with the U.S. dollar each time colón bills and coins are used in commercial transactions.

Since the implementation of the Monetary Integration Law, all financial operations, such as bank deposits, loans, pensions, securities offerings and any other activities performed through the financial system, as well as the accounting records, must be expressed in U.S. dollars. The operations or transactions of the financial system made or agreed in Colones before the effective date of the Monetary Integration Law are expressed in U.S. dollars at the exchange rate established in such law.

<sup>(1) 15%</sup> for long-term debt with maturity above one year and 20% for long-term debt with maturity less than one year.

#### **Financial Transactions Tax**

In 2014, the Congress the Republic of El Salvador enacted the "Financial Transactions Tax Law". Pursuant to the financial transactions tax law, financial entities act as withholding agents for the tax to be applied on financial transactions and of the liquidity control tax, each of which are calculated at the time the customer conducts financial transactions. The financial transactions tax is 0.25% on taxable transactions exceeding USD 1,000. The tax for liquidity control is 0.25% on cash transactions of deposit, withdrawals and payments in excess of a monthly aggregate amount of USD 5,000.

The transactions subject to the financial transactions tax are: (i) payments of goods and services by checking or debit card, (ii) payments by wire transfers, (iii) transfers to third parties by any means, and (iv) transactions between financial entities based on any statement of their customers. In December 2016, the aforementioned law was amended in order to exclude from its scope certain transactions executed in the Salvadorian stock market. Such amendment was enacted in order to stimulate investment in the local stock market.

#### **Investment Funds Law**

The investment funds law seeks to encourage economic activity by providing small investors with access to capital markets, diversification of their investments and channeling their savings into productive sectors, in order to generate higher economic growth.

This Law sets forth the regulatory framework for the supervision of investment funds, their share of participation and companies that administer such funds and their operations; as well as other participants to which it refers. Additionally, it regulates the marketing of participation shares in foreign investment funds.

This Law also provides for the creation of investment fund managers who are responsible for performing all acts, contracts and operations necessary for the administration and operation of investment funds.

In 2016, The Central Bank enacted Technical Standards ("Normas Técnicas") in order to apply this Law. Such technical standards include, standards regarding the investment funds permitted transactions, standards related to the disclosure of information, etc.

## **Financial Regulation in Guatemala**

Decree 16 of 2002 sets forth the scope of the activities of Banco de Guatemala in its capacity as Central Bank of the country, establishing as its fundamental purpose contributing to the creation and maintenance of the most favorable conditions for an orderly development of the national economy, for which it shall facilitate the monetary, foreign exchange and credit conditions that promote stability in general prices.

Pursuant to Decree 16 of 2002, the Guatemalan Central Bank's main objectives are to (i) be the national currency issuer, (ii) assure the effective functioning of the national payments system, (iii) assure an adequate liquidity level in the banking system, (iv) receive in deposit bank reserve requirements and statutory deposits, (v) manage international reserves.

Furthermore, Decree 16 of 2002 regulates the activities of the Monetary Board as governing body of the Central Bank and the Guatemalan financial system. Pursuant to Decree 16 of 2002, the Monetary Board has the following

attributions with respect to the Guatemalan financial system: (i) determine and assess the monetary, currency exchange and credit policies of the country; (ii) ensure liquidity and solvency of the national banking system; (iii) regulate aspects related to bank reserves and statutory deposits; (iv) regulate the Banking Clearing House Chamber; (v) authorize the investment policy of international monetary reserves; (vi) establish the minimum reserves required in order to strengthen the Central Bank's net worth; (vii) issue regulations with respect to the financial system and financial activities, and; (viii) approve any provisions or rules submitted for its consideration by the Superintendency of Banks or by the Central Bank, as applicable.

The Superintendency of Banks is created and regulated by Decree 18 of 2002. The Decree establishes the scope of the Superintendency's regulatory and supervisory activities within the financial system. Thus, the Superintendency of Banks is in charge of the supervision of entities such as the Central Bank, banks, financial corporations, credit institutions, bond entities, insurance entities, warehouse deposit companies, currency exchange offices, financial groups and holding companies of financial groups, and other entities as mentioned by law.

Pursuant to Decree 18 of 2002, the Superintendency of Banks, in order to achieve its purpose, shall exercise the following functions:

- Supervise financial entities so they can maintain adequate liquidity and solvency levels that enable them to timely and fully perform their obligations, and to assess and properly manage their risks
- b) Issue instructions intended to remediate any deficiencies or irregularities found in the activities of financial entities.
- c) Impose any applicable penalties and fines to financial institutions in accordance to applicable the laws and regulations.
  - Supervise and inspect with the broadest attributions all sources and systems of information of the supervised
- d) financial entities, including, but not limited to, accounting records, reports, contracts, documents and any other information the Superintendence deems necessary.
- Require information on any of the financial entities' activities, acts, trust operations and financial condition, either individually, or where appropriate, in a consolidated manner.
  - f) Perform its supervision activities on a consolidated basis.
- Assess risk policies, procedures, standards and systems of financial entities, and in general terms, ensure that they have integral risk management processes.
- h) Ensure overall and uniform compliance with the accounting standards, in compliance with the regulations issued for such purposes by the Monetary Board.
  - Ensure compliance with the regulations issued by the Monetary Board requiring financial entities to provide
- i) sufficient, trustworthy and timely information to the public on their activities and their financial situation, individually, and where applicable, in a consolidated manner.
- Publish sufficient, trustworthy and timely information on the financial situation of the financial entities subject to its supervision, either individually or in a consolidated manner.

The following are some of the main considerations taken into account by the Superintendency of Banks in determining compliance with applicable regulations:

Minimum Reserve Requirements: Banking institutions are subject to a minimum reserve requirement of 14.6% over the deposits received by the institution, which must be kept in the form of immediately available deposits with the Guatemalan Central Bank. To verify compliance with the regulation, banking institutions must provide the Superintendence of Banks with a daily report detailing the minimum reserve requirement.

Loan Loss Reserves: In accordance with limitations specified by the Banks and Financial Groups Law and regulations issued by the Monetary Board, banking institutions, financial service entities, offshore entities and other financial institutions must carry out quarterly delinquency assessments of their credit and record reserves based on estimates of non-recoverability. Banking institutions and financial corporations must provide to the

- Superintendence of Banks monthly reports concerning outstanding credits in effect and movements and appraisals of credit portfolios in accordance with criteria specified by the Monetary Board. Additionally, the Superintendence of Banks carries out on-site reviews in which it evaluates payment ability and payment fulfillment of debtors and requests the institutions to record that necessary reserves be based on the non-payment risk.
- Capital Requirements: As specified in regulations issued by the Monetary Board, banking institutions in Guatemala must have a minimum capital adequacy ratio (risk-weighted assets to equity) of 10%, which is consistent with the Basel I guidelines. Banks must submit a weekly report to the Superintendence of Banks for monitoring compliance with this requirement.
- Related Party Transactions: In its on-site reviews the Superintendence of Banks verifies that financial institutions d) are in compliance with Monetary Board regulations limiting transactions between related parties. Related parties may transact business with one another provided they do so in accordance with their normal standards of business.

In addition, when a bank has a deficit in its regulatory capital (*deficiencia patrimonial*), it must immediately report it to the Superintendence of Banks. The Monetary Board will immediately order the suspension of operations of a bank that has suspended payment of its obligations and has a deficit in regulatory capital that exceeds 50% of equity, or if it has not submitted to the Superintendence of Banks a recovery plan, or if such plan has been rejected or has not been complied with. In such a case, the Monetary Board will name an Assets and Liabilities Exclusion Board which will be responsible for suspending the obligations of the entity and closing its operations. If, after suspension of operations, the Board of Assets and Liabilities Exclusion reports to the Monetary Board that dissolution is inevitable, the Monetary Board must then instruct the Superintendence of Banks to request a judicial declaration of bankruptcy. Once bankruptcy proceedings commence, the Savings Protection Fund participates as the entity in charge of the recovery of depositor funds.

The Law for Banks and Financial Groups provides within a regularization plan, and if deemed convenient, at the discretion of the Monetary Board, limiting profit sharing for the shareholders of a bank as well as the possibility of incorporating a member to the Board of Directors.

Decree 19 of 2002 regulates the creation, organization, merging, activities, operations, functioning, suspension of operations and winding up of banks and financial entities, as well as the establishment and closure of branches and representation offices of foreign banks in Guatemala.

Decree 19 of 2002 also establishes that the members of the board of directors and general managers of the above-mentioned entities shall be held civilly, administrative and criminally accountable for the performance of their duties and, therefore, will respond unlimitedly with their personal assets with respect to liability for fines, damages

and other monetary sanctions, directors and general managers are subject to potentially unlimited personal liability.

This decree also allows financial entities to form financial groups or conglomerates under the common control of a holding entity or to designate one of the financial entities of the group as its holding company. The identification as a financial group does not entail that the financial group becomes a separate legal entity, rather, the purpose of such identification is to allow the Superintendency of Banks to perform its supervision tasks on a consolidated basis.

#### Other Regulations in Guatemala

Decree 94 of 2000 permits and regulates the use, transfer and payment in foreign currencies, as well as the use of foreign currency accounts and deposits within the Guatemalan financial system. Corporations and other entities that wish to offer securities denominated in foreign currencies must obtain prior authorization from the Monetary Board.

The Anti-Money Laundering Law (Ley Contra el Lavado de Dinero u Otros Activos) was enacted to prevent and control money laundering in connection with criminal activities. Regulations issued by the Superintendency of Banks in accordance with this law went into effect on April 26, 2002. Among other things, the law and regulations created the Financial Intelligence Unit within the Superintendence of Banks under the name of Special Verification Intendence (Intendencia de Verificación Especial – IVE). The Special Verification Intendence has been developing a national network for the prevention, control and surveillance of money-laundering activities. Penalties for non-compliance with anti-money laundering laws and regulations, which are set forth in the Superintendence of Banks Resolution 43-2002, include fines or jail time for bank directors or employees and the suspension or cancellation of a financial institution's license.

In August 2005, Guatemala's Congress approved Decree No. 58-2005 which contains the Law to Prevent and Repress Terrorism Financing. This law is based on the requirements and recommendations of the United Nation's International Convention for the suppression of Terrorism Financing, the UN's 1373 Resolution from the Security Council and the FATF 9 Special Recommendations. Approval of the Law to Prevent and Repress Terrorism Financing places Guatemala as the first country in Central America and second in Latin America to have specific legislation concerning terrorist financing. The law provides penalties such as seizure of assets, imprisonment or imposition of fines to any director, officer, stockholder or owner of financial entities found guilty of violating it.

C.	ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE					
The fo	ollowing are the subsidiaries of Bancolombia:					
(*) Investment in legal liquidation process.						
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The following is a list of subsidiaries of Bancolombia as of December 31, 2017:

# **SUBSIDIARIES**

Entity	Jurisdiction of Incorporation	Business	Shareholding Directly and Indirectly
Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria	Colombia	Trust	98.81%
Banca de Inversión Bancolombia S.A. Corporación Financiera	Colombia	Investment banking	100.00%
Valores Bancolombia S.A. Comisionista de Bolsa	Colombia	Securities brokerage	100.00%
Renting Colombia S.A.S. (Before Renting Colombia S.A.)	Colombia	Operating leasing	100.00%
Transportempo S.A.S.	Colombia	Transportation	100.00%
Valores Simesa S.A.	Colombia	Investments	68.57%
Inversiones CFNS S.A.S.	Colombia	Investments	99.94%
BIBA Inmobiliaria S.A.S.	Colombia	Real estate broker	100.00%
FCP Fondo Colombia Inmobiliario.	Colombia	Real estate broker	63.47%
Fideicomiso "Lote Abelardo Castro".	Colombia	Mercantil trust	68.23%
Bancolombia Panamá S.A.	Panama	Banking	100.00%
Sistemas de Inversiones y Negocios S.A. Sinesa	Panama	Investments	100.00%
Banagrícola S.A.	Panama	Holding	99.16%
Banistmo S.A.	Panama	Banking	100.00%
Banistmo Investment Corporation S.A.	Panama	Trust	100.00%
Financomer S.A.	Panama	Financial services	100.00%
Leasing Banistmo S.A.	Panama	Leasing	100.00%
Valores Banistmo S.A.	Panama	Purchase and sale of securities	100.00%
Suvalor Panamá Fondos de Inversión S.A.	Panama	Holding	100.00%
Suvalor Renta Fija Internacional Largo Plazo S.A.	Panama	Collective investment fund	100.00%
Suvalor Renta Fija Internacional Corto Plazo S.A.	Panama	Collective investment fund	100.00%
Banistmo Capital Markets Group Inc. (non-operational stag	e)Panama	Purchase and sale of securities	100.00%
Van Dyke Overseas Corp. (non-operational stage)	Panama	Real estate broker	100.00%
Inmobiliaria Bickford S.A. (non-operational stage)	Panama	Real estate broker	100.00%
Williamsburg International Corp. (non-operational stage)	Panama	Real estate broker	100.00%
Anavi Investment Corporation S.A. (non-operational stage)	Panama	Real estate broker	100.00%
Desarrollo de Oriente S.A. (non-operational stage)	Panama	Real estate broker	100.00%
Steens Enterpresies S.A. (non-operational stage)	Panama	Portfolio holder	100.00%
Ordway Holdings S.A. (non-operational stage)	Panama	Real estate broker	100.00%
Grupo Agromercantil Holding S.A.	Panama	Holding	60.00%
Banco Agrícola S.A.	El Salvador	Banking	97.36%

Credibac S.A. de C.V. El Salvador Credit card services 97.36% Valores Banagrícola S.A. de C.V. El Salvador Securities brokerage 98.89%	J
Inversiones Financieras Banco Agrícola S.A IFBA El Salvador Investments 98.89%	9
Gestora de Fondos de Inversión Banagricola S.A.  El Salvador  Administers investment funds  98.89%	, 9
Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C. (classified as assets held for sale)  Peru  Operating leasing 100.006	%
Fondo de Inversión en Arrendamiento Operativo - Renting Perú (In liquidation)  Peru Operating leasing 100.009	%
Capital Investments SAFI S.A. (classified as assets held for sale)  Peru  Trust  100.006	%
FiduPerú S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria (classified as assets held for sale)  Peru  Trust  98.81%	, 9

Entity	Jurisdiction of Incorporation	Business	Shareholding Directly and Indirectly
Leasing Perú S.A. (In liquidation)	Peru	Leasing	100.00%
Banagrícola Guatemala S.A.	Guatemala	Outsourcing	99.16%
Banco Agromercantil de Guatemala S.A.	Guatemala	Banking	60.00%
Seguros Agromercantil de Guatemala S.A.	Guatemala	Insurance company	59.17%
Financiera Agromercantil S.A.	Guatemala	Financial services	60.00%
Agrovalores S.A.	Guatemala	Securities brokerage	60.00%
Arrendadora Agromercantil S.A.	Guatemala	Operating Leasing	60.00%
Agencia de Seguros y Fianzas Agromercantil S.A.	Guatemala	Insurance company	60.00%
Asistencia y Ajustes S.A.	Guatemala	Services	60.00%
Serproba S.A.	Guatemala	Maintenance and remodelling services	60.00%
Servicios de Formalización S.A.	Guatemala	Loans formalization	60.00%
Conserjeria, Mantenimiento y Mensajería S.A.	Guatemala	Maintenance services	60.00%
Media Plus S.A.	Guatemala	Advertising and marketing	60.00%
Mercom Bank Ltd.	Barbados	Banking	60.00%
New Alma Enterprises Ltd.	Bahamas	investments	60.00%
Bancolombia Puerto Rico Internacional Inc.	Puerto Rico	Banking	100.00%
Bancolombia Caymán S.A.	Cayman Islands	s Banking	100.00%
Bagrícola Costa Rica S.A.	Costa Rica	Outsourcing	99.16%

#### D. PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT

As of December 31, 2017, the Bank owned COP 3,127 billion in premises and equipment (including assets that are part of our operating leasing business) COP 1,641 billion correspond to land and buildings, of which approximately 95.88% are used for administrative offices and branches in 55 municipalities in Colombia, 25 municipalities in El Salvador, 9 municipalities in Guatemala and 4 municipalities in Panama. Likewise, COP 783 billion correspond to computer equipment, of which 12.06% relate to the central computer and servers of the Bank and the rest relate to personal computers, ATMs, telecommunications equipment and other equipment. Additionally, COP 5 billion correspond to constructions in progress.

In addition to its own branches, the Bank occupies 957 rented offices.

The following table illustrates the carrying amounts of premises and equipment for each country as of December 31, 2017:

Country (1) Amount In millions of COP

Colombia 2,445,791

Costa Rica 80

El Salvador 277,976

Guatemala 165,804

Panamá 237,366

Puerto Rico 388

Total 3,127,405

(1) As of December 31, 2017, the Bank has premises and equipment classified as held for sale amounting to 109,469, related with its Peruvian operations.

The Bank does not have any liens on its property.

#### E. SELECTED STATISTICAL INFORMATION

The following information should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements as well as Item 5, "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects". This information has been prepared based on the Bank's financial records, which are prepared in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB and the related interpretations issued by the IFRIC.

The consolidated selected statistical information as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014 includes the selected statistical information of Bancolombia and its Subsidiaries, without reflecting any pro-forma calculation of the effect of the acquisition of the majority ownership of Grupo Agromercantil, while consolidated selected statistical information as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 and for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014, as applicable, corresponds to the Bank, including all Subsidiaries as to which Bancolombia acquired control as a result of the 2015 acquisition of additional shares of Grupo Agromercantil. Prior to January 1, 2014, our consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with Colombian Banking GAAP.

# $_{\rm E.1.}$ DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY; INTEREST RATES AND INTEREST DIFFERENTIAL

Average balances for each of the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 have been calculated as the arithmetic average of the last 13 monthly IFRS balances.

In addition, the interest rate subtotals are based on the weighted average of domestic and foreign assets and liabilities.

#### Average statement of financial position

The following tables show for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively: (i) average balances for all of the Bank's assets and liabilities; (ii) interest earned and interest paid amounts; and (iii) average nominal interest rates/yield for the Bank's interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities.

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	Average statement of financial position and Income from Interest-Earning Assets for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, <sup>(1)</sup>						the Fiscal	
	2017	December 3	1,(1)	2016			2015	
	2017	Interest		2010	Interest	Average		Interest
	Average	income	Average	Average	income	Yield /	Tivelage	Interest Average income Yield / Rate
	Balance	earned	Yield / Rate	Balance	earned	Rate	Balance	Yield / Rate earned
	In millions		ept percenta	ges	curricu	Ttute	Durance	curricu
ASSETS		01 001,011	opo por como	.8				
Interest-earning								
assets								
Funds sold and								
securities purchased								
under agreements to								
resell								
Domestic activities	1,164,612	57,071	4.9%	1,434,974	119,889	8.4%		74,2633%
Foreign activities	2,196,602	504	0.0%	1,905,163	41,113	2.2%		20,7153%
Total	3,361,214	57,575	1.7%	3,340,137	161,002	4.8%	2,774,603	94,984%
<b>Debt investments</b> (2)  Domestic activities	0.057.229	612.076	6.8%	7 114 209	101 216	6 90%	7 020 171	25221407
	9,057,238 5,390,576	612,076 247,655	4.6%	7,114,398 5,364,736	481,316 262,644	6.8% 4.9%	7,929,171 3,684,896	253318%
Foreign activities <b>Total</b>	14,447,814	<b>859,731</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	12,479,134	<b>743,960</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	3,064,890 <b>11,614,067</b>	*
Interest income on	14,447,014	057,751	0.0 /6	12,477,134	743,700	0.0 /6	11,014,007	30091270
loans and financial								
leases (3)								
Domestic activities	94,870,082	12,122,572	12.8%	87,289,606	11,494,684	13.2%	79,835,468	8,7 <b>B9.99</b> 8
Foreign activities	55,631,821	3,851,013	6.9%	57,291,045	3,815,489	6.7%	45,190,581	2, <b>526</b> , <b>%</b> 82
Total	150,501,903	15,973,585	10.6%	144,580,651	15,310,173	10.6%	125,026,04	9 11 <b>,2<i>01/,</i>7</b> 80
Total								
interest-earning								
assets								
Domestic activities	105,091,932			95,838,978				9,01607.23926
Foreign activities	63,218,999	4,099,172		64,560,944				2,65.6,%42
Total Total	168,310,931	16,890,891	10.0%	160,399,922	10,215,135	10.1%	139,414,71	9 11 <b>8.23</b> /538
non-interest-earning assets								
Domestic activities	16,254,108	_	_	15,656,149	_	_	10,050,646	
Foreign activities (4)	16,347,218		_	17,411,162		_	15,383,212	
Total	32,601,326		_	33,067,311		-	25,433,858	
<b>Total interest and</b>	, ,			, ,			, ,	
non-interest earning	S							
assets								
Domestic activities	121,346,040			111,495,127				9,0 <b>%2,%</b> 96
Foreign activities (4)	79,566,217			81,972,106				2,6 <b>5.6</b> ,%42
Total (5)	200,912,257	16,890,891	8.4%	193,467,233	16,215,135	8.4%	164,848,57	7 11 <i>7</i> 7. <b>23</b> 7,538

- The Bank average total assets and total liabilities and stockholder's equity were calculated considering the last 13 monthly IFRS balances.
- (2) Tax-exempt income of tax-exempt investment securities has not been calculated on a tax equivalent basis because the effect of such calculation would not be material.
- (3) Includes performing loans only.
- The percentage of total average assets attributable to foreign activities was 39.6%, 42.4% and 39.9% respectively, for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015.
  - As of December 31, 2016, and 2015 the Bank's total average assets includes the assets of the discontinued operations of Tuya S.A., as it was not practicable to exclude such assets when calculating monthly balances and the
- (5) resulting annual averages. The difference between the line "total" in the table above and the line "Total interest and valuation" is due to the fact that the Bank's Consolidated Statement of Income includes interest and valuation related to debt securities investments and derivatives.

	Average statement of financial position and Interest Paid on Interest-Bearing Liabilities for the								
	Fiscal Year Ended December 31, (1) 2017 2016 2015								
	2017	Avaraga			Avaraga	2015			
		Average Interest paid Bata (2)	Average Balance	Interest paid		Average Interest paid Balance	Average Yield / Rate		
		Rate (2)	nt norgantae	TOC	Rate (2)				
In millions of COP, except percentages									
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS'									
EQUITY	,								
Interest-bearing									
liabilities:									
Checking deposits									
Domestic activities	10,319,409	14,2 <b>9</b> 41%	10,960,605	15,175	0.1%	11,01374,75781	0.2%		
Foreign activities	10,173,663		10,511,089	•	0.4%	7,5386,00610	0.2%		
Total	20,493,072	*	21,471,694	•	0.3%	18,572,8652	0.2%		
Savings deposits	-, -,-	,	, ,	,		- ) ),			
Domestic activities	38,111,789	1,06 <b>2,83</b> 5	33,763,375	866,387	2.6%	30,95278,88076	1.7%		
Foreign activities	12,277,933		12,653,306		1.5%	9,8 <b>374865</b> 1	1.4%		
Total	50,389,722		46,416,681	1,058,800	2.3%	40,75750,5007	1.6%		
Time deposits									
Domestic activities	30,666,059	2,18 <b>2,0</b> %	27,813,915	2,128,861	7.7%	23, <b>2</b> 18 <b>3</b> 12 <b>32</b> 6 <b>7</b> 38	5.7%		
Foreign activities	24,242,926	781, <b>272</b> %	23,375,945	720,532	3.1%	18,9 <b>4443,9458</b>	2.3%		
Total	54,908,985	2,96 <b>3,487</b>	51,189,860	2,849,393	5.6%	42,22,9632,226	4.2%		
Funds purchased									
and securities sold									
under agreements									
to repurchase									
Domestic activities	4,109,470	175 <b>,9.3%</b>	2,514,533	130,912	5.2%	2,795 <b>,122384</b> 858	4.6%		
Foreign activities	845,370	5,05066%	529,575	6,492	1.2%	450,7 <b>3</b> , <b>3</b> 27	0.7%		
Total	4,954,840	180, <b>316%</b>	3,044,108	137,404	4.5%	3,245,19824185	4.1%		
Borrowings from									
development and									
other domestic									
banks (2)	<b>.</b> 0.66 <b></b> 0.6	2015152	<b>7.00</b> 0.010			1.6004@@04.#6	• • •		
Domestic activities	5,066,726	391 <b>,747%</b>	5,228,949	232,899	4.5%	4,603,19802,156	2.8%		
Foreign activities	683,451	34,3500%	598,092	17,232	2.9%	270,20,\$475	2.8%		
Total	5,750,177	425 <b>,71.4%</b>	5,827,041	250,131	4.3%	4,87411877631	2.8%		
Interbank									
borrowings <sup>(2)(3)</sup> Domestic activities		- 0.0%			0.0%		0.0%		
	10,779,261		14,004,249	- 207 178	2.2%	10,50 <b>28325</b> 55	1.7%		
Foreign activities  Total	10,779,261 10,779,261		14,004,249 14,004,249	307,178 307,178	2.2% 2.2%	10,502\$22\$55	1.7% 1.7%		
Long-term debt	10,779,401	210, <b>LW</b> 70	17,007,477	307,170	4.4 /0	10,30 <b>14,43</b> 33	1.7 /0		
Domestic activities	5,803,401	476, <b>082</b> 0%	5,885,689	613,321	10.4%	5,907 <b>4505</b> 1168	8.4%		
Foreign activities	13,435,824	•	13,556,293	738,827	5.5%	10,73 <b>58079</b> 14	5.4%		
Total	19,239,225	•	19,441,982		<b>7.0%</b>	16,64 <b>2,689</b> ,482	6.5%		

Total interest-bearing liabilities						
Domestic activities	94,076,854	4,304161220	86,167,066 3,987,555	5 4.6%	78,56 <b>2,620</b> ,504	3.3%
Foreign activities		, ,	75,228,549 2,025,14		58,27 <b>8,926</b> ,330	2.4%
Total	166,515,282				136,84,2,99,534	2.9%
Total non-interest	100,515,202	0,524,140	101,575,015 0,012,702	3.7 /0	130,00,41,934	2.7 /0
bearing liabilities						
Domestic activities	8,965,995		8,541,148 -	_	5,744,793	_
Foreign activities (4)	, ,		2,657,346 -	_	3,366,523	_
Total	11,353,899		11,198,494 -	_	9,111 <b>,316</b>	_
Stockholders'	11,555,077		11,170,474		>,111,510	
equity						
Domestic activities	18,743,416		15,715,483 -	_	15,512,136	_
Foreign activities	4,299,659		5,157,640 -	_	3,344,666	_
Total	23,043,075		20,873,123 -	_	18,856,802	_
Total interest and	20,040,070		20,073,123		10,050,002	
non-interest bearing liabilities and stockholders' equity <sup>(4)</sup>						

Average statement of financial position and Interest Paid on Interest-Bearing Liabilities for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, (1)

2017		2016			2015	
~	Interest Average Y paid Rate (2)	Tield Average Balance	Interest paid	Average Yield / Rate (2)	Average Interest paid Balance	Average Yield / Rate
In millions of Co	OP, except percen	tages				
Domestic 121,786,265 activities	4,304 <b>,3.20</b> %	110,423,697	3,987,555	3.6%	99,820, <b>2,162</b> 3,504	2.6%
Foreign activiti∂9,125,991	2,051 <b>,20.69</b> %	83,043,535	2,025,147	2.4%	64,990,1,3476,330	2.1%
Total 200,912,256	6,355 <b>,1.2</b> %	193,467,232	6,012,702	3.1%	164,810,5889,834	2.4%

The Bank average of total assets and total liabilities and stockholder's equity were calculated considering the last 13 monthly IFRS balances.

### CHANGES IN NET INTEREST INCOME AND EXPENSES—VOLUME AND RATE ANALYSIS

The following table allocates, for domestic and foreign activities, changes in the Bank's net interest income to changes in average volume, changes in nominal rates and the net variance caused by changes in both average volume and nominal rate for the year ended December 31, 2017 compared to the year ended December 31, 2016; and the year ended December 31, 2016, compared to the year ended December 31, 2015. Volume and rate variances have been calculated based on movements in average balances over the period and changes in nominal interest rates on average interest-earning assets and average interest-bearing liabilities. Net changes attributable to changes in both volume and interest rate have been allocated to the change due to changes in volume.

December 3	1, 2017-		December 31,	2016-		
December 31, 2016			December 31, 2015			
Increase (De	ecrease) d	lue to	Increase (Decr	ease) due to		
changes in:			changes in:			
Volume	Rate	Net Chan	Volume Rate	Net Change		

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes both short-term and long-term borrowings.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes borrowings from banks located outside Colombia.

The percentage of total average liabilities attributable to foreign activities was 42.1%, 45.1% and 42.2% respectively, for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015.

As of December 31, 2016, and 2015 the Bank's total average liabilities and stockholder's equity includes the liabilities and stockholder's equity of the discontinued operation.

## In millions of COP

# **Interest-earning assets**

# Funds sold and securities purchased under agreements

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(19,665)	(43,153)(62,818)	16,002	24,392 40,394
7,427	(48,036) (40,609)	4,049	13,648 17,697
(12,238)	(91,189) (103,427	<sup>'</sup> )20,051	38,040 58,091
131,294	(534) 130,760	(26,014)	283,277 257,263
1,272	(16,261)(14,989)	51,791	66,795 118,586
132,566	(16,795) 115,771	25,777	350,072 375,849
953,302	(325,414)627,888	816,043	1,773,09 <b>2</b> ,589,135
(98,435)	133,959 35,524	675,245	487,8361,163,081
854,867	(191,455)63,412	1,491,288	2,260,928,752,216
1,064,931	(369,101),95,830	806,031	2,080,762,886,792
(89,736)	69,662 (20,074)	731,085	568,279 1,299,364
	7,427 (12,238) 131,294 1,272 132,566 953,302 (98,435) 854,867 1,064,931	7,427 (48,036) (40,609) (12,238) (91,189) (103,427) 131,294 (534) 130,760 1,272 (16,261) (14,989) 132,566 (16,795) 115,771 953,302 (325,414627,888 (98,435) 133,959 35,524	7,427 (48,036) (40,609) 4,049 (12,238) (91,189) (103,427)20,051  131,294 (534) 130,760 (26,014) 1,272 (16,261) (14,989) 51,791 132,566 (16,795) 115,771 25,777  953,302 (325,414627,888 816,043 (98,435) 133,959 35,524 675,245 854,867 (191,455663,412 1,491,288 1,064,931 (369,101695,830 806,031

	31, 2010 Increase (Decrease) due to		December 31, 2016- December 31, 2015 Increase (Decrease) due to changes in			
	Volume	Rate	Net Change	Volume	Rate	<b>Net Change</b>
		ns of COP				
Total	975,195	(299,439)	675,756	1,537,116	2,649,040	4,186,156
Interest-bearing liabilities: Checking deposits						
Domestic activities	(884)	(57)	(941)	(119)	(2,501)	(2,620)
Foreign activities	(1,329)	(4,565)	(5,894)	6,334	14,400	20,734
Total	(2,213)	(4,622)	(6,835)	6,215	11,899	18,114
Savings deposits	(=,=10)	(1,022)	(0,000)	0,210	11,0>>	10,111
Domestic activities	117,432	80,616	198,048	48,296	265,076	313,372
Foreign activities	(5,429)	13,797	8,368	40,674	7,486	48,160
Total	112,003	94,413	206,416	<b>88,970</b>	272,562	<b>361,532</b>
Time deposits	112,005	74,413	200,410	00,270	272,302	301,332
Domestic activities	169,358	(116,208)	53 150	257,315	459,434	716,749
Foreign activities	27,270	33,474	60,744	103,726	140,465	244,191
Total	196,628	(82,734)	113,894	<b>361,041</b>	<b>599,899</b>	960,940
Funds purchased and securities sold	170,020	(02,134)	113,074	301,041	377,077	700,740
under agreements to repurchase						
Domestic activities	62,524	(17,525)	44,999	(12,940)	16,668	3,728
Foreign activities	(10,181)	8,745	(1,436)	582	2,198	2,780
Total	52,343	-	<b>43,563</b>	(12,358)	18,866	<b>6,508</b>
	•	(8,780)	43,303	(12,336)	10,000	0,500
Borrowings from development and othe domestic banks	;I					
	(6.001)	165 5/11	150 550	17 669	74 007	02 575
Domestic activities	(6,991)	165,541	158,550	17,668	74,907	92,575
Foreign activities	2,753	14,315	17,068	9,071	310	9,381
Total	(4,238)	179,856	175,618	26,739	75,217	101,956
Interbank borrowings						
Domestic activities	(100.045)	-	(20,071)	- (1.200	46.007	100.015
Foreign activities	(123,845)		(29,071)	61,208	46,807	108,015
Total	(123,845)	94,774	(29,071)	61,208	46,807	108,015
Long-term debt	(0.460)	(1.20.550)	(107.041)	(1.000)	100 106	110.500
Domestic-activities	(8,462)		(137,241)	(1,828)	120,426	118,598
Foreign-activities	(6,523)		(23,907)	152,508	4,755	157,263
Total	(14,985)	(146,163)	(161,148)	150,680	125,181	275,861
Total interest-bearing liabilities	222 2==	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	046 #5=	200.535	004610	4 0 40 40 5
Domestic-activities	332,977	. , ,	316,565	308,392	934,010	1,242,402
Foreign-activities	(117,284)		25,872	374,103	216,421	590,524
Total	215,693	126,744	342,437	682,495	1,150,431	1,832,926

(1) Tax-exempt income of tax-exempt investment securities has not been calculated on a tax equivalent basis because the effect of such calculation would not be material.

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### INTEREST-EARNING ASSETS — NET INTEREST MARGIN AND SPREAD

The following table presents the levels of average interest-earning assets and net interest income of the Bank and illustrates the comparative net interest margin and interest spread obtained for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

	Interest-Earning Assets-Yield For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31,			
	2017	2016	2015	
	In millions of	COP, except p	ercentages	
Total average interest-earning assets				
Domestic activities	105,091,932	95,838,978	88,945,146	
Foreign activities	63,218,999	64,560,944	50,469,573	
Total	168,310,931	160,399,922	139,414,719	
Net interest income (1)				
Domestic activities	8,487,599	8,108,334	6,443,892	
Foreign activities	2,048,153	2,094,099	1,279,812	
Total	10,535,752	10,202,433	7,723,704	
Average yield on interest-earning assets	3			
Domestic activities	12.17%	12.62%	10.19%	
Foreign activities	6.48%	6.38%	5.26%	
Total	10.04%	10.11%	8.41%	
Net interest margin (2)				
Domestic activities	8.08%	8.46%	7.24%	
Foreign activities	3.24%	3.24%	2.54%	
Total	6.26%	6.36%	5.54%	
Interest spread (3)				
Domestic activities	7.60%	7.99%	6.86%	
Foreign activities	3.65%	3.69%	2.90%	
Total	6.22%	6.38%	5.49%	

E.2. INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

<sup>(1)</sup> Net interest income is loan interest income less interest expense and includes interest earned on investments.

<sup>(2)</sup> Net interest margin is net interest income divided by total average interest-earning assets.

Interest spread is the difference between the average yield on interest-earning assets and the average rate accrued on interest-bearing liabilities.

The Bank acquires and holds investment securities, including fixed income debt and equity securities, for liquidity and other strategic purposes, or when it is required by law.

International Financial Reporting Standard 9 (IFRS 9) requires investments to be classified as either amortized cost or fair value. The classification is based on: (a) the entity's business model for managing the financial assets, and (b) the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset. Accordingly, an investment is classified and measured as amortized cost if: (i) the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets in order to collect contractual cash flows and (ii) the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Indicators that the financial asset is impaired include historical performance data, particular characteristics of the borrower, fair value of collateral, the borrower's debt to other entities, macroeconomic factors and financial information, a significant financial difficulty of the customers, or if they are likely to declare bankruptcy or financial restructuring, or if there is a breach of contract, such as a default or delinquency in interest or principal payments.

For purposes of measurement and recognition of impairment in subsidiaries, affiliates, associates and joint ventures in separated financial statements, the controlled companies apply the impairment test in accordance with IAS 36 once indicators of impairment from IAS 39 are identified.

As of December 31, 2017, Bancolombia's debt securities investment portfolio had a carrying value of COP 14,859 billion.

The following table sets forth the carrying value of the Bank's investments in Colombian Government and foreign Governments and corporate securities and certain other financial investments as of the dates indicated <sup>(1)</sup>.

	As of December 31,		
	2017 (2)	2016 (2)	<b>2015</b> <sup>(2)</sup>
	In million	s of COP	
Foreign currency-denominated			
Securities issued by foreign Governments	3,522,849	3,413,867	4,443,307
Securities issued or secured by other financial entities	641,305	615,299	905,171
Securities issued or secured by Colombian Government	69,602	263,275	188,618
Securities issued or secured by the El Salvador Central Bank	-	-	43,913
Securities issued or secured by Government entities	26,377	12,376	9,997
Corporate bonds	1,000,794	480,713	531,044
Subtotal	5,260,927	4,785,530	6,122,050
Peso-denominated			
Securities issued or secured by other financial entities	636,902	666,592	838,769
Securities issued or secured by the Colombian Government	6,946,510	4,640,877	4,644,051
Securities issued or secured by Government entities	1,936,215	1,532,312	1,475,055
Corporate bonds	78,869	47,170	33,218
Subtotal (3)	9,598,496	6,886,951	6,991,093
Total	14,859,423	<b>311,672,48</b> 1	113,113,143

For further information, see Note 5 "Financial assets investments and derivatives" to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

As of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, Bancolombia held securities issued by foreign Governments in the following amounts:

Includes debt securities only. Net investments in equity securities were COP 1,517,830 COP 1,388,172 million and COP 1,164,681 million for 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

As of December 31, 2015, Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A. a discontinued operation, had debt securities (3) amounting to COP 30,271 million, which were classified in 'Securities issued or secured by Government entities' item.

As of Docombon 21	Igguan	Investment Amount-Book	Investment Amount-Book Value
As of December 31	, issuer	Value - (In millions of COP)	(thousands of U.S. dollars) $^{(1)}$
2017	Republic of Guatemala	1,462,363	490,068
	Republic of Panama	958,553	321,231
	U.S. Treasury	701,551	235,104
	Republic of Mexico	22,095	7,404
	Republic of Costa Rica	87,800	29,424
	Republic of El Salvador	290,487	97,348
2016	Republic of Guatemala	1,428,338	476,000
	Republic of Panama	818,988	272,931
	U.S. Treasury	319,967	106,630
	Republic of Mexico	197,162	65,705
	Republic of Costa Rica	47,575	15,855
	Republic of El Salvador	569,479	189,781
	Republic of Brazil	32,358	10,784
2015	Republic of Guatemala	1,670,390	530,372
	Republic of Panama	923,470	293,214
	U.S. Treasury	523,707	166,284
	Republic of Mexico	479,304	152,186
	Republic of Costa Rica	123,196	39,117
	Republic of El Salvador	688,522	218,615
	Republic of Brazil	34,718	11,023

These amounts have been translated at the rate of COP 2,984.00 per USD 1.00 at December 31, 2017, COP (1)3,000.71 per USD 1.00 at December 31, 2016 and COP 3,149.47 per USD 1.00 at December 31, 2015, which corresponds to the Representative Market Rate calculated on December 31, the last business day of the year.

As of December 31, 2017, the Bank's peso-denominated debt securities portfolio amounted to COP 9,598 billion, reflecting a 39.37% increase compared to December 31, 2016 because a surge in positions of Securities issued or secured by the Colombian Government and Government entities. Peso-denominated debt securities issued by the Colombian government represented 72.37% of the Bank's peso-denominated debt securities portfolio as of December 31, 2017.

Also, as of December 31, 2017, Bancolombia's portfolio of securities issued by foreign governments amounted to COP 3,522 billion, a 3.19% increase compared to December 31, 2016 as a consequence of a rise in the Bank's position in U.S. Treasury, Costa Rica and U.S. Guatemala.

## INVESTMENT SECURITIES PORTFOLIO MATURITY

The following table summarizes the maturities and weighted average nominal yields of the Bank's investment securities as of December 31, 2017:

As of December 31, 201	Maturity less than 1 year	Maturity between 1 and 5 years	Maturity and 10 Y	between 5 ears	Maturity more than 10 years	Total	
	Balance Yield %(1)	Balance Yield %(1)	Balance	Yield %(1	Balance Yield %(1	) Balance	Yield %(1)
In millions of COP, exc Securities issued or secured by:	cept yields						
Foreign currencydenominated (2):	ı						
Foreign Governments		% 1,744,37 <b>3</b> .34°		2.19%	90,479 0.32%	3,522,849	
Other financial entities Colombian Government	•	% 213,885 3.38°		3.43%	205,027 -	641,306	2.20%
Other Government	-	42,016 4.339	•	3.30%		69,601	3.92%
entities		24,137 3.949	% 2,241	7.59%		26,378	4.25%
Corporate bonds	28,020 2.559	% 177,116 5.52°	% 732,182	4.73%	63,476 5.13%	1,000,794	4.83%
Subtotal	1,437,374.24	% 2,201,52 <b>7</b> .75	% 1,263,04	53.71%	358,9820.99%	5,260,928	2.99%
Securities issued or							
secured by Peso-denominated <sup>(2)</sup>							
Other financial entities	60 730 6 069	% 288,219 7.46°	% 247 966	10.68%	30,977 9.42%	636,901	8.75%
Colombian Government	·	% 4,429,39 <b>3</b> .29		5.89%	100,7646.62%	6,941,150	
Other Government entities	, ,	% 14,825 6.89°	•	10.28%		1,936,214	
Corporate bonds		% 24,960 6.27°		7.50%	9,800 8.24%	78,869	6.73%
Subtotal	4,187,8211.14	% 4,757,39 <b>%</b> .44°	% 506,375	8.27%	141,5417.34%	9,593,134	5.05%
Securities issued or							
secured by UVR-denominated (2)							
Colombian Government		5,361 3.129	% -	_		5,361	3.12%
Subtotal		5,361 3.12		-		5,361	3.12%
Total (COP)	5,625,195	6,964,285	1,769,420	0	500,523	14,859,42	3

- $^{(1)}$  Yield was calculated using the internal rate of return (IRR) as of December 31, 2017.
- (2) Yields on tax-exempt obligations have not been calculated on a tax equivalent basis because the effect of such calculation would not be material.

As of December 31, 2017, the Bank had the following investments in securities of issuers that exceeded 10% of the Bank's equity:

As of December 31,
2017
Securities issued or secured by: Issuer
Book Value Fair value
In millions of COP

 Colombian Government
 Ministry of Finance 7,016,112
 7,016,112

 Total
 7,016,112
 7,016,112

E.3. LOAN PORTFOLIO

## **Types of Loans**

The following table shows the Bank's loan portfolio classified into corporate, retail (including small and medium enterprise loans), financial leases and mortgage loans:

	As of December 31,			
	2017 In millions	2016 of COP	2015	2014
Domestic		01 001		
Corporate (1)				
Trade financing	3,806,417	3,479,077	3,380,106	2,896,799
Loans funded by development banks	1,738,950	1,861,669	1,306,888	703,152
Working capital loans	43,087,893	41,432,921	42,632,934	36,157,009
Credit cards	105,505	65,852	54,694	47,197
Overdrafts	151,804	121,555	126,888	67,060
Total corporate	48,890,569	46,961,074	47,501,510	39,871,217
Retail (1)				
Credit cards	5,085,713	4,277,498	3,629,539	4,831,945
Personal loans	10,967,770	8,552,243	7,104,076	6,568,264
Vehicle loans	2,533,815	2,553,815	2,517,925	2,477,992
Overdrafts	223,981	226,575	203,439	210,283
Loans funded by development banks	957,577	1,033,879	884,490	783,610
Trade financing	537,205	404,481	372,339	424,596
Working capital loans	15,344,502	14,342,558	13,078,764	11,909,314
Total retail	35,650,563	31,391,049	27,790,572	27,206,004
Financial Leases	21,728,901	20,685,823	19,898,665	17,197,752
Mortgage	10,987,580	10,170,163	8,712,892	7,353,372

Total loans and leases	117,257,613	3109,208,109	9103,903,639	991,628,345
Allowance for loans and advances and lease losses	(7,305,563)	(5,529,506)	(4,312,564)	(4,028,866)
Total domestic loans, net	109,952,050	0103,678,603	399,591,075	87,599,479
Foreign				
Corporate (1)				
Trade financing	16,414,186	15,474,410	15,192,611	6,248,364
Loans funded by development banks	7,731	9,375	12,576	6,162
Working capital loans	7,669,064	8,409,213	8,793,603	6,188,503
Credit cards	52,020	38,596	25,748	9,978
Overdrafts	7,135	9,232	6,661	7,140
Total corporate	24,150,136	23,940,826	24,031,199	12,460,147
Retail (1)				
Credit cards	1,651,333	1,582,942	1,429,351	746,691
Personal loans	6,348,860	6,242,800	6,106,241	4,134,873
Vehicle loans	477,900	595,399	637,047	373,478
Overdrafts	68,610	64,085	74,492	53,213
Loans funded by development banks	66,320	77,284	66,149	41,242
Trade financing	345,433	312,542	242,403	128,668
Working capital loans	57,211	79,710	71,316	45,246
Total retail	9,015,667	8,954,762	8,626,999	5,523,411
Financial Leases	520,050	658,100	652,911	367,477
Mortgage	9,524,628	8,985,689	8,405,891	5,194,273

As of December 31,

2017 2016 2015 2014

In millions of COP

Total loans and leases 43,210,481 42,539,377 41,717,000 23,545,308

Allowance for loans and advances and lease losses (917,540) (1,092,405) (936,191) (760,391)

Total foreign loans, net 42,292,941 41,446,972 40,780,809 22,784,917

Total Foreign and Domestic Loans 152,244,991145,125,575140,371,884110,384,396

Corporate loans in this table are lower than the balances presented in Note 6 to Consolidated Financial Statements as Commercial loans in COP 15,956,536 and COP 15,357,808, as of 31 December 2017 and 2016, respectively. These amounts are presented as Retail loans in this table. Similarly, Retail loans also include the amounts presented in Note 6 to Consolidated Financial Statements as Small Business Loans for COP 1,063,580 and COP 1,062,724 and Consumer loans for COP 27,646,114 and COP 23,925,279 as of 31 December 2017 and 2016, respectively.

This difference in presentation is because loans are aggregated for marketing and selling purposes in a different way than they are aggregated for risk management purposes. Types of loans in this section follow the marketing and selling aggregation, whereas Note 6 to Consolidated Financial Statements follows risk management aggregation.

As of December 31, 2017, the Bank's total loan portfolio amounted to COP 160,468 billion, up 5.75% as compared to COP 151,747 billion in 2016. The moderate growth in loan volume during 2017 is explained by the macroeconomic conditions presented during the year, especially in the first half. For further discussion of some of these trends, please see Item 5. "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects-D. Trend information".

As of December 31, 2017, corporate loans amounted to COP 73,041 billion, or 45.52% of loans, and increased 3.02% from COP 70,902 billion at the end 2016. Such change is the result of the net effect between an increase in disbursements and prepayments made by corporate borrowers who refinanced debt using the capital markets.

As of December 31, 2017, retail loans totaled COP 44,666 billion, or 27.83% of total loans, of which COP 17,317 billion were personal loans (10.79% of total loans). Retail loans increased 17.04% over the year as a result of the downward trend in interest rates which led to an increase in household borrowing.

Total corporate and retail loans amounted to COP 117,707 billion at December 31, 2017. These loan categories correspond to the portfolio categories described in the consolidated financial statements as commercial, consumer and small business loans portfolio, which amounted to COP 88,997 billion, COP 27,646 billion and COP 1,064 billion,

respectively, as of December 31, 2017. The difference between the two presentations is mainly explained by the allocation of credit cards, working capital loans and overdrafts. These products are considered as corporate loans from the salesforce's point of view, but are considered as part of one of the three different portfolios for purposes of the impairment assessment.

Financial leases totaled COP 22,249 billion as of December 31, 2017, up 4.24% from COP 21,344 billion in 2016.

As of December 31, 2017, mortgage loans totaled COP 20,512 billion and increased 7.08% over the year. This growth is explained by the slowdown in housing prices which means that a lower rate of housing prices increased, accompanied by the downward trend in interest rates during 2017.

#### **Borrowing Relationships**

As of December 31, 2017, the aggregate outstanding principal amount of the Bank's 25 largest credit exposures, on a consolidated basis, represented approximately 8.88% of the loan portfolio of the Bank and no single exposure represented more than 2% of the loan book. In addition, 100% of those loans were corporate loans.

## **Maturity and Interest Rate Sensitivity of Loans**

The following table shows the maturities of the Bank's loan portfolio as of December 31, 2017:

	Maturity of one year or less In millions of C	to five years	Maturity of more than five years	Total
Domestic loans and financial leases				
Corporate				
Trade financing	3,597,785	130,587	78,045	3,806,417
Loans funded by development banks	7,870	383,700	1,347,380	1,738,950
Working capital loans	10,391,593	15,169,995	17,526,305	43,087,893
Credit cards	43,178	30,684	31,643	105,505
Overdrafts	151,804	-	-	151,804
Total corporate	14,192,230	15,714,966	18,983,373	48,890,569
Retail				
Credit cards	427,398	2,502,554	2,155,761	5,085,713
Personal loans	246,843	8,828,029	1,892,898	10,967,770
Vehicle loans	60,782	1,852,228	620,805	2,533,815
Overdrafts	223,981	-	-	223,981
Loans funded by development banks	86,436	544,538	326,603	957,577
Trade financing	532,205	594	4,406	537,205
Working capital loans	3,754,254	8,623,773	2,966,475	15,344,502
Total retail	5,331,899	22,351,716	7,966,948	35,650,563
Financial leases	3,087,015	5,824,546	12,817,340	21,728,901
Mortgage	44,464	383,561	10,559,555	10,987,580
Total domestic loans and financial leases	22,655,608	44,274,789	50,327,216	117,257,613
Foreign loans and financial leases:				
Corporate				
Trade financing	5,131,223	6,893,516	4,389,447	16,414,186
Loans funded by development banks	90	1,926	5,715	7,731
Working capital loans	2,795,106	1,975,275	2,898,683	7,669,064
Credit cards	58	42,949	9,013	52,020
Overdrafts	7,135	-	-	7,135
Total corporate	7,933,612	8,913,666	7,302,858	24,150,136
Retail				
Credit cards	375,626	1,066,992	208,715	1,651,333
Personal loans	234,245	2,030,934	4,083,681	6,348,860
Vehicle loans	7,914	462,162	7,824	477,900
Overdrafts	68,554	56	-	68,610
Loans funded by development banks	207	13,739	52,374	66,320
Trade financing	78,862	110,011	156,560	345,433
Working capital loans	44,239	5,986	6,986	57,211

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Total retail	809,647	3,689,880	4,516,140	9,015,667
Financial leases	14,329	420,218	85,503	520,050
Mortgage	5,638	154,746	9,364,244	9,524,628
Total foreign loans and financial leases	8,763,226	13,178,510	21,268,745	43,210,481
Total loans	31,418,834	57,453,299	71,595,961	160,468,094

In general, the term of a loan will depend on the type of guarantee or collateral, the credit history of the borrower and the purpose of the loan. As of December 31, 2017, 55.38% of the Bank's loan portfolio has a maturity of five years or less.

#### Loans interest rate sensitivity

The following table shows the interest rate sensitivity of the Bank's loan portfolio due after one year and within one year or less as of December 31, 2017:

As of December 31,	2017
In millions of COP	

Loans with tern	ı of 1	year o	or more:
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Variable	Rate
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Total	88,493,943
Foreign-denominated	21,247,403
Domestic-denominated	67,246,540

**Fixed Rate** 

27,355,465 Domestic-denominated Foreign-denominated 13,199,852 **Total** 40,555,317

Loans with term of less than 1 year:

Domestic-denominated 22,655,608 Foreign-denominated 8,763,226 **Total** 31,418,834 **Total loans** 160,468,094

#### **Loans by Economic Activity**

The following table summarizes the Bank's loan portfolio, for the periods indicated, by the principal activity of the borrower using the primary Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes:

As of Dec	cember 31,
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% 2017 2016 % 2015 % 2014 %

In millions of COP, except percentages

**Domestic** 

3,533,671 3.0% 3,360,479 3.1% 4,330,757 4.2% 4,030,994 4.4% Agricultural

Mining products and oil	909,127	0.8%	1,670,126	1.5%	1,791,910	1.7%	2,559,701	2.8%
Food, beverage and tobacco	5,640,910	4.8%	4,992,305	4.6%	5,141,738	5.0%	4,148,724	4.5%
Chemical production	3,341,248	2.9%	3,184,196	2.9%	2,871,547	2.8%	3,028,095	3.3%
Government	3,780,686	3.2%	3,426,089	3.1%	3,131,339	3.0%	2,030,749	2.2%
Construction	15,464,605	513.2%	14,122,163	12.9%	14,577,061	14.0%	11,515,240	12.6%
Trade and tourism	17,115,018	314.6%	15,953,310	14.6%	14,934,712	214.4%	13,380,359	14.6%
Transportation and communications	8,307,712	7.1%	7,484,105	6.9%	8,189,789	7.9%	5,200,661	5.7%
Public services	5,180,634	4.4%	5,013,469	4.6%	4,881,297	4.7%	4,832,527	5.3%
Consumer services	31,367,376	526.7%	28,673,632	26.3%	22,439,817	21.6%	21,109,019	23.0%

	As of December 31,									
	2017	<b>%</b>	2016	<b>%</b>	2015	<b>%</b>	2014	<b>%</b>		
In millions of COP, except percentages										
Commercial services	16,248,665	13.9%	15,186,857	13.9%	15,956,430	15.3%	14,299,832	15.6		
Other industrial and manufacturing products	6,367,961	5.4%	6,141,378	5.6%	5,657,242	5.4%	5,492,444	6.0%		
Total domestic loans	117,257,613	3100.0%	109,208,109	9100.0%	103,903,639	9100.0%	91,628,345	100.		
Foreign										
Agricultural	2,171,525	5.0%	2,210,219	5.2%	1,942,147	4.7%	752,267	3.2%		
Mining products and oil	65,991	0.2%	96,463	0.3%	355,825	0.9%	501,236	2.1%		
Food, beverage and tobacco	808,493	1.9%	556,798	1.3%	330,038	0.8%	323,446	1.4%		
Chemical production	172,763	0.4%	218,010	0.5%	331,651	0.8%	109,137	0.5%		
Government	151,879	0.3%	204,429	0.5%	668,463	1.6%	309,947	1.3%		
Construction	5,164,321	12.0%	4,496,434	10.6%	5,424,291	13.0%	3,609,264	15.3		
Trade and tourism	6,520,546	15.1%	6,056,928	14.2%	5,833,248	14.0%	3,362,533	14.3		
Transportation and communications	602,962	1.4%	740,379	1.7%	1,588,048	3.8%	716,974	3.1%		
Public services	2,472,215	5.7%	4,626,201	10.9%	4,807,362	11.5%	2,757,506	11.7		
Consumer services	16,719,168	38.7%	13,116,938	30.8%	12,634,026	30.2%	8,580,530	36.4		
Commercial services	3,993,836	9.2%	5,753,166	13.5%	3,049,918	7.3%	56,333	0.2%		
Other industrial and manufacturing products	4,366,782	10.1%	4,463,412	10.5%	4,751,983	11.4%	2,466,135	10.5		
Total foreign loans	43,210,481	100.0%	42,539,377	100.0%	41,717,000	100.0%	23,545,308	100.		
Total Foreign and Domestic Loans	160,468,094	100.0%	5 151,747,480	6100.0%	145,620,639	9100.0%	115,173,653	3 100.		

## **Credit Categories**

For the purpose of credit risk evaluation, loans and financial lease contracts are classified in accordance with the regulations of the SFC. For further details please see Note 31 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, section b. Credit Quality Analysis - Loans and Financial Leases.

The following table shows the Bank's loan portfolio by type of loan for the relevant periods:

	Loan Portfolio by Type of Loan As of December 31,						
	2017	2016	2015	2014			
	In millions of COP						
Commercial	88,997,241	86,259,708	85,892,752	65,473,755			
Consumer	27,646,114	23,925,279	21,170,615	18,927,154			
Small Business	1,063,580	1,062,724	886,913	659,870			
Financial Leases	22,248,951	21,343,923	20,551,576	17,565,229			
Mortgage	20,512,208	19,155,852	17,118,783	12,547,645			
Total loans and financial leases	160,468,094	151,747,486	145,620,639	115,173,653			

Total allowance for loans and advances and lease losses Total loans and advances to customers and financial institutions, net (8,223,103) (6,621,911) (5,248,755) (4,789,257) 152,244,991145,125,575140,371,884110,384,396

## Risk categories

The SFC provides the following minimum risk classifications, according to the financial situation of the borrower or the past-due days of the obligation. For further details please see Note 31 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, section b. Credit Quality Analysis - Loans and Financial Leases.

	As of December 31,							
	2017	<b>%</b>	2016	<b>%</b>	2015	<b>%</b>	2014	<b>%</b>
	In millions	of COP	, except per	centages	3			
"A" Normal Risk	140,558,163	387.6%	136,471,21	689.9%	131,999,143	390.6%	105,475,51	191.6%
"B" Acceptable Risk	9,189,969	5.7%	7,319,360	4.8%	7,682,616	5.3%	4,978,602	4.3%
"C" Appreciable Risk	3,844,704	2.4%	3,582,671	2.4%	2,438,541	1.7%	1,865,897	1.6%
"D" Significant Risk	4,456,958	2.8%	2,499,271	1.7%	1,821,582	1.3%	1,504,125	1.3%
"E" Unrecoverable Risk	2,418,300	1.5%	1,874,968	1.2%	1,678,757	1.1%	1,349,518	1.2%
Total loans and financial leases		4100.0%	6 151,747,48	6100.0%	145,620,639	9100.0%	6 115,173,65	3100.0%
Loans classified as "C", "D" and a percentage of total loans	d "E" as 6.68%		5.24%		4.08%		4.10%	

The following table illustrates Bancolombia's past-due loan portfolio by type of loan:

	As of December 31,									
	2017	<b>%</b>	2016	<b>%</b>	2015	<b>%</b>	2014	<b>%</b>		
	In millions of COP, except percentages									
Domestic										
Corporate										
Trade financing	15,851	0.3%	4,059	0.1%	24,733	0.7%	464	0.0%		
Loans funded by development banks	40,757	0.6%	-	0.0%	3,567	0.1%	4,264	0.2%		
Working capital loans	1,429,617	724.0%	579,989	15.2%	613,922	17.0%	461,505	16.9%		
Credit cards	726	0.0%	750	0.0%	1,167	0.0%	1,795	0.1%		
Overdrafts	4,239	0.1%	2,090	0.1%	1,339	0.0%	3,509	0.1%		
Total corporate	1,491,190	025.0%	586,888	15.4%	644,728	17.8%	471,537	17.3%		
Retail										
Credit cards	432,669	7.3%	238,975	6.3%	231,865	6.4%	343,521	12.6%		
Personal loans	543,061	9.1%	370,686	9.7%	265,802	7.4%	239,261	8.7%		
Vehicle loans	203,476	3.4%	201,852	5.3%	133,846	3.7%	144,213	5.3%		
Overdrafts	34,718	0.6%	29,404	0.8%	24,994	0.7%	29,418	1.1%		
Loans funded by	52 622	0.9%	40.221	1 207	20.110	0.907	40 122	1 507		
development banks	53,633	0.9%	49,331	1.3%	30,119	0.8%	40,132	1.5%		
Trade financing	7,646	0.1%	2,347	0.1%	1,759	0.1%	1,198	0.0%		
Working capital loans	1,411,725	523.7%	954,934	25.1%	755,713	21.0%	702,065	25.6%		

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Total retail	2,686,928	845.1%	1,847,529	948.6%	1,444,09	840.1%	1,499,80	854.8%
Financial Leases	754,965	12.8%	620,686	16.3%	936,382	26.0%	259,048	9.4%
Mortgage	1,020,323	317.1%	750,164	19.7%	582,010	16.1%	507,588	18.5%
Total domestic past due loans	5,953,400	6100.0%	3,805,26	7 100.0%	3,607,21	8100.0%	2,737,98	1100.0%
Foreign								
Corporate								
Trade financing	313,381	18.6%	261,943	16.6%	301,674	22.7%	97,646	12.6%
Loans funded by development banks	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	291	0.0%	-	0.0%
Working capital loans	118,740	7.1%	72,341	4.6%	99,330	7.5%	75,205	9.7%
Credit cards	1,339	0.1%	748	0.0%	1,316	0.1%	170	0.0%
Overdrafts	163	0.0%	-	0.0%	149	0.0%	36	0.0%
<b>Total Corporate</b>	433,623	25.8%	335,032	21.2%	402,760	30.3%	173,057	22.3%
Retail								
Credit cards	112,331	6.7%	107,791	6.9%	79,573	6.0%	37,427	4.9%

	As of De	cember	31,					
	2017	<b>%</b>	2016	<b>%</b>	2015	<b>%</b>	2014	<b>%</b>
	In millio	ns of CO	OP, except	t percen	tages			
Personal loans	281,690	16.8%	341,619	21.6%	277,596	20.9%	203,487	26.4%
Vehicle loans	51,892	3.1%	46,586	3.0%	41,015	3.1%	22,638	2.9%
Overdrafts	2,018	0.1%	1,112	0.1%	2,755	0.2%	1,773	0.2%
Loans funded by development banks	1,939	0.1%	96	0.0%	2,792	0.2%	1,249	0.2%
Trade financing	29,623	1.8%	26,518	1.7%	11,639	0.9%	7,184	0.9%
Working capital loans	9,089	0.5%	32,868	2.1%	4,912	0.4%	4,132	0.5%
Total retail	488,582	29.1%	556,590	35.3%	420,282	31.7%	277,890	36.0%
Financial Leases	13,824	0.8%	27,620	<b>1.7%</b>	23,381	1.8%	9,892	1.4%
Mortgage	740,763	44.3%	659,524	41.8%	480,469	36.2%	311,389	40.3%
Total foreign past due loans	1,676,79	2100.0%	1,578,76	6100.0%	1,326,89	2100.0%	772,228	100.0%
Total Foreign and Domestic past due loans	7,630,19	8100.0%	5,384,03	3100.0%	6 4,934,11	0100.0%	3,510,20	9100.0%

#### Policies for the granting and review of credit

The Bank's credit standards and policies aim to achieve a high level of credit quality in the Bank's loan portfolio, efficiency in the processing of loans and the specific assignment of responsibilities for credit risk. For further details please see Note 31 of Consolidated Financial Statements, section a. Credit Risk Management - Loans and Financial Leases.

E.4. SUMMARY OF LOAN LOSS EXPERIENCE

### ALLOWANCE FOR LOANS AND ADVANCES AND LEASE LOSSES

The Bank records an allowance for loans and advances and lease losses in accordance with IFRS as issued by the IASB. For further details regarding the regulation and methodologies for the calculation of such allowances please see Note 2 to Consolidated Financial Statements.

The following table sets forth the changes in the allowance for loans and advances and lease losses:

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	2017		2015	2014
	In millions	s of COP		
Balance at beginning of period	6,621,911	5,248,755	4,789,257	4,473,562
Domestic	5,529,506	4,254,754	4,028,866	3,766,387
Foreign	1,092,405	994,001	760,391	707,175
Domestic Discontinued Operations (1)	-	-	(282,098)	-
Allowance for loan of PA Leasing	-	27,825	-	-
Domestic	-	27,825	-	-
Provisions for loan losses, net	3,879,559	2,930,239	1,884,859	1,308,825
Domestic	3,413,963	2,415,771	1,642,914	1,236,594
Foreign	465,596	514,468	241,945	72,231
Charge-offs	(2,275,300)	(1,533,202	2)(1,422,055	(1,178,748)
Domestic	(1,637,906	(1,168,844	(1,134,928	)(974,115)
Foreign	(637,394)	(364,358)	(287,127)	(204,633)
Effect of difference in exchange rate	(3,067)	(51,706)	278,792	185,618
Foreign	(3,067)	(51,706)	278,792	185,618
Balance at end of year	8,223,103	6,621,911	5,248,755	4,789,257
Domestic	7,305,563	5,529,506	4,254,754	4,028,866

Year Ended December 31, 2017 2016 2015 2014 In millions of COP

Foreign 917,5401,092,405994,001760,391

(1) As of December 31, 2015, Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A. is considered a discontinued operation.

Recoveries of written-off loans are recorded in the consolidated statement of income and are not included in provisions for loan losses.

The following table sets forth the allocation of the Bank's allowance for loans and advances and lease losses by type of loan using the classification of the SFC:

	As of De			
	2017	2016	2015	2014
	In millio	ons of COl	P	
Commercial loans	4,514,18	03,499,79	12,694,96	52,360,488
Consumer loans	2,291,82	91,791,12	31,321,28	11,479,460
Small business loans	140,591	110,015	80,586	76,560
Financial leases	631,402	567,046	579,151	415,766
Mortgage	645,101	653,936	572,772	456,983
Total allowance for loans and advances and lease losses	8,223,10	36,621,91	15,248,75	54,789,257

The following table sets forth the allocation of the Bank's allowance for loans and advances and lease losses by type of loan:

	As of De	cember	31,					
	2017	<b>%</b>	2016	<b>%</b>	2015	<b>%</b>	2014	<b>%</b>
	In millio	ns of CO	OP, excep	t percen	tages			
Domestic								
Corporate								
Trade financing	109,258	1.5%	54,372	1.0%	35,387	0.8%	14,759	0.4%
Loans funded by development banks	63,502	0.9%	49,008	0.9%	23,552	0.5%	5,772	0.1%
Working capital loans	2,288,99	731.3%	1,713,73	531.0%	1,183,37	827.4%	1,006,49	325.0%
Credit cards	1,591	0.0%	1,596	0.0%	2,218	0.1%	1,995	0.1%

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Overdrafts Total corporate	4,321 <b>2,467,66</b>	0.1% <b>933.8%</b>	3,226 <b>1.821.93</b>	0.1% <b>733.0%</b>	3,318 <b>1.247.85</b> 3	0.1% <b>328.9</b> %	5,759 <b>1,034,77</b>	0.1% <b>825.7%</b>
Retail	, - ,		<i>y- y-</i>		, ,		, ,	
Credit cards	630,358	8.6%	482,278	8.7%	343,057	8.0%	589,702	14.6%
Personal loans	805,327	11.0%	595,253	10.8%	441,225	10.2%	422,649	10.5%
Vehicle loans	260,747	3.6%	242,230	4.4%	180,408	4.2%	224,481	5.6%
Overdrafts	36,693	0.5%	30,544	0.5%	27,668	0.6%	36,345	0.9%
Loans funded by development banks	58,470	0.8%	49,038	0.9%	38,274	0.9%	39,235	1.0%
Trade financing	22,766	0.3%	9,606	0.2%	13,531	0.3%	12,972	0.3%
Working capital loans	1,863,84	425.5%	1,316,30	223.8%	1,084,69	825.2%	969,557	24.1%
Total retail	3,678,20	550.4%	2,725,25	149.3%	2,128,86	149.4%	2,294,94	157.0%
Financial leases	617,266	8.4%	546,710	9.8%	553,317	12.8%	388,115	9.6%
Mortgage	542,423	<b>7.4%</b>	435,608	7.9%	382,533	8.9%	311,032	<b>7.7</b> %
Total domestic allowance for loans and	7 305 56	3100 0%	65 529 50	6100 0%	64 312 56	4100 0%	6 4,028,86	6100 0%
advances and lease losses	7,505,50	J 100.0 /	0 0,027,00	0100.0 /	7,512,50	1100.0 /	<i>i</i>	0100.0 /0
Foreign								
Corporate								
Trade financing	167,081	18.2%	242,490	22.2%	82,777	8.8%	83,306	10.9%
Loans funded by development banks	566	0.1%	329	0.0%	568	0.1%	175	0.0%
Working capital loans	148,415	16.2%	149,392	13.7%	256,244	27.4%	227,915	30.0%
Credit cards	2,026	0.2%	1,253	0.1%	838	0.1%	361	0.1%
Overdrafts	351	0.0%	635	0.1%	656	0.1%	548	0.1%
Total corporate	318,439	34.7%	394,099	36.1%	341,083	36.5%	312,305	41.1%
Retail								
Credit cards	111,269	12.1%	101,066	9.3%	66,582	7.1%	42,433	5.6%
Personal loans	327,210	35.7%	316,387	29.0%	277,094	29.6%	221,627	29.2%
Vehicle loans	18,927	2.1%	20,058	1.8%	14,076	1.5%	12,533	1.7%
Overdrafts	8,982	1.0%	7,884	0.7%	10,780	1.1%	8,237	1.1%
Loans funded by development banks	2,582	0.3%	2,932	0.3%	2,731	0.3%	1,514	0.2%
Trade financing	8,303	0.9%	5,598	0.5%	3,450	0.4%	2,728	0.4%
Working capital loans	5,014	0.6%	5,717	0.5%	5,305	0.6%	4,867	0.6%
Total retail	482,287	52.6%	,	42.1%	,	40.6%	,	38.8%
Financial leases	14,136	1.5%	20,336	1.9%	24,848	2.6%	8,217	1.0%
Mortgage	102,678	11.2%	218,328	19.9%	190,242	20.3%	145,930	19.1%
Total foreign allowance for loans and	917,540	100.0%	6 1,092,40	5100.0%	936,191	100.0%	6 760,391	100.0%
advances and lease losses	,		, ,		,		,	
Total foreign and domestic allowance for loans and advances and lease losses	r 8,223,10	3100.0%	6 6,621,91	1100.0%	5,248,75	5100.0%	6 4,789,25	7100.0%

As of December 31, 2017, allowances for loans and financial lease losses amounted to COP 8,223 billion (5.12% of total loans), up 24.18% as compared to COP 6,622 billion (4.36% of total loans) at the end of 2016.

Coverage, measured by the ratio of allowances for loans and advances and lease losses to past-due loans (overdue 30 or more days; excluding accrued interest), was 107.52% at December 31, 2017, down from 125.90% at December 31, 2016. The decrease in the coverage ratio is mainly explained by the lower macroeconomic dynamics that affected the consumer and SME portfolio and the materialization of credit events in the Infrastructure and Mass Transport Systems sectors in Colombia.

#### **CHARGE-OFFS**

The following table shows the allocation of the Bank's charge-offs of domestic and foreign loans by type of loan as of December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014:

	Year ended December 31,				
	2017	2016	2015	2014	
	In million	ns of COP			
Domestic					
Trade financing	1,036	734	1,220	12,452	
Loans funded by development banks	5,804	12,335	23,852	10,078	
Working capital loans	903,241	447,673	457,097	279,701	
Credit cards	266,312	214,800	145,350	325,475	
Personal loans	203,852	285,462	209,211	197,973	
Vehicle loans	149,964	100,224	81,140	79,527	
Overdrafts	14,344	16,050	13,947	10,276	
Mortgage and other	17,308	15,823	167,718	13,818	
Financial leases	76,045	75,743	35,393	44,815	
Total domestic charge-offs	1,637,900	61,168,84	41,134,928	8974,115	
Foreign					
Trade financing	186,140	1,028	-	72	
Loans funded by development banks	94	-	-	-	
Working capital loans	20,308	20,038	28,317	33,170	
Credit cards	125,919	55,836	37,938	40,640	
Personal loans	268,622	259,434	198,283	113,685	

	Year ended December 31,				
	2017	2016	2015	2014	
	In million	ns of COP			
Vehicle loans	13,815	14,471	9,968	5,211	
Overdrafts	410	270	726	3,743	
Mortgage and other	20,369	8,796	11,761	8,112	
Financial leases	1,717	4,485	134	-	
Total foreign charge-offs	637,394	364,358	287,127	204,633	
<b>Total Foreign and Domestic charge-offs</b>	2,275,300	01,533,202	21,422,05	51,178,748	

The ratio of charge-offs to average outstanding loans for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014 was as follows:

Year ended December 31, 2017 2016 2015 2014

Ratio of charge-offs to average outstanding loans 1.51% 1.03% 1.14% 1.19%

The Bank charges off loans that are classified as "unrecoverable". For further details please see Note 2 of Consolidated Financial Statements, section 7.6.1 "Written-Off loan portfolio balances and related allowances".

All write-offs must be approved by the Board of Directors, regardless of the amount to be written-off. Even if a loan is written off, management remains responsible for decisions in respect of the loan, and neither the Bank nor its Subsidiaries are released from their obligation to pursue recovery as appropriate.

#### POTENTIAL PROBLEM LOANS

In order to carefully monitor the credit risk associated with clients, the Bank has established a committee that meets periodically to identify current situations or anticipate future situations that might generate a possible deterioration in the client's ability to pay. In general, the clients are placed on this watch list when they could face difficulties in the future in the repayment of their obligations with the Bank but who have had a good record of payment behavior. The reasons for placing a client on the watch list could relate to financial weakness factors specific to the client, or to factors such as the general level of economic activity, or any other external or internal events that could affect the client's business.

As of December 31, 2017, loans included in the watch list amounted to COP 11,895 billion. The increase from COP 9,824 billion as of December 31, 2016, was driven by the addition to the watch list of significant Corporate and SMEs clients that were classified principally in Level 1 - Low Risk. During 2017, risk level 4 was created for nonperforming clients without any financial, operational or commercial viability, where the objective is to obtain the highest possible portfolio recovery by judicial means, in order to reduce or end the commercial relationship given their inability to pay.

## Watch List December 31 2017 Million COP

Risk Level		Amount	%	Allowance
Level 1 - Low Risk	4,938,711	2%	114,361	
Level 2 - Medium Risk	1,641,169	5%	81,796	
Level 3 - High Risk	3,806,554	33%	1,264,077	
Level 4 - High Risk	1,509,014	76%	1,150,212	
Total	11,895,448	22%	2,610,447	

#### **IMPAIRED LOANS**

A credit is considered as an impaired loan when there is an objective evidence of impairment that has an effect on the cash flow of the loan. Additionally, this category includes loans that have been restructured because of financial difficulties of the debtor, and for that reason, the Bank must grant a concession to the debtor, that it would not otherwise consider ("Trouble Debt Restructuring loans" - TDRs).

Under IFRS, all credits are accounting in an accrual status, although they are classified as "impaired loans".

The following table presents the recorded investment for impaired loans:

	As of Dece	ember 31,								
	2017			2016			2015			2
	<b>Domestic</b>	Foreign	Total	<b>Domestic</b>	Foreign	Total	Domestic	Foreign	Total	I
In millions of COP										
Commercial										
Corporate	3,957,150	758,029	4,715,179	3,001,953	1,104,935	4,106,888	1,468,122	2401,920	1,870,042	2 1
SME	2,081,996	291,015	2,373,011	1,499,054	138,604	1,637,658	1,114,816	128,125	1,242,941	19
Others	804,266	214,645	1,018,911	894,642	151,274	1,045,916	661,481	187,413	848,894	6
Total Commercial	6,843,412	1,263,689	8,107,101	5,395,649	1,394,813	6,790,462	3,244,419	717,458	3,961,877	72
Consumer										
Credit card	486,736	182,356	669,092	308,158	177,073	485,231	554,725	392,490	947,215	1
Vehicle loans	286,865	16,287	303,152	244,618	19,567	264,185	201,456	9,886	211,342	1
Payroll loan	144,491	238,685	383,176	127,866	469,494	597,360	118,015	24,002	142,017	1
Others	661,521	334,643	996,164	371,018	103,617	474,635	223,080	138,428	361,508	1
<b>Total Consumer</b>	1,579,613	771,971	2,351,584	1,051,660	769,751	1,821,411	1,097,276	564,806	1,662,082	26
Residential Mortgage										
$Vis^{(1)}$	172,273	61,365	233,638	156,747	54,439	211,186	136,628	305	136,933	1
No Vis	474,560	407,588	882,148	356,181	647,694	1,003,875	291,128	571,248	862,376	2
Total residential mortgage	646,833	468,953	1,115,786	512,928	702,133	1,215,061	427,756	571,553	999,309	3
<b>Small Business Loans</b>	101,955	33,050	135,005	81,769	22,705	104,474	58,875	1,365	60,240	5
Financial leases	1,712,023	11,319	1,723,342	1,237,165	34,061	1,271,226	865,412	12,547	877,959	2
Total	10,883,836	2,548,982	213,432,818	88,279,171	2,923,463	11,202,634	5,693,738	31,867,729	7,561,467	74

<sup>(1)</sup> VIS refers in Spanish to "Vivienda de Interés Social", a term used to describe residential mortgages granted by financial institutions in amounts that are less than 135 legal minimum monthly salaries in Colombia (as of

December 31, 2017 COP 100).

The following table shows the TDRs classified into foreign and domestic loans, the gross interest income that would have been recorded in the period ended if the loans had been current in accordance with their original terms and had been outstanding throughout the period or since origination and the amount of interest income on those loans that were included in net income for the period:

2017 2016 2015

In millions of COP

Domestic Foreign Total Domestic Foreign Total Domestic Foreign Total

Interest income recognized in net income for the period.

 $464,723 \quad 415,354\,880,077\,490,536 \quad 333,519\,824,055\,471,226 \quad 116,355\,587,581$ 

The gross interest income that would have been recorded in the period that ended if the loans had been current in accordance with their original terms and had been outstanding throughout the period or since origination, if held for part of the period.

477,708 467,915 945,623 511,828 382,116 893,944 472,862 117,148 590,010

#### CROSS-BORDER OUTSTANDING LOANS AND INVESTMENTS

As of December 31, 2017, 2016, and 2015, total cross-border outstanding loans and investments amounted to approximately USD 16,309 million, USD 15,966 million, USD 16,082 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2017, total outstanding loans to borrowers in foreign countries amounted to USD 14,666 million, and total investments were USD 1,643 million. As of December 31, 2017, total cross-border outstanding loans and investments represented 23.87% of total assets.

The Bank had no cross-border outstanding acceptances, interes-earning deposits with other banks or any other monetary assets denominated in pesos or other non-local currencies, in which the total exceeded 1% of consolidated total assets at December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015.

The following table presents information with respect to the Bank's cross-border outstanding loans and investments at December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015:

As of December 31, 2017 2016 2015 thousands of U.S. dollars

Governments and official institutions

 Guatemala
 USD490,068 USD476,000 USD 529,834

 Panama
 371,729
 340,631
 373,540

II '. I.C	225 104	106 620	166 204					
United States	235,104	106,630	166,284					
El Salvador	97,348	189,781	233,096					
Costa Rica	29,424	15,855	39,117					
Mexico	7,404	65,705	152,186					
Brazil	-	10,784	11,023					
Banks and other financial institutions								
Guatemala	USD 163,347 US	D58,647 US	D26,786					
Panama	110,535	112,430	216,788					
Costa Rica	39,315	34,416	30,119					
Peru	15,263	10,095	13,281					
El Salvador	11,648	26,836	43,766					
Chile	10,482	14,286	14,951					
Venezuela	7,885	22,120	30,164					
Brazil	4,775	4,702	7,705					

	As of December 3	31,	
	2017 20		15
	thousands of U.S.	dollars	
United States	3,031	11,069	10,002
Cayman Islands	2,877	-	-
Honduras	2,546	7,485	751
Mexico	-	-	3,041
Commercial and industrial loans	S		
Panama	USD3,270,293 US	D3,183,641 US	SD3,138,755
Guatemala	2,164,020	2,009,213	2,941,396
El Salvador	837,985	889,980	563,534
Peru	199,766	284,576	420,341
Costa Rica	174,863	162,028	249,819
Nicaragua	69,921	55,251	8,917
United States	68,805	127,321	260,041
Dominican Republic	67,196	104,444	100,035
Honduras	32,834	72,602	87,036
Belize	15,232	16,426	-
Chile	14,101	18,997	41,192
Uruguay	2,458	-	10,768
Mexico	734	21,369	3,636
Brazil	215	3,784	13,002
Ecuador	125	49,178	56,545
Puerto Rico	7	151,223	100,474
British Virgin Island	_	13,837	15,234
Guyana	_	3,604	4,906
Republic of China	_	3,167	_
U.S. Virgin Island	_	-	27,835
Barbados	_	_	4,021
Others	2,134	6,869	1,243
Other loans	,	,	,
Panama	USD4,262,289US	D3.896.328US	SD3.319.118
El Salvador	2,274,746	2,177,723	2,471,002
Guatemala	952,949	883,186	115,215
Costa Rica	96,141	164,760	79,351
United States	92,668	61,001	32,617
Spain	39,492	10,939	14,249
Canada	8,937	3,686	2,989
England	7,835	3,953	5,501
Australia	7,600	3,832	1,010
Mexico	5,194	6,827	1,770
Brazil	4,995	2,783	8,333
Nicaragua	4,498	13,286	18,523
France	3,324	2,128	-
Venezuela	3,324	2,564	2,429
Chile	2,965	2,662	5,468
Peru	2,903	2,002 15,500	3,408 44,947
1 6111	2,133	15,500	44,74/

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Ecuador	2,041	2,746	1,218
Argentina	1,772	5,072	-
Italy	1,692	1,438	-
Honduras	1,531	2,087	-
Germany	1,148	1,527	-
Belgium and Luxembourg	381	2,640	3,203
Bolivia	252	1,900	-
Uruguay	151	4,236	-

As of December 31,

2017 2016 2015

thousands of U.S. dollars

Others 7,250 8,586 3,811

Total Cross-Border Outstanding Loans and Investments USD 16,308,775 USD 15,966,372 USD 16,081,918

E.5. DEPOSITS

The following table shows the composition of the Bank's deposits for 2017, 2016 and 2015:

As of December 31,

**2017 2016 2015**<sup>(1)</sup>

In millions of COP

Non-interest bearing deposits:

 Checking deposits
 16,284,742
 16,189,259
 16,823,024

 Other deposits
 1,676,399
 1,813,922
 1,627,981

 Total
 17,961,141
 18,003,181
 18,451,005

**Interest bearing deposits:** 

 Checking deposits
 5,780,905
 5,253,743
 6,823,554

 Time deposits
 53,961,586
 52,673,385
 48,713,789

 Savings deposits
 54,255,583
 48,693,702
 47,813,680

 Total
 113,998,074106,620,830103,351,023

 Total deposits
 131,959,215124,624,011121,802,028

The following table shows the time deposits held by the Bank as of December 31, 2017, classified by amount and maturity:

**At December 31, 2017** 

Peso - Foreign Exchange-Total

**Denominated Denominated** 

In millions of COP

Time deposits higher than USD 100,000

 Up to 3 months
 5,012,846
 5,602,380
 10,615,226

 From 3 to 6 months
 3,088,626
 3,598,854
 6,687,480

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes deposits amounting to COP 1,266,305 million held by Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A., which deposits are considered as assets held for sale as of December 31, 2015.

From 6 to 12 months	4,837,340	5,190,394	10,027,734
More than 12 months	10,654,180	6,361,545	17,015,725
Time deposits higher than USD 100,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	23,592,992	20,753,173	44,346,165
Time deposits less than USD 100,000 (1)	6,427,919	3,187,502	9,615,421
Total	30,020,911	23,940,675	53,961,586

(1) Approximately COP 298 million at the Representative Market Rate as of December 31, 2017.

As of December 31, 2017, the time deposits greater than USD 100,000 collected by foreign subsidiaries amounted to COP 20,148,071 million.

For a description of the average amount and the average rate paid for deposits, see "Item 4. Information on the Company – E. Selected Statistical Information – E.1. Distribution of Assets, Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity; Interest Rates and Interest Differential".

## E.6. RETURN ON EQUITY AND ASSETS

The following table presents certain selected financial ratios of the Bank for the periods indicated:

	Year
Return on equity and assets (1)	Ended
Keturn on equity and assets (*)	December 31,
	2017 2016 2015
	In percentages
Net income as a percentage of:	
Average total assets (2)(3)(4)	1.30 1.49 1.53
Return on average stockholders' equity attributable to the owners of the parent company	11.9914.5213.62
Average equity (5)	11.9514.1613.84
Dividends declared per share as a percentage of consolidated net income per share (6)	36.6931.2532.46
Average stockholders' equity as a percentage of average total assets	11.47 10.79 11.44
Return on interest-earning assets (7)	10.0410.118.41

- The Bank's average total assets and stockholder's equity were calculated considering the last 13 monthly IFRS balances.
- As of December 31, 2016, and 2015 the Bank's average total assets were calculated considering the assets of the discontinued operation.
- The difference between the figures disclosed as assets and liabilities in Consolidated Statements and the table (3) above is due to the off-setting of deferred tax assets and deferred tax libilities in accordance with IAS 12. See further information in Note 11. Income tax.
- (4) Defined as net income attributable to equity holders of the parent company divided by the average total assets

  (5) Defined as net income divided by the average stockholders' equity
- Dividends are paid based on unconsolidated earnings. Net income per share is calculated using the average number of common and preference shares outstanding during the year.
  - (7) Defined as total interest earned divided by average interest-earning assets

### E.7. SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS

The following table sets forth certain information regarding the short-term borrowings by the Bank for the periods indicated:

As of December 31, (1) 2017 2016

	Amount	Rate (2)	Amount	Rate (2)	Amount	Rate (2)
In millions of COP, except percentages						
End of period	7,612,323	4.87%	9,951,438	2.95%	11,129,652	1.68%
Weighted average during period	9,289,645	3.99%	10,122,682	2.90%	8,527,033	2.20%
Maximum amount of borrowing at any month end	10,513,614	<b>1</b> (3)	11,067,435	5(4)	11,129,652	(5) -
Interest paid during the year	370,353		293,348		187,185	-

Short-term borrowings with other financial institutions with remaining maturity less than one year. For further information see Note 16 Borrowings with other financial institutions to the Financial Statements.

(2)	Corresponds to the ratio of interest paid to short-term borrowings.
(3)	The amount corresponds to the end of August.
(4)	The amount corresponds to the end of February.
(5)	The amount corresponds to the end of December.

#### ITEM 4 A.

#### UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

As of the date of the filing of this Annual Report, there are no unresolved comments from SEC staff regarding the Bank's periodic reports required to be filed under the Exchange Act of 19

ITEM 5. OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

A.

#### **OPERATING RESULTS**

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with Part II, Item 6 "Selected Financial Data" of this Annual Report and our Consolidated Financial Statements and the related notes thereto included in this Annual Report.

The following discussion includes information regarding future financial performance and plans, targets, aspirations, expectations, and objectives of management, which constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. It is possible that the Bank's actual results may differ materially from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements because of a number of risks and uncertainties. In addition, please refer to the discussion in Item 3. "Key Information – D. Risk Factors" for a description of risks and uncertainties affecting our business and financial results.

#### IMPACT OF ECONOMIC AND MONETARY POLICIES ON BANCOLOMBIA'S RESULTS

Bancolombia's results of operations are affected by macroeconomic factors principally in Colombia, but also in the other countries in where the Bank operates. The most important variables include GDP growth, interest rates, inflation and exchange rates, principally the representative market rate. The following discussion summarizes the trends of these measures in Colombia in 2017.

## **Economic activity**

Colombia's real GDP growth was 1.8% in 2017, lower than the 2.0% reached in 2016. The reduction in the pace of growth is mainly explained by the slow-down in gross capital formation from the private sector and a sluggish growth in consumption and government spending.

The behavior of key GDP components in 2017 compared with 2016 was as follows: investment increased 0.1%, consumption increased 2.2%, imports increased 0.2% and exports decreased 0.6%. In 2017, gross capital formation represented 23.4% of GDP, household consumption represented 62.9%, government consumption 19.1%, exports 14.8% and imports 20.1%.

The sectors that led growth during the year were agriculture (4.9% increase) and financial services (3.8% increase).

In summary, during 2017, the Colombian economy continued with the process of deceleration that started in 2015. This lower economic dynamism was characterized by the moderation of internal demand, especially consumer demand and government spending, and a considerable decrease in net exports.

#### **Interest Rates**

As of December 31, 2017, following steady rate cuts totaling a 275 basis points cut during the year, the Colombian Central Bank's benchmark interest rate stood at 4.75%. These rate reductions reflect an attempt to stimulate growth in a slower-paced economy. Interest rates have continued to decline in 2018, with the benchmark rate at 4.50% as of the date of this Annual Report.

The Central Bank aims to maintain long term inflation rates within the long-term targeted range (between 2% and 4%). The Central Bank may continue to reduce interest rates in order to promote economic activity, credit expansion and consumption.

#### Inflation

The year-end inflation rate for 2017 was 4.09%, lower than the 5.75% recorded for 2016. The components that led inflation in 2017 were recreation (7.69% increase), education (7.41% increase) and communications (6.43% increase).

Inflation in January 2017 was 5.47%, 147 basis points above the upper limit of the inflation target range of the Central Bank (2% - 4%). However, this metric decreased in the subsequent months, when inflation started to moderate. Inflation thus far in 2018 continues on this downward trajectory and as of February 28, 2018, the annual inflation rate was 3.37%.

## **Exchange rate**

The Colombian Peso appreciated 0.56% versus the U.S. dollar during 2017, compared to an appreciation of 4.72% 2016.

The appreciation of the Colombian Peso was explained by a reduction in the current account deficit and some increase in oil prices, and an effective absorption by the Colombian economy of external shocks, such as that caused by the U.S. presidential elections.

#### Outlook

Future prospects for the Colombian financial sector in general, and for Bancolombia in particular, are expected to depend on the factors listed below:

# Favorable factors for the Colombian economy – medium-term

Benefits derived from interest rate cuts aimed at promoting faster economic growth.

## Unfavorable factors for the Colombian economy – medium term

Underdeveloped infrastructure that continues to constrain growth.

Declining inflationary pressures with the necessary fiscal adjustments.

Oil and gas dependent export activity.

Stronger local capital markets, with little exposure to "toxic assets" and with low currency mismatches.

Despite successful efforts to diversify export markets, continued concentration in specific export destinations, particularly the United States (which could change as a result of the new U.S. administration).

# Favorable factors for the Colombian economy – medium-term

# Unfavorable factors for the Colombian economy – medium term

Exchange rate volatility and depreciation that directly impacts inflation and economic growth.

Large current account deficit and fiscal pressures.

Better prospects for growth in the near term, derived from improving macroeconomic conditions.

Introduction of additional tax reform measures due to fiscal burden in the near term.

A well-capitalized banking system.

Well-developed supervision and regulation of the financial system.

High tax environment for Colombian corporate sector compared to other countries in the region

Uncertainties regarding the future post-conflict.

Adequate international reserves compared to the level of short-term debt.

Higher unemployment and household indebtedness.

Political fragmentation and instability before presidential and congressional elections taking place in 2018.

GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THE CHANGES IN RESULTS FOR 2017 VERSUS 2016

#### **Summary**

During 2017, Bancolombia continued to benefit from its strong competitive position and full-service financial model, including the diversity of its leading franchises. For the year 2017, net income attributable to equity holders of the parent company totaled COP 2,615 billion (COP 2,718 per share, including both common and preferred shares, and USD 3.64 per ADR), which represents a decrease of 8.74% as compared to COP 2,865 billion of net income attributable to equity holders of the parent company for the fiscal year 2016.

Bancolombia's average return on stockholders' equity for 2017 was 11.99%, down from 14.52% in 2016.

The net interest and valuation income after provisions for loans, financial leases and off-balance sheet credit instruments margin from continuing operations increased significantly in 2017 and stood at 6.07% for the year, up from 5.96% in 2016.

Credit impairment charges on loans and financial leases, net of recoveries, totaled COP 3,462 billion for 2017, up 26.75% from COP 2,731 billion in 2016. The higher amount of provisions was the result specific defaults of large corporate clients as well as generalized loan deterioration in the consumer and SME loan books, especially during the second half of the year.

Loans and advances to customers and financial Institutions leases grew 5.75% during the year. This performance was driven primarily by consumer loans and mortgages. The total loan book denominated in COP grew 11.89% while USD- denominated loans declined 4.43% for the year.

Allowance for loans, advances and lease losses represented 4.83% of total loans and 107.52% of past-due loans (excluding accrued interest) at the end of 2017 compared with 4.17% of total loans and 125.90% of past-due loans (excluding accrued interest) in December 31, 2016.

Despite the decline in the ratio, the bank expects that this coverage will provide solid protection in a potential downside scenario in which loan quality continues to deteriorate. Capital adequacy was 14.18% (Tier 1 ratio of 10.15%), higher than the 13.26% (Tier 1 ratio of 9.02%) reported at the end of 2016, principally as a result of the issuance of USD 750 million of Tier 2 subordinated debt in September 2017.

Deposits by customers increased 5.89% during 2017, while the ratio of net loans to deposits was 115.4% at the end of the year, down from 116.5% in December 31, 2015.

Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments before impairment on loans and financial leases and off-balance sheet credit instruments

For 2017, net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments, before impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit instruments, totaled COP 10,453 billion, up 7.81% from COP 9,696 billion in 2016. This performance is the result of growth in the Colombian loan portfolio during the year, as well as increasing interest margins. During 2017, the Central Bank cut its reference rate from 7.50% to 4.75% in response to lower inflation and weak economic growth. In line with this trend, the Bank's borrowings costs decreased during 2017 due to efforts to bring down the cost of time deposits and borrowings from financial institutions.

Margin on loans and financial leases decreased as a result of interest rate cuts and lower yields on new originations. The weighted average nominal interest rate on loans and financial leases ended at 10.5% in 2017 down from 10.6% in 2016. Nonetheless, interest income, which is the sum of interest on loans, financial leases, overnight funds and interest and valuation income from investment securities, totaled COP 16,686 billion in 2017, up 5.95% as compared to COP 15,749 billion in 2016 as a result of higher loan volumes.

Interest on investment securities, which includes, among other items, the interest paid or accrued on debt securities and mark-to-market valuation adjustments, totaled COP 685 billion in 2017, 3.14% lower than 2016.

Net interest and valuation income after provisions for loans, financial leases and off-balance sheet credit instruments margin from continuing operations expanded 11 basis points from 5.96% to 6.07% during the year due to the growth

in consumer loans, which grew faster than corporate loans, and bear interest at a higher rate.

Bancolombia was very active in the deposits markets to secure the necessary funding. Interest rates declined during the second half of the year, releasing pressure from the cost of deposits. Interest rate cuts tend to put pressure on margins because of the asset-sensitive nature of the Bank's balance sheet. During the latter part of 2017, management's goal has been to reduce the asset-sensitivity of the balance sheet in order to avoid further pressures on margins given the poteIntial of further reductions in the Central Bank's rate in the first half of 2018.

Interest expenses totaled COP 6,233 billion in 2017, up 2.97% as compared to COP 6,053 billion in 2016. The increase in interest expenses is explained by the increase in volumes of deposits. Overall, the average interest rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities was 3.7% in 2017 stable compared to 2016.

**Net Fees and Commissions** 

For the year 2017, total net fees and commissions totaled COP 2,504 billion, up 7.99% as compared to COP 2,319 billion in 2016. This variation was driven primarily a better performance of commission from banking services, credit and debit cards fees, and bancassurance, all of which increased due to a higher number of transactions and trust activities, which increased due to an increase in the assets under management.

Consumers had a significant increase in the tax burden during 2017; as a result, consumption capacity suffered and financial services posted a sluggish trend during the year. Nevertheless, the strategies designed by the Bank to promote the utilization of financial services, such as electronic payments, asset management and mutual funds, permited to increase the volumes of transations and the revenues.

In particular, the Bank actively sought to promote and increase credit and debit card transactions through strategic initiatives with retailers as well as commercial incentives. This strategy involved advertising campaigns as well as enhanced use of reward and loyalty schemes relating to the use of Bancolombia-issued credit cards.

In the corporate side, the efforts have been focused in the middle and small market, mainly, comprehensive banking, cash management serkices and electronic plataforms for treasury management, the pace of growth in this segments has a high correlation to GDP and as a result, its growth was moderate in 2017.

The following table lists the main revenue-producing fees for the years 2017 and 2016 along with the corresponding year-to-year variations:

**Main Fees and Commissions Income** 

Year Growth 2017 2016 2017-2016 In millions of COP

Credit and debit card fees

1,164,3801,092,91971,461 6.54%

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Banking services	885,512	816,839	68,673	8.41%
Bancassurance	408,248	336,692	71,556	21.25%
Trust	359,651	294,499	65,152	22.12%
Collections	228,580	229,940	(1,360)	(0.59%)
Acceptances and guarantees	55,365	55,724	(359)	(0.64%)
Checks	48,010	51,974	(3,964)	(7.63%)
Brokerage	20,618	23,431	(2,813)	(12.01%)
Others	416,543	383,217	33,326	8.70%
Fees and commissions income	3,586,90	73,285,23	5301,672	29.18%

## Fees and commissions expenses

	Year		Growth	
	2017	2016	2017-201	6
	In millions	of COP		
Banking services	(396,264)	(354,640)	(41,624)	11.74%
Call center and website	(291,602)	(260,006)	(31,596)	12.15%
Others	(394,848)	(351,625)	(42,223)	12.29%
Fees and other service expenses	(1,082,714)	(966,271)	(116,443)	12.05%
Total fees and income from services, net	2,504,193	2,318,964	185,229	7.99%

### **Other Operating Income**

For 2017, total other operating income was COP 1,632 billion, 9.77% higher than the COP 1,487 billion in 2016.

The variation in this line item is explained by the significant improvement in net foreign exchange, which recorded COP 294 billion in 2017, 122.29% higher than the COP 132 billion reported in 2016. This increase resulted from a positive net impact of variations in the U.S-denominated assets and liabilities, as well as, a sale of U.S-denominated assets.

Revenues from operating leases totaled COP 564 billion in 2017, an increase of 14.26% compared to 2016. Such increase is due to higher volumes of operations and delivered assets under leasing.

Additionally, in 2017 the bank recorded an income of COP 86 billion related to the reversal of acruals of taxes, as a result of the fiscal reform of 2016.

### **Operating expenses**

For 2017, operating expenses totaled COP 7,227 billion, up 3.56% as compared to COP 6,979 billion in 2016.

Salaries and employee benefits totaled COP 2,792 billion in 2017, down 0.60% as compared to 2016. This performance was primarily driven by the reduction in headcount and the reduction in bonus payments.

Other administrative and general expenses totaled COP 2,980 billion in 2017, up 12.39% as compared to 2016 driven by the automation and optimization of processes, which required IT investments in robotics as well as consulting services expenses.

Depreciation and amortization expenses totaled COP 479 billion in 2017, decreasing by 7.52% as compared to COP 518 billion in 2016.

The following table summarizes the principal components of Bancolombia's operating expenses for the last three fiscal years:

> For the years ended Growth December 31, 20172016 2017-2016 In millions of COP

## **Operating expenses**

**Total operating expenses** 

Salaries and employee benefits Other administrative and general expenses Wealth tax, contributions and other tax burden 727,6641,184 (13,523)(1.82%) Impairment, depreciation and amortization Other expenses

2,792208058,931(16,916)(0.60%) 2,97928651,334328,529 12.39% 478,8\$B7,809 (38,926)(7.52%) 249,0259,792 (10,769)(4.15%) 7,227649759,050248,395 3.56%

## **Provision Charges and Credit Quality**

For the year 2017, credit impairment charges on loans and advances and financial leases (net of recoveries) totaled COP 3,462 billion (or 2.22% of average loans), which represents an increase of 26.75% as compared to COP 2,731 billion (or 1.84% of average loans) in 2016. The significant increase in the level of provisions was driven by the formation of new past due loans and the deterioration of specific corporate clients, as well as the consumer segment and SMEs loans. The deterioration in consumer and SMEs segments was explained by higher inflation levels during 2016 and the slow growth of the economy during 2017.

Net loan charge-offs totaled COP 2,275 billion in 2017, up 48.40% from the 1,533 billion in 2016. Past-due loans amounted to COP 7,630 billion as of December 31, 2017, up 41.72% as compared to COP 5,384 billion as of December 31, 2016.

The delinquencies ratio (loans overdue more than 30 days divided by total loans) reached 4.49% as of December 31, 2017, up from 3.31% as of December 31, 2016. The uptick in delinquency occurred in the corporate segment due to specific clients that defaulted and in the consumer segment and SMEs explained by the slow performance of the economy.

#### **Income Tax Expenses**

Income tax expense for the fiscal year 2017 totaled COP 1,239 billion, up 5.25% from COP 1,177 billion in 2016. The effective tax rate for 2017 was 31.02%.

The increase in the effective income tax rate in 2017 was due to the fact that during 2016, there was a tax reversion in the provision of the income tax after the income statement was finalized, meaning that there was certainty about the payable taxes based on the income generated during the fiscal period. The effective tax rate for 2016 was 29.66%.

Additionally, during 2017, there was a reversion for the compensation of fiscal credits and the tax reform approved in December 2016, which had an impact on deferred taxes because statutory tax rates were lower from those previously estimated.

For further details please see Note 11 of Consolidated Financial Statements.

## GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THE CHANGES IN RESULTS FOR 2016 VERSUS 2015

#### **Summary**

During 2016, Bancolombia continued to benefit from its strong competitive position and full-service financial model, including the diversity of its leading franchises. For the year 2016, net income attributable to equity holders of the parent company totaled COP 2,865 billion (COP 2,979 per share, USD 3.97 per ADR), which represents an increase of 14% as compared to COP 2,519 billion of net income attributable to equity holders of the parent company for the fiscal year 2015.

Bancolombia's return on average stockholders' equity for 2016 was 14.52%, up from 13.62% in 2015.

The net interest and valuation income after provisions for loans, financial leases and off-balance sheet credit instruments margin from continuing operations increased significantly in 2016 and stood at 5.96% for the year, up from 5.25% in 2015.

Credit impairment charges, on loans and financial leases, net of recoveries, totaled COP 2,731 billion for 2015, up 63.04% from COP 1,675 billion. The higher amount of provisions was the result of generalized loan deterioration in the consumer and SME loan books, especially during the second half of the year. Most of the provisions regarding Conalvías (the major infrastructure company that filed for bankruptcy) had already been accounted for in 2015.

Loans and advances to customers and financial Institutions leases grew 4% during the year. This performance was driven primarily by mortgage demand from individuals and corporate loans. The total loan book in Colombia grew 10% while the loan growth in USD- denominated loans was 0% for the year.

Allowance for loans and advances and lease losses represented 4.2% of total loans and 126% of past-due loans at the end of 2016 compared with 3.4% of total loans and 115% of past-due loans in December 31, 2015. The bank expects that this higher coverage ratio will provide solid protection in a potential downside scenario in which loan quality continues to deteriorate. Capital adequacy was 13.3% (Tier 1 ratio of 9.02%), higher than the 12.5% (Tier 1 ratio of 7.51%) reported at the end of 2015.

Deposits by customers increased 2% during 2016, while the ratio of net loans to deposits (including borrowings from commercial banks) was 101.11% at the end of the year, up slightly from 99.19% in December 31, 2015.

Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments before impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit instruments

For 2016, net margin and valuation income on financial instruments, before impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit instruments, totaled COP 9,696 billion, up 34.1% from COP 7,232 billion in 2015. This performance is the result of growth in the Colombia loan portfolio during the year as well as increasing interest margins. During 2016, the Central Bank increased its reference rate from 5.75% to 7.50% in response to higher inflation, decreasing money supply and a substantial reduction in liquidity in the economy. Although interest rates on the Bank's borrowings increased during 2016, and despite more difficult macroeconomic conditions in Colombia, the Bank was able to control its funding costs, in a manner that protected spreads.

Interest on loans and financial leases reflected an increase in the rates on loans in 2016. The weighted average nominal interest rate on loans and financial leases ended at 10.6% in 2016 up from 9.0% in December 31, 2015. As a result, interest income, which is the sum of interest on loans, financial leases, overnight funds and interest and valuation income from investment securities, totaled COP 15,749 billion in 2016, up 40% as compared to COP 11,270 billion in 2015.

Interest on investment securities, which includes, among other items, the interest paid or accrued on debt securities and mark-to-market valuation adjustments, totaled COP 707 billion in 2016, up 134% as compared to 2015. Investment securities gained value throughout the year due to a pronounced rally during the middle of the year, specifically of Colombian government debt (TES bonds) as investors sought the higher rates offered.

The net interest and valuation income after provisions for loans, financial leases and off-balance sheet credit instruments margin from continuing operations expanded 71 basis points from 5.25% to 5.96% during the year due to the faster repricing of assets than liabilities, while funding costs were kept relatively stable. Bancolombia was very active in the deposits markets to secure the necessary funding. Interest rates rose during the second half of the year. Increasing interest rates tend to lead to an improved net interest margin, because of the asset-sensitive nature of the Bank's balance sheet. Management's outlook going forward is more neutral as rates begin to come down (benchmark rates have decreased by 50 basis points so far in 2017) and the Bank aims to keep interest spreads stable in 2017.

Regarding interest expenses, interest incurred on liabilities totaled COP 6,053 billion in 2015, up 50% as compared to COP 4,038 billion in 2015. The increase in interest expenses is explained by the increase in volumes of deposits and bonds, as well as a higher cost on each type of funding source. Overall, the average interest rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities increased to 3.7% in 2016 from 2.9% in 2015.

### **Net Fees and Commissions**

For the year 2016, total net fees and commissions totaled COP 2,319 billion, up 16% as compared to COP 1,993 billion in 2015. This increase was driven primarily by increases in the performance of commission from banking services, credit and debit cards fees, collections and payments fees, bancassurance, and trust activities which presented a higher number of transactions. In particular, the Bank actively sought to promote and increase credit and debit card transactions through strategic initiatives with retailers as well as commercial incentives. This strategy involved advertisements campaigns, alliances and discounts at merchants if Bancolombia's credit cards were used as method of payment, more reward and loyalty points with certain credit cards issued by Bancolombia, etc.

The following table lists the main revenue-producing fees for the years 2016 and 2015 along with the corresponding year-to-year variations:

## Main Fees and Commissions Income (and Expense)

	Year		Gre	owth
	2016	2015	201	6-2015
	In millio	ns of COI	P	
Credit and debit card fees	1,092,91	91,015,25	377,666	7.65%
Banking services	816,839	630,616	186,223	329.53%
Bancassurance	336,692	260,224	76,468	29.39%
Trust	294,499	265,215	29,284	11.04%
Payments and Collections	229,940	203,772	26,168	12.84%
Acceptances and Guarantees	55,724	44,539	11,185	25.11%
Checks	51,974	55,861	(3,887)	(6.96%)
Brokerage	23,431	23,453	(22)	(0.09%)
Others	383,217	291,624	91,593	31.41%
Fees and commissions income	e 3,285,23	52,790,55	7494,678	317.73%

### Fees and commissions expenses

	Year		Growth	
	2016	2015	2016-201	.5
	In milli	ons of CO	P	
Banking services	(354,64	0) (298,415	5) (56,225)	18.84%
Call Center and Website	(260,00	6) (254,769	9) (5,237)	2.06%
Others	(351,62	5) (244,329	0) (107,296)	)43.91%
Fees and commissions expenses	(966,27	1) (797,513	3) (168,758)	21.16%
Total fees and commissions income, net	2,318,90	641,993,04	4325,920	16.35%

The sale of Compañia de Financiamiento Tuya S.A took place on October 31, 2016. The amounts recognized until that date are presented in the line "Net income from discontinued operations" of the Statement of Income. The Net fees and income from services attributable to this company for the periods shown were as follows:

	Year		Growth	1	
	2016	2015	2016-20	2015	
	In millio	ns of COl	P		
Fees and commissions income	361,988	388,306	(26,318	)(6.78%)	
Fees and commissions expenses	(117,795	)(152,500	)34,705	22.76%	
Total fees and commissions income, net (1)	244,193	235,806	8,387	(3.56%)	

(1) See note 30 to the Bank's Consolidated Financial Statements

## **Other Operating Income**

For 2016, total other operating income was COP 1,487 billion, 8% higher than the COP 1,373 billion in 2015.

The variation in this line item is explained by the significant improvement in net foreign exchange, which recorded COP 132 billion in 2016, 184% higher than the COP (158) billion reported in 2015. The 5% appreciation of the Colombian Peso against the U.S. Dollar during 2016 caused the foreign exchange gains and gains on forward contracts in foreign currency to have opposite variations compared to what occurred in 2015.

## **Operating expenses**

For 2016, operating expenses totaled COP 6,979 billion, up 18% as compared to COP 5,898 billion in 2015.

Salaries and employee benefits totaled COP 2,809 billion in 2016, up 25% as compared to 2015. This performance was primarily driven by the combined effect of the consolidation of GAH (which accounted for 7% of the growth in operating expenses), wage increments during 2016, and bonus payments. In December, Bancolombia recorded the annual bonuses paid to employees whenever the return on equity exceeds cost of capital as determined by the bank's compensation policies.

Other administrative and general expenses totaled COP 2,651 billion in 2016, up 18% as compared to 2015 driven by increased taxes other than income tax. The impact of GAH is the primary explanation for the uptick in this expense line. Depreciation and amortization expenses totaled COP 518 billion in 2016, increasing by 8% as compared to COP 477 billion in 2015. This increase was driven by the growth in the operating lease business of Bancolombia.

The following table summarizes the principal components of Bancolombia's operating expenses for the last three fiscal years:

For the years ended Growth December 31, 2016 2015 (1) 2016-2015

### In millions of COP

## **Operating expenses**

Salaries and employee benefits	2,80829255,39	1553,540	24.54%
Other administrative and general expenses	2,651232347,598	3413,736	18.49%
Wealth tax, contributions and other tax burden	741,1 <b>%7</b> 5,387	65,797	9.74%
Impairment, depreciation and amortization	517,840797,285	40,524	8.49%
Other expenses	259,72952,626	7,166	2.84%
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	6,979505908,287	71,080,763	318.32%

(1) For the year ended December 31, 2015, Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A. as a discontinued operation had operating expenses amounting to COP 219,532 million.

## **Provision Charges and Credit Quality**

For the year 2016, credit impairment charges on loans and advances and financial leases (net of recoveries) totaled COP 2,731 billion (or 1.8% of average loans), which represents an increase of 63% as compared to COP 1,675 billion (or 1.3% of average loans) in 2015. The obvious increase in the level of provisions was driven by the formation of new past due loans and deterioration of consumer and SME loans. Moreover, lower and middle income individuals began to default on loans as unemployment began to go up and household indebtedness reached higher than expected levels.

Net loan charge-offs totaled COP 1,533 billion in 2016, up 7.8% from the 1,422 billion in 2015. Past-due loans amounted to COP 5,384 billion in 2016, up 9.12% as compared to COP 4,934 billion in 2015.

The delinquencies ratio (loans overdue more than 30 days divided by total loans) reached 3.31% as of December 31, 2016, up from 2.98% at December 31, 2015. The uptick in delinquency occurred primarily in the consumer segment during the second half of the year and as a consequence the bank tightened the underwriting standards of certain segments (lower income individuals and SMEs).

## **Income Tax Expenses**

Income tax expense for the fiscal year 2016 totaled COP 1,177 billion, up 81% from COP 649 billion in 2015. Income tax increased significantly, due to the impact the peso's appreciation had on fiscal accounting on a consolidated level. The tax rate volatility caused by fluctuations in exchange rates will be eliminated in 2017 due to the new tax reform approved and passed by Congress on December 30, 2016.

#### RESULTS BY SEGMENT

The Bank manages its business through 9 main operating segments: Banking Colombia, Banking El Salvador, Banking Panama, Banking Guatemala, Trust, Investment Banking, Brokerage, Off Shore and All Other.

In 2016, Bancolombia included "Banking Guatemala" as new segment because of the acquisition of additional 20% of Banco Agromercantil and its subsidiaries by Bancolombia Panama on December 30, 2015.

Also in 2016, Bancolombia eliminated the "Leasing" segment as a result of the merger between Leasing Bancolombia S.A. and Bancolombia S.A. on September 30. As a result of this merger the "Leasing" segment disappeared and the "Banking Colombia" and "All other" segments changed their composition. The data for the "Banking Colombia" and "All other" segments for 2015 was restated in order to be on a comparable basis to the segment information for 2016 and 2017.

In 2015, Bancolombia eliminated the "Insurance" segment as a result of the sale of the insurance operation in Banistmo S.A. to Suramericana S.A. on February 23.

Banking Colombia: This segment provides retail and corporate banking products and services to individuals, companies and national and local governments in Colombia. The Bank's strategy in Colombia is to grow with these clients based on value added and long-term relationships. In order to offer specialized services to individuals and small and medium size enterprises (SMEs), the Bank's retail sales force targets the clients classified as: Personal, Private, Entrepreneurs, Foreign Residents and SMEs. The Bank's corporate and government sales force targets and specializes in companies with more than COP 16,000 million in revenue in nine economic sectors: Agribusiness, Commerce, Manufacturing of Supplies and Materials, Media, Financial Services, Non-Financial Services, Construction, Government and Natural Resources.

This segment is also responsible for the management of the Bank's proprietary trading activities, liquidity and distribution of treasury products and services to its client base in Colombia.

Compañia de financiamiento Tuya S.A. was discontinued in the year ending as of December 31, 2016. The segment information presented below does not include any amounts for that discontinued operation, which is described in more detail in note 30, discontinued operations, of the notes to our audited Consolidated Financial Statements.

	Year ended December 31,				
	2017	2016	2015	Change 2017-2016	Change 2016-2015
	In millions	of COP			
Total interest and valuation	12,984,301	11,586,785	8,992,368	12.06%	28.85%
Interest income on loans and financial leases	12,576,159	11,196,951	8,785,739	12.32%	27.44%
Total debt investments	602,304	464,504	249,459	29.67%	86.20%
Derivatives	(54,156)	(10,197)	50,362	(431.10%)	(120.25%)
Total liquidity operations	(140,006)	(64,473)	(93,192)	117.15%	(30.82%)
Interest expenses	(4,791,976)	(4,542,701)	(3,192,822)	5.49%	42.28%
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial					
instruments before impairment on loans and financial	8,192,325	7,044,084	5,799,546	16.30%	21.46%
leases and off balance sheet credit instruments					
Total credit impairment charges, net	(3,196,065)	(1,797,848)	(1,509,519)	77.77%	19.10%
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial					
instruments after impairment on loans and financial	4,996,260	5,246,236	4,290,027	<b>(4.76%)</b>	22.29%
leases and off balance sheet credit instruments					
Revenues (expenses) from transactions with other operating segments of the Bank	(59,884)	(65,915)	(68,915)	(9.15%)	(4.35%)
Total fees and commission income, net	1,588,246	1,269,298	1,347,999	25.13%	(5.84%)
Other operating income (1)	673,850	603,860	483,556	11.59%	24.88%
Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees	(53,141)	(264,715)	(40,115)	(79.93%)	559.89%
Total operating income, net Operating expenses (2)			<b>6,012,552</b> (3,836,019)		<b>12.91%</b> 8.21%

	Year ended l	December 31,						
	2017	2016	2015	Change 2017-2016	Change <b>2016-2015</b>			
	In millions of COP							
Impairment, depreciation and amortization	(147,034)	(147,261)	(247,446)	(0.15%)	(40.49%)			
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	(4,864,625)	(4,298,245)	(4,083,465)	13.18%	5.26%			
Profit before tax	2,280,706	2,490,519	1,929,087	(8.42%)	29.10%			
Segment assets	130,417,688	122,595,540	116,827,269	6.38%	4.94%			
Segment liabilities	(121,432,832)	(114,845,318)	(110,507,654)	5.74%	3.93%			

## Analysis of 2017 versus 2016

In 2017, profit before taxes for Banking Colombia decreased by 8.42% to COP 2,281 billion.

Total interest and valuation increased 12.06% to COP 12,984 billion. This growth resulted from an expansion of the net interest margin and valuation on financial instruments and from higher volumes of peso-denominated loans. Interest income from consumer loans grew by 30.33%, Leasing by 8.24%, mortgages by 3.40% and commercial by 0.86%. Demand for consumer loans was mainly driven by high-income individuals.

Total credit impairment charges net, increased by 77.77% to COP 3,196 billion. This increase resulted from specific defaults related to a few corporate clients, as well as some deterioration in the SMEs and consumer segments.

Total fees and commission net, increased by 25.13% to COP 1,588 billion, due to the better performance of credit and debit cards, bancassurance business and banking services.

Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees, decreased by 79.93% to COP 53 billion, due to a lower net income generation from equity investments. The reduction in dividends was also due to the 2016 sale of Tuya and Renting Colombia to Banca de Inversion Bancolombia, as a result of which dividends from those companies were not received by this segment during 2017.

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes derivatives, net foreign exchange, operating leases and gains on sale of assets.
(2) Includes staff costs, other administration and general expenses, contributions and other tax burdens and others.

Other operating income increased 11.59% during 2017 because of gains from the sale of premises and equipment and some assets held for sale.

Total operating expenses increased by 13.18% to COP 4,865 billion, due to increases in severance packages because of the reduction in the headcount during 2017, as well as, the automation and optimization of processes, which required IT investments in robotics and consulting services expenses.

Assets attributable to Banking Colombia grew by 6.92% during the year, mainly driven by growth in loans, financial assets investments, and interbank deposits.

### Analysis of 2016 versus 2015

In 2016, profit before taxes for Banking Colombia increased by 29.10% to COP 2,491 billion.

Total interest and valuation increased 28.85% to COP 11,587 billion. This strong growth resulted from an expansion of the net interest margin and valuation on financial instruments and from higher volumes of peso-denominated loans. Interest income from corporate loans grew by 39.70%, mortgages by 20.21% and consumer loans by 2.93%. Demand for commercial loans was mainly driven by large corporate loans, and rediscount and factoring operations.

Total credit impairment charges net, increased by 19.10% to COP 1,798 billion. This increase resulted from specific defaults related to a few corporate clients, as well as some deterioration in the consumer segment.

Total fees and commission net, decreased by 5.84% to COP 1,269 billion, due to the exclusion of the fee income and fee expenses of TUYA. In addition, some of the commissions from banking services were transferred to a Joint Venture with First Data, and therefore, the commissions for banking Colombia declined during 2016. The benefits of this Joint venture were reflected thought the valuation of the equity investment by equity method.

Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees, increased by 559.89% to COP 265 billion, due to a higher net income generation from some equity investments. During 2016, some associates did not appropriat earnings and therefore did not distribute dividends.

Other operating income increased 24.88% during 2016 because of gains from the sale of premises and equipment and some assets held for sale.

Total operating expenses increased by 5.26% to COP 4,298 billion, due to increases in labor costs as well as bonuses.

Assets attributable to Banking Colombia grew by 4.94% during the year, mainly driven by growth in cash and an increase in investments and interbank deposits, as well as by the incorporation of assets previously held by Leasing Bancolombia.

**Banking El Salvador through Banco Agrícola S.A.:** This segment provides retail and commercial banking products and services to individuals, companies and national and local governments in El Salvador. Banking El Salvador also includes operations of the following subsidiaries: Arrendadora Financiera S.A., Credibac S.A. de C.V., Valores and Banagricola S.A. de C.V.

This segment is also responsible for the management of the Bank's proprietary trading activities in El Salvador, liquidity management activities and distribution of treasury products and services to its client base in El Salvador.

	Year end	ded Decen					
	2017 2016		2015	Change 2017-2016	Change 62016-2015		
	In millions of COP						
Total interest and valuation	882,806	901,757	728,582	(2.10%)	23.77%		
Interest income on loans and financial leases	830,050	844,687	706,582	(1.73%)	19.55%		
Total debt investments	31,582	48,264	19,747	(34.56%)	144.41%		
Derivatives	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%		
Total liquidity operations	21,174	8,806	2,253	140.45%	290.86%		
Interest expenses	(256,994	)(252,011	(187,743	1.98%	34.23%		

	Year ended	December 3			
	2017	2016	2015	Change	Change
	2017	2010	2013	2017-2016	62016-2015
	In millions	of COP			
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments before impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit instruments	625,812	649,746	540,839	(3.68%)	20.14%
Total credit impairment charges, net	(110,018)	(55,985)	(26,933)	96.51%	107.87%
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments after impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit instruments	515,794	593,761	513,906	(13.13%)	15.54%
Revenues (expenses) from transactions with other operating segments of the Bank	(963)	(3,054)	(8,475)	(68.47%)	(63.96%)
Total fees and commission income, net Other operating income $^{(1)}$	170,834 (6,405)	158,262 1,302	140,398 24	7.94% (591.94%)	12.72% ) 5325.00%
Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees	324	711	1,716	(54.43%)	(58.57%)
Total operating income, net  Operating expenses (2)  Impairment, depreciation and amortization  Total operating expenses  Profit before tax  Segment assets  Segment liabilities	679,584 (383,002) (34,671) (417,673) 261,911 12,987,250 (11,248,123)	750,982 (390,309) (50,323) (440,632) 310,350 12,978,212 )(11,226,682)	647,569 (330,362) (27,761) (358,123) 289,446 13,094,026 )(11,119,166)	(9.51%) (1.87%) (31.10%) (5.21%) (15.61%) 0.07% )0.19%	15.97% 18.15% 81.27% 23.04% 7.22% (0.88%) 0.97%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes derivatives, net foreign exchange, operating leases and gains on sale of assets.
(2) Includes staff costs, other administration and general expenses, contributions and other tax burdens and others.

### Analysis of 2017 versus 2016

In 2017, profit before taxes for Banking El Salvador decreased by 15.61% to COP 262 billion.

Total interest and valuation decreased by 2.10% to COP 883 billion, mainly explained by the reduction in revenues from government securities, which posted a significant decline in value during the year, and lower contribution of commercial loans, which decreased due to weak demand from corporate clients.

Total credit impairment charges, net were COP 110 billion, increasing by 96.51% from the level in 2016, due to a deterioration in financial leases of certain corporate clients.

Total fees and commissions, net increased by 7.94% to COP 171 billion mainly due to a grow in fees from banking services, acceptances, guarantees and Standby letters of credits and trust products.

Total operating expenses decreased by 5.21% to COP 418 billion, mainly explained efforts to control personnel and administrative expenses.

Assets attributable to Banking El Salvador did not change materially during the year.

## Analysis of 2016 versus 2015

In 2016, profit before taxes for Banking El Salvador increased by 7.22% to COP 310 billion.

Total interest and valuation increased by 23.77% to COP 902 billion, due to a growth in the loan portfolio mainly in consumer and commercial loans, as well as higher revenues from interest received on debt investments. Interest income from commercial loans grew by 17.98% and consumer loans by 33.93%. Income from debt investments increased by 46.77%.

Total credit impairment charges, net were COP 56 billion, increasing by 107.87% from the level in 2015. Credit impairment charges in 2015 were abnormally low due to the reversion of provisions. Charges in 2016 reflected increases in the reserves for loans in the consumer and mortgage segment.

Total fees and commissions, net increased by 12.72% to COP 158 billion mainly due to fees from banking services, which include acceptances, guarantees and Standby letters of credits, check remittances and trust products.

Total operating expenses increased by 23.04% to COP 441 billion, mainly explained by the increase in personnel, administrative and general expenses. Also, the appreciation of the U.S. dollar versus the Colombian Peso during 2016 contributed to the increase. Assets attributable to Banking El Salvador decreased by 0.88% during the year.

**Banking Panama:** This segment provides retail and commercial banking products and services to individuals and companies in Panama through the Banistmo operation. This segment includes all the operations of Banistmo and its subsidiaries as they are managed and monitored by the chief operating decision maker on a consolidated basis.

This segment is also responsible for the management of the Bank's proprietary trading activities, liquidity and distribution of treasury products and services to its client base in Panama.

	Year en	ded Decer	nber 31,		
		-01-		Change	Change
	2017	2016	2015		
				2017-201	62016-2015
	In milli	ons of CO	P		
Total interest and valuation	1,495,44	61,399,85	21,119,54	06.83%	25.04%
Interest income on loans and financial leases	1,374,39	981,284,98	61,041,78	06.96%	23.35%
Total debt investments	93,154	94,284	64,466	(1.20%)	46.25%
Derivatives	438	3,274	2,704	(86.62%)	21.08%
Total liquidity operations	27,456	17,308	10,590	58.63%	63.44%
Interest expenses	(523,312	2) (457,611	(363,373	) 14.36%	25.93%
	972,134	942,241	756,167	3.17%	24.61%

# Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments before impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit instruments

Total credit impairment charges, net (46,468) (367,781) (82,344) (87.37%) 346  Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments after impairment on loans and financial leases 925,666 574,460 673,823 61.14% (14	5.64%
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	.75%)
and off balance sheet credit instruments	
Revenues (expenses) from transactions with other operating segments of the Bank (26,837) (20,600) (6,098) 30.28% 237	7.82%
Total fees and commission income, net 205,645 180,286 136,372 14.07% 32.1	20%
Other operating income (1) 7,784 18,828 104,448 (58.66%) (81	.97%)
Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees 7,038 4,692 69,127 50.00% (93)	.21%)

	Year ended	December 3			
	2017	2016	2015	Change	Change
				2017-2016	62016-2015
	In millions	of COP			
Total operating income, net	1,119,296	757,666	977,672	47.73%	(22.50%)
Operating expenses (2)	(569,219)	(589,535)	(606,582)	(3.45%)	(2.81%)
Impairment, depreciation and amortization	(55,197)	(62,459)	(49,590)	(11.63%)	25.95%
Total operating expenses	(624,416)	(651,994)	(656,172)	(4.23%)	(0.64%)
Profit before tax	494,880	105,672	321,500	368.32%	(67.13%)
Segment assets	28,055,391	27,195,988	27,895,156	3.16%	(2.51%)
Segment liabilities	(24,014,188)	(23,401,132)	(24,055,881)	2.62%	(2.72%)

### Analysis of 2017 versus 2016

In 2017, profit before taxes for Banking Panama increased by 368.32% to COP 495 billion.

Total interest and valuation increased by 6.83% to COP 1,495 billion, due to a growth in the loan portfolio mainly in commercial loans and mortgages, as well as an increase in leasing, overnight and market funds and debt investments. Interest income from commercial loans grew 10.15%, mortgages 5.72% and leasing 16.60%.

Total credit impairment charges, net were COP 46 billion, compared with COP 368 billion for 2016. This decrease is explain mainly by the improvement in the loan collection processes in Banistmo as well as the reversal of allowances of certain past due loans.

Total fees and commission, net increased by 14.07% to COP 206 billion due to higher commissions from banking services, check remittances and trust products.

Total operating expenses decreased by 4.23% to COP 624 billion, mainly due to the reduction of the headcount by 7.54% during 2017.

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes derivatives, net foreign exchange, operating leases and gains on sale of assets.
(2) Includes staff costs, other administration and general expenses, contributions and other tax burdens and others.

Assets attributable to Banking Panama increased by 3.16% during the year.

### Analysis of 2016 versus 2015

In 2016, profit before taxes for Banking Panama decreased by 67.13% to COP 106 billion.

Total interest and valuation increased by 25.04% to COP 1,400 billion, due to a growth in the loan portfolio mainly in consumer loans and mortgages, as well as an increase in leasing, overnight and market funds and debt investments. Interest income from commercial loans grew 18.64%, consumer loans 23.14%, mortgages 30.63% and leasing 69.10%.

Total credit impairment charges, net were COP 368 billion, compared with COP 82 billion for 2015. This increase is explain mainly by deterioration in some commercial clients and consumer loans.

Total fees and commission, net increased by 32.20% to COP 180 billion due to higher commissions from banking services and trust products.

Total operating expenses decreased by 0.64% to COP 652 billion, mainly due to tighter control on the growth in expenses during the year.

Assets attributable to Banking Panama decreased by 2.51% during the year.

**Banking Guatemala:** This segment provides retail and commercial banking and insurance products and services to individuals, companies and national and local governments in Guatemala. Banking Guatemala also includes operations of the following subsidiaries: Banco Agromercantil de Guatemala S.A., Mercom Bank Ltd., Seguros Agromercantil S.A., Financiera Agromercantil S.A., Agrovalores S.A., and Tarjeta Agromercantil S.A.

This segment is also responsible for the management of the Bank's proprietary trading activities, liquidity and distribution of treasury products and services to its client base in Guatemala.

	Year end	ded Decen	nber 31,
	2017	2016	Change
	т •11•	6.00	2017-2016
	In millio	ns of CO	P
Total interest and valuation	865,038	869,329	(0.49%)
Interest income on loans and financial leases	767,986	763,031	0.65%
Total debt investments	100,193	96,081	4.28%
Derivatives	-	5,323	(100.00%)
Total liquidity operations	(3,141)	4,894	(164.18%)
Interest expenses	(348,726	)(348,219	0.15%
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments before impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit instruments	516,312	521,110	(0.92%)
Total credit impairment charges, net	(125,877	)(127,839	)(1.53%)
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments after	390,435	393,271	(0.72%)
impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit instruments	370,433	393,411	(0.72 70)
Revenues (expenses) from transactions with other operating segments of the Bank	(972)	701	(238.66%)
Total fees and commission income, net	101,565	58,745	72.89%

	Year ended	31,	
			Change
	2017	2016	
			2017-2016
	In millions	of COP	
Other operating income (1)	54,246	55,942	(3.03%)
Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees	608	779	(21.95%)
Total operating income, net	545,882	509,438	7.15%
Operating expenses (2)	(343,646)	(323,001)	6.39%
Impairment, depreciation and amortization	(101,392)	(112,429)	(9.82%)
Total operating expenses	(445,038)	(435,430)	2.21%
Profit before tax	100,844	74,008	36.26%
Segment assets	12,163,561	11,765,670	3.38%
Segment liabilities	(10,593,967	(10,462,755	1.25%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes derivatives, net foreign exchange, operating leases and gains on sale of assets.
(2) Includes staff costs, other administration and general expenses, contributions and other tax burdens and others.

### Analysis of 2017 versus 2016

In 2017, profit before taxes for Banking Guatemala increased by 36.26% to COP 101 billion.

Total interest and valuation decreased by 0.49% to COP 865 billion due to a slow growth in the loan portfolio, mainly in consumer loans coupled with a compression in the margins. Interest income from commercial loans grew by 1.90% and mortgages by 5.29%.

Total credit impairment charges, net were COP 126 billion, decreasing by 1.53% from the level in 2016. This decrease is explained mainly by the reversion of provisions attributable to past due loans that became performing over the year.

Total fees and commission, net increased by 72.89% to COP 102 billion due to higher commissions from banking services and credit and debit cards.

Total operating expenses increased by 2.21% to COP 445 billion.

Assets attributable to Banking Guatemala increased by 3.38% during the year.

### Analysis of 2016

During 2016, assets of the Banking Guatemala segment grew at a moderate pace, mainly explained by the origination of new loans. The expansion of the loan portfolio permitted growth of the net interest income.

Fees declined slightly due to lower demand for financial services, while operating expenses experienced an increase during the year. As a result of these factors, net income of the segment declined during 2016.

**Trust:** This segment provides trust and asset management services to clients in Colombia and Peru through Fiduciaria Bancolombia and FiduPerú S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. The main products offered by this segment include money market accounts, mutual and pension funds, private equity funds, payment trust, custody services, and corporate trust.

Investment in FiduPerú S.A. is classified as asset held for sale in Statement of Financial Position. For further information, see note 12 Assets held for sale and inventories.

	Year ended December 31,			,	
				Change	Change
	2017	2016	2015		
				2017-2016	52016-2015
	In millio	ns of CO	P		
Total interest and valuation	794	827	626	(3.99%)	32.11%
Interest income on loans and financial leases	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%
Total debt investments	193	283	185	(31.80%)	52.97%
Derivatives	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%
Total liquidity operations	601	544	441	10.48%	23.36%
Interest expenses	<b>(102)</b>	<b>(20)</b>	(367)	410.00%	(94.55%)
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial					
instruments before impairment on loans and financial leases and	d692	807	259	(14.25%)	211.58%
off balance sheet credit instruments					
Total credit impairment charges, net	(549)	(164)	(3,204)	234.76%	(94.88%)
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial					
instruments after impairment on loans and financial leases and	143	643	(2,945)	<b>(77.76%)</b>	(121.83%)
off balance sheet credit instruments					
Revenues (expenses) from transactions with other operating segments of the Bank	(33,024)	(22,893)	(21,833)	)44.25%	4.86%
Total fees and commission income, net	283,666	238,745	218,190	18.82%	9.42%
Other operating income (1)	13,560		16,507		(18.22%)
Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees	18,249	16,873	13,573	8.16%	24.31%
Total operating income, net	282,594	246,868	223,492	14.47%	10.46%
Operating expenses (2)	(113,482)	(87,951)	(85,918)	29.03%	2.37%
Impairment, depreciation and amortization	(540)	(612)	(466)	(11.76%)	31.33%
Total operating expenses	(114,022)	(88,563)	(86,384)	28.75%	2.52%
Profit before tax	168,572	158,305	137,108	6.49%	15.46%
Segment assets	81,928	124,472	154,485	(34.18%)	(19.43%)
Segment liabilities	(76,856)	(71,591)	(76,749)	7.35%	(6.72%)

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes derivatives, net foreign exchange, operating leases and gains on sale of assets.
(2) Includes staff costs, other administration and general expenses, contributions and other tax burdens and others.

# Analysis of 2017 versus 2016

In 2017, profit before taxes for the Trust segment increased by 6.49% to COP 169 billion.

Total fees and commission, net increased by 18.82% to COP 284 billion driven by higher volume of transactions, repricing strategy for some products and higher value of assets under management and corporate trust fees.

Assets attributable to the Trust segment decreased by 34.18% during the year to COP 82 billion, due to a reduction in investments in debt and equity securities.

# Analysis of 2016 versus 2015

In 2016, profit before taxes for the Trust segment increased by 15.46% to COP 158 billion.

Total fees and commission, net increased by 9.42% to COP 239 billion driven by higher value of assets under management and corporate trust fees.

Assets attributable to the Trust segment decreased by 19.43% during the year to COP 124 billion, mainly driven by the decrease in debt investments issued by foreign issuers and cash, as well as, lower valuations of equity investments.

**Investment Banking:** This segment provides corporate and project finance advisory, underwriting, capital markets services and private equity management through Banca de Inversión Bancolombia. Its customers include private and publicly held corporations as well as Government institutions.

	Year ended December 31,			CI.	CI.
	2017	2016	2015	Change	Change
				2017-2016	2016-2015
	In millio	ns of CO	P		
Total interest and valuation	94	136	287	(30.88%)	(52.61%)
Interest income on loans and financial leases	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%
Total debt investments	94	136	287	(30.88%)	(52.61%)
Derivatives	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%
Total liquidity operations	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%
Interest expenses	-	-	(236)	0.00%	(100.00%)
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial					
instruments before impairment on loans and financial leases	94	136	51	(30.88%)	166.67%
and off balance sheet credit instruments					
Total credit impairment charges, net	466	(423)	127	(210.17%)	(433.07%)
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial					
instruments after impairment on loans and financial leases and	d 560	<b>(287)</b>	178	(295.12%)	(261.24%)
off balance sheet credit instruments					
Revenues (expenses) from transactions with other operating segments of the Bank	16,209	12,891	2,355	25.74%	447.39%
Total fees and commission income, net	28,695	19,821	29,327	44.77%	(32.41%)
Other operating income <sup>(1)</sup>	1,886	2,285	2,080	(17.46%)	9.86%
Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investee	s (70,114)	202,062	40,018	(134.70%)	404.93%
Joint venture impairment (2)	(173,339	)		0.00%	0.00%
Total operating income, net	(196,103	)236,772	73,958	(182.82%)	220.14%
Operating expenses (3)	(34,100)	(26,662)	(22,635	)27.90%	17.79%
Impairment, depreciation and amortization	(133)	(93)	(93)	43.01%	0.00%
Total operating expenses	(34,233)	(26,755)	(22,728)	27.95%	17.72%
Profit before tax	(230,336	210,017	51,230	(209.67%)	309.95%
Segment assets	223,730	215,281	128,301	(3.92%)	67.79%
Segment liabilities	(48,191)	(119,090	(24,886	(59.53%)	378.54%

- (1) Includes derivatives, net foreign exchange, operating leases and gains on sale of assets.

  [2] Includes imparment recognition in joint venture Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A.For more information see Note 7 Investments in associates and joint ventures.
- (3) Includes staff costs, other administration and general expenses, contributions and other tax burdens and others.

### Analysis of 2017 versus 2016

In 2017, profit before taxes for the Investment Banking segment decreased to COP (230) billion from COP 210 billion in 2016. The decrease is mainly explain by the impairment of the TUYA operation by COP 173 billion.

Total interest and valuation decreased by 30.88% to COP 94 million, due to lower investments valuation in debt investments.

Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees, decreased to COP (70) billion from COP 202 billion in 2016, largely due to elimination of intercompanies transactions, as well as, lower generation of net income from some associates.

Total operating expenses increased by 27.95% to COP 34 billion, due to higher cost related to severance packages in personal expenses.

Assets attributable to Investment Banking increased by 3.92% to COP 224 billion.

#### Analysis of 2016 versus 2015

In 2016, profit before taxes for the Investment Banking segment increased to COP 210 billion from COP 51 billion in 2015.

Total interest and valuation decreased by 52.61% to COP 136 million, due to lower investments valuation in debt investments.

Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees, increased to COP 202 billion from COP 40 billion in 2015, due to higher valuations of financial instruments, higher profits in equity investments, and higher dividends received from associates due to higher generation of profits in those associates.

Total operating expenses increased by 17.72% to COP 27 billion, due to higher personal expenses mainly salaries and incentive compensation plan.

Assets attributable to Investment Banking increased by 67.79% to COP 215 billion due to the acquisition of the 50% of the stocks of TUYA S.A. from Bancolombia S.A.

Brokerage: This segment provides brokerage, investment advisory and private banking services to individuals and institutions through Valores Bancolombia S.A. Comisionista de Bolsa. It sells and distributes equities, futures, foreign currencies, fixed income securities, mutual funds and structured products.

	Year e	ended D	ecemb	er 31,	
	2017	2016	2015	Change	Change
				2017-2016	52016-2015
	In mil	lions of	COP		
Total interest and valuation	8,916	17,160	21,157	(48.04%)	(18.89%)
Interest income on loans and financial leases	-	-	-	0.00%	0.00%
Total debt investments	15,147	18,094	14,999	(16.29%)	20.63%
Derivatives	(7,661)	(2,113)	5,161	262.57%	(140.94%)

1,430 1,179 997 21.29% 18.25%

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*Total liquidity operations* 

	Year ended December 31,				
	2017	2016	2015	Change	Change
	2017	2010	2015	2017-2016	52016-2015
	In millio	ns of CO	P		
Interest expenses	<b>(72)</b>	(33)	(652)	118.18%	(94.94%)
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial					
instruments before impairment on loans and financial leases	8,844	17,127	20,505	(48.36%)	(16.47%)
and off balance sheet credit instruments					
Total credit impairment charges, net	(147)	(25)	(177)	488.00%	(85.88%)
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial					
instruments after impairment on loans and financial leases	8,697	17,102	20,328	(49.15%)	(15.87%)
and off balance sheet credit instruments					
Revenues (expenses) from transactions with other operating	53,075	38,677	31,734	37.23%	21.88%
segments of the Bank	33,073	36,077	31,734	31.23/0	21.00 /0
Total fees and commission income, net	96,703	80,060	78,124	20.79%	2.48%
Other operating income (1)	(11,647)	(9,923)	(6,325)	17.37%	56.89%
Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees	12,278	32,567	(1,473)	(62.30%)	(2310.93%)
Total operating income, net	150 106	158,483	122 388	0.30%	29.49%
Operating expenses (2)		)(110,317	•		(0.84%)
Impairment, depreciation and amortization		(1,980)		(29.39%)	55.42%
Total operating expenses		(1,980) )(112,297			(0.21%)
Profit before tax	56,453	<b>46,186</b>	9,859	22.23%	368.47%
Segment assets	194,959	136,471	,	42.86%	(39.08%)
Segment liabilities	,	(51,937)	,		3.23%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes derivatives, net foreign exchange, operating leases and gains on sale of assets.
(2) Includes staff costs, other administration and general expenses, contributions and other tax burdens and others.

# Analysis of 2017 versus 2016

In 2017, profit before taxes for the Brokerage segment increased by 22.23% to COP 56 billion from COP 46 billion in 2016.

Total interest and valuation decreased by 48.04% to COP 9 billion, due to losses in operations relating to debt investments and repos.

Total fees and commission, net increased by 20.79% to COP 97 billion, due to higher volume and repricing strategy of fees related to distribution and intermediation of securities, trust products, investment banking and asset management.

Total operating expenses decreased by 8.59% to COP 103 billion, mainly due to tighter control on expenses during the year.

Assets attributable to the Brokerage segment increased by 42.86% during the year.

### Analysis of 2016 versus 2015

In 2016, profit before taxes for the Brokerage segment increased to COP 46 billion from COP 10 billion in 2015.

Total interest and valuation decreased by 18.89% to COP 17 billion, due to losses in operations relating to futures contracts over securities.

Total fees and commission, net which are the most important component of revenues, increased by 2.48% to COP 80 billion, due to higher fees related to distribution and intermediation of securities, trust products and asset management.

Total operating expenses decreased by 0.21% to COP 112 billion, mainly due to tighter control on expenses during the year.

Assets attributable to the Brokerage segment decreased by 39.08% during the year, mainly driven by the sale of Valores Bancolombia Panama to Banistmo S.A. (Banking Panama segment).

**Off Shore:** This segment provides a complete line of offshore banking services to Colombian and foreign customers through Bancolombia Panamá S.A., Bancolombia Caymán S.A., and Bancolombia Puerto Rico International, Inc. It offers loans to private sector companies, trade financing, leases financing and financing for industrial projects, as well as a complete portfolio of cash management products, such as checking accounts, international collections and payments. Through these subsidiaries, the Bank also offers investment opportunities in U.S. dollars, savings and checking accounts, time deposits, and investment funds to its high net worth clients and private banking customers.

	Year en	ded Decen	nber 31,		
				Change	Change
	2017	2016	2015		
				2017-2016	2016-2015
	In millio	ns of CO	P		
Total interest and valuation	444,649	442,107	291,249	0.57%	51.80%
Interest income on loans and financial leases	412,418	431,381	310,077	(4.40%)	39.12%
Total debt investments	16,329	16,205	15,502	0.77%	4.53%
Derivatives	6,085	(7)	(26,392)	(87028.57%)	(99.97%)
Total liquidity operations	9,817	(5,472)	(7,938)	(279.40%)	(31.07%)
Interest expenses	(226,304	)(252,030	)(215,592	)( <b>10.21</b> %)	16.90%
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial					
instruments before impairment on loans and financial lease	s218,345	190,077	75,657	14.87%	151.24%
and off balance sheet credit instruments					
Total credit impairment charges, net	6,541	(52,294)	(49,830)	(112.51%)	4.94%
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial					
instruments after impairment on loans and financial leases	224,886	137,783	25,827	63.22%	433.48%
and off balance sheet credit instruments					

	Year ended December 31,					
	•04=	•046	•04 =	Change	Change	
	2017	2016	2015	2017-2016	\$ 2016 <sub>-</sub> 2015	
	In millions of COP			2017-2016 2016-2015		
Revenues (expenses) from transactions with other operating segments of the Bank	101,327	99,914	95,495	1.41%	4.63%	
Total fees and commission income, net	16,270	27,502	32,325	(40.84%)	(14.92%)	
Other operating income (1)	5,280	15,961	16,281	(66.92%)	(1.97%)	
Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees	(239,328)	(269,096)	(141,261)	(11.06%)	90.50%	
Total operating income, net	108,435	12,064	28,667	798.83%	(57.92%)	
Operating expenses (2)	(56,593)	(60,688)	(73,425)	(6.75%)	(17.35%)	
Impairment, depreciation and amortization	(967)	(972)	(17,254)	(0.51%)	(94.37%)	
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	(57,560)	(61,660)	(90,679)	(6.65%)	(32.00%)	
Profit before tax	50,875	(49,596)	(62,012)	(202.58%	)(20.02%)	
Segment assets	9,329,498	10,847,782	11,667,606	(14.00%)	(7.03%9	
Segment liabilities	(10,636,804	4)(12,251,502	(14,608,981	)(13.18%)	(16.14%)	

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes derivatives, net foreign exchange, operating leases and gains on sale of assets.
(2) Includes staff costs, other administration and general expenses, contributions and other tax burdens and others.

### Analysis of 2017 versus 2016

In 2017, profit before taxes for the Off Shore segment increased to COP 51 billion.

Total interest and valuation increased by 0.57% to COP 445 billion, driven by higher revenues from overnight and market funds.

Total credit impairment charges, net were COP 6 billion, decreasing by 112.51%. This decrease is mainly explained by the recovery of provision taken in previous years.

Total fees and commission, net decreased by 40.84% to COP 16 billion mainly due to more expensive banking services in Bancolombia Panama.

Total operating expenses decreased by 6.65% to COP 58 billion	ion, mainly due to tighter control on expenses during the
year.	

Assets attributable to the Off Shore segment decreased by 14.00% to COP 9,329 billion.

The jurisdictions where operations of the Off Shore segment are conducted have no corporate income taxes.

# Analysis of 2016 versus 2015

In 2016, profit before taxes for the Off Shore segment decreased by 20.02% to COP 50 billion.

Total interest and valuation increased by 51.80% to COP 442 billion, driven by higher revenues from commercial loans and leasing operations due to higher pricing of loans, as well as higher revenues from debt investments due to higher market interest rates. Interest income from commercial loans grew 42.39% and leasing 25.09%.

Total fees and commission, net decreased by 14.92% to COP 28 billion mainly due to more expensive banking services in Bancolombia Panama.

Other operating income decreased by 1.97% to COP 16 billion, due to losses in forwards COP/USD and other currencies.

Total operating expenses decreased by 32.00% to COP 62 billion, due to tighter control over expenses during the year.

Assets attributable to the Off Shore segment decreased by 7.03% to COP 10,848 billion, as a result of the sale of debt securities of foreign and local issuers and; lower mark to market valuations on interest rates swaps.

The jurisdictions where operations of the Off Shore segment are conducted have no corporate income taxes.

All Other: This segment provides financial and operational leases activities, including cross-border and international leasing services to clients in Colombia, Central America, Mexico and Brazil. Bancolombia offers these services mainly through the following Subsidiaries: Renting Colombia S.A.S., Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C., Transportempo S.A.S. and Capital Investment Safi S.A. This segment also includes results from small operation of particular investment vehicles of Bancolombia: Valores Simesa S.A., BIBA Inmobiliaria S.A.S., Inversiones CFNS S.A.S., Sistema de Inversiones y Negocios S.A. Sinesa, Banagrícola S.A., Inversiones Financieras Banco Agrícola and others.

The investments in Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C. and Capital Investment Safi S.A. are classified as Assets held for sale in the Statement of Financial Position. For further information, see note 12 "Assets held for sale and inventories."

Year ended December 31,

**Change Change** 

2017 2016 2015

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In millions of COP

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**Total interest and valuation** 

Interest income on loans and financial leases

Total debt investments	735	3,145	1,425	(76.63%)	120.70%
Derivatives	(289)	(1,030)	-	(71.94%)	0.00%
Total liquidity operations	(3,245)	2,365	2,371	(237.21%)	(0.25%)
Interest expenses	(85,928	(99,991)	(77,156)	(14.06%)	29.60%
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial					
instruments before impairment on loans and financial leases and	(75,727	(69,692)	35,702	8.66%	(295.20%)
instruments before impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit instruments	(75,727	(69,692)	35,702	8.66%	(295.20%)

	Year ended December 31,				
	2017	2017	2015	Change	Change
	2017	2016	2015	2017-2010	62016-2015
	In millions of COP				0_010_010
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial					
instruments after impairment on loans and financial	(74,031)	(68,821)	32,483	<b>7.57</b> %	(311.87%)
leases and off balance sheet credit instruments					
Revenues (expenses) from transactions with other operating segments of the Bank	(48,931)	(39,721)	(24,263)	23.19%	63.71%
Total fees and commission income, net	12,569	13,724	10,334	(8.42%)	32.80%
Other operating income (1)	874,126	874,978	772,959	(0.10%)	13.20%
Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees	(61,156)	(175,595)	(159,583)	(65.17%)	10.03%
Total operating income, net	702,577	604,565	631,930	16.21%	-4.33%
Operating expenses (2)	(430,212)	(400,243)	(354,811)	7.49%	12.80%
Impairment, depreciation and amortization	(137,377)	(137,672)	(133,401)	(0.21%)	3.20%
Total operating expenses	(567,589)	(537,915)	(488,212)	5.52%	10.18%
Profit before tax	134,988	66,650	143,718	102.53%	(53.62%)
Segment assets	4,773,601	4,600,424	5,203,576	3.76%	(11.59%)
Segment liabilities	(1,440,368	(1,494,960	)(1,581,716	(3.65%)	(5.48%)

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes derivatives, net foreign exchange, operating leases and gains on sale of assets.
(2) Includes staff costs, other administration and general expenses, contributions and other tax burdens and others.

### Analysis of 2017 versus 2016

In 2017, profit before taxes for All Other increased by 102.53% to COP 135 billion.

Other operating income, was stable during the year reaching COP 874 billion in 2017 compared to COP 875 billion in 2016. The smaill increase was due to the growth in operating leases by 11.66% and gains on sale of subsidiaries by 45.97%.

Assets attributable to All Other increased by 3.76% to COP 4,774 billion.

### Analysis of 2016 versus 2015

In 2016, profit before taxes for All Other decreased by 53.62% to COP 67 billion.

Other operating income, which is the most significant revenue line, increased by 13.20% to COP 875 billion, driven by the growth in revenues from services and translation adjustment of the equity investment portfolio.

Assets attributable to All Other decreased by 11.59% to COP 4,600 billion, due to a decrease in debt and equity investments

### B. LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

B.1. LIQUIDITY AND FUNDING

### **Liquidity Management**

The Asset and Liability Management Committee, or ALCO, sets the main policies of liquidity and funding for the Bank in accordance with the Bank's desired statement of financial position structure.

The Bank uses a variety of funding sources to generate liquidity, taking into consideration market conditions, interest rates, liquidity needs and the desired maturity profile of funding instruments. Consequently, policies are designed to achieve an optimal match between assets and liabilities profile regarding maturities, interest rates and currency exposure.

One of the Bank's main strategies is to maintain a solid liquidity position; thus, the Risk Committee has established a minimum amount of liquid assets, based on calculations of maximum expected withdrawals of deposits, disbursements and other obligations in order to guarantee the proper operation of banking activities and protect capital. The ALCO has delegated the short-term liquidity assessment task to the Liquidity Committee, which sets strategies and policies regarding liquidity.

Stress tests scenarios are simulated periodically to assess the Bank's ability to raise funds under adverse market conditions. In addition, the Bank has defined a contingency liquidity plan that allows the organization to raise funds under stressed market scenarios.

### **Liquid Assets**

During 2017, the Bank maintained a solid liquidity position. As mentioned above, the Bank seeks the optimum level of liquid assets to assure not only the proper operation under normal conditions but also to operate under stress market scenarios.

The following table shows the composition of the liquid assets in the last two years:

Liquid Assets<sup>(1)</sup> December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

**High quality Liquid Assets** 

 Cash
 14,793,855
 15,821,823

 High quality liquid securities 7,963,343
 7,844,716

**Other Liquid Assets** 

 Other securities
 1,617,158
 2,557,679

 Total Liquid Assets
 24,374,356
 26,224,218

Liquid assets accepted by the Central Bank for its monetary expansion and contraction operations. Liquid assets are adjusted by a haircut. The following are considered liquid assets: cash, repos held for trading and investments held for trading in listed shares in Colombia's stock exchange, in investment funds units or in other trading debt securities.

High-quality liquid assets are comprised of cash and securities that are eligible collateral for purposes of repurchase transactions, in addition to those liquid assets that the Central Bank receives for its monetary expansion and contraction.

The Bank measures liquid assets on a daily basis and compares this result to an objective target set by the Risk Committee Under this rule, daily liquid assets must be equal to or higher than this target. In the event the limit is not reached, there is a five-day period to increase liquidity levels.

Cash is important to guarantee branch and ATM operations. The Bank's expansion across the Colombian territory requires considerable levels of cash; however, cash levels are daily monitored in order to minimize opportunity costs. Additionally, cash is taken into account in the mandatory bank reserve established by the Central Bank.

Securities that comprise liquid assets are reviewed by the ALCO in light of the Bank's liquidity objective. Even though available for sale and held to maturity debt securities cannot be sold, they can be pledged as collateral in repurchase agreements. Some of them are mandatory investments that can be posted to the Central Bank as collateral.

SFC requires financial entities to have liquid assets greater than the contractual liquidity accumulative one-month gap. This contractual gap reflects the maturity of the current positions of assets and liabilities and does not reflect projections of future operations. The maturity of the loan portfolio for this purpose is affected by the historical default indicator and the maturity of deposits is modeled according to the regulation.

The Bank's management believes that the current level of liquidity is adequate and will seek to maintain its solid deposit base and the access to alternative sources of funding such as borrowings from domestic and international development and commercial banks, repurchase agreements, bond issuances, overnight funds and Central Bank funds, considering market conditions, interest rates and the desired maturity profile of liabilities.

### **Funding Structure**

As of December 31, 2017, the Bank's liabilities reached COP 179,478 billion, a 3.28% increase compared to December 31, 2016. Liabilities denominated in Colombian Pesos increased by 8.77 percentage points, and liabilities denominated in U.S. dollars liabilities decreased by 3.67 percentage points. This change is principally the result of the increase in COP denominated saving accounts, time deposits and repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing, and a decrease in USD denominated borrowings from financial institutions, offset by a decline in COP denominated debt securities and increases in USD denominated checking accounts, interbank deposits and debt securities in issue.

As of December 31, 2017 2016 In millions of COP, except percentages

# **Total funding**

 Peso-denominated
 105,532,42697,019,386

 Dollar-denominated
 73,946,235
 76,764,678

 Total Liabilities
 179,478,661 173,784,064

In 2017, the Bank experienced a growth in deposits which reached COP 131,959 billion at year-end, an increase of COP 7,335 billion, or 5.89% compared to the level at December 31, 2016. COP denominated deposits increased by 8.68%, explained mainly by the rise in COP denominated time deposits and saving accounts, while USD denominated

deposits increased by 1.26% as a result of the rise in USD denominated checking accounts and time deposits. The ratio of deposits to total assets was 64.72%, increasing by 1.22% percentage points compared to 2016.

As of December 31, 2016 2015 In millions of COP Total Deposits 131,959,215 124,624,011

The following table sets forth checking accounts, savings accounts and time deposits as a percentage of the Bank's total liabilities for the years 2017 and 2016.

	2017	2016
Checking deposits	12.3%	12.4%
Time deposits	30.0%	30.4%
Savings deposits	30.2%	28.0%
Other deposits	0.9%	1.0%
<b>Percentage of Total Liabilities</b>	73.4%	71.8%

The Bank's principal sources of funding are deposits, which are mainly composed of checking accounts, time deposits and savings accounts.

Deposits as a percentage of the Bank's total liabilities in 2017 were 73.4%, increasing from 71.8% of total liabilities at year-end 2016.

The ratio of net loans to deposits (including borrowing from commercial banks) was 104.43% at the end of 2017, increasing from 101.11% as compared to 2016. This change is primarily explained by the increase in loans and advances to customers which rose from COP 151,747 billion in 2016 to COP 160,468 billion and the decrease in borrowings from other financial institutions which declined from COP 18,905 billion to COP 13,822 billion in 2017. The bank relied on alternative sources of funding to a greater extent during 2017; COP-denominated repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing rose from COP 1,686 billion to COP 3,210 billion, and USD-denominated debt securities in issue increased from COP 13,206 billion to COP 14,661 billion.

As of December 31, 2017 2016

Net Loans to Deposits 104.43% 101.11%

The Bank funds its operations in part with borrowings from financial institutions which amounted to COP 5,139 billion at the end of 2017, as compared to COP 4,921 billion at the end of 2016. Management believes these borrowings represent a good quality source of funding provided mainly by governmental entities in order to promote lending activities within specific sectors of the Colombian economy.

In addition to the main sources of funding described above, the Bank uses borrowings from other financial institutions and debt securities.

### **Debt securities in issue**

In 2017, Bancolombia and Banistmo issued notes in amounts of USD 750 million and USD 500 million respectively.

As of December 31, 2017, the total outstanding aggregate principal amount of bonds issued by the Bank was COP 19,648 billion.

The following table shows the Bank's debt securities in issue maturity profile:

**2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023** and thereafter Total In millions of COP **Debt securities in issue** 2,132,2421,692,9122,146,1073,554,6415,140,8664,981,946 19,648,714

The following table sets forth the components of the Bank's liabilities for the years 2017 and 2016:

	As of December		
	2017 % of to funding	otal 2016 % of total funding	
	In millions of CO	P, except percentages	
Checking accounts			
Peso-denominated	11,562,9566.4%	11,407,6616.6%	
Dollar-denominated	10,502,6915.9%	10,035,3415.8%	
Total	22,065,64712.3%	21,443,00212.4%	
Time deposits			
Peso-denominated	30,020,91116.7%	28,940,03016.7%	
Dollar-denominated	23,940,67513.3%	23,733,35513.7%	
Total	53,961,58630.0%	52,673,38530.4%	
Savings accounts			
Peso-denominated	41,975,16823.4%	36,354,46520.9%	
Dollar-denominated	12,280,4156.8%	12,339,2377.1%	
Total	54,255,58330.2%	48,693,70228.0%	
Other deposits			
Peso-denominated	818,387 0.4%	932,945 0.5%	
Dollar-denominated	858,012 0.5%	880,977 0.5%	
Total	1,676,399 0.9%	1,813,922 1.0%	

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Interbank Deposits				
Peso-denominated	91,322	0.1%	12,597	0.0%
Dollar-denominated	993,269	0.6%	329,259	0.2%
Total	1,084,591	0.7%	341,856	0.2%
<b>Derivate financial instrument-Liabilities</b>				
Peso-denominated	937,950	0.5%	1,283,481	0.7%
Dollar-denominated	7,903	0.0%	28,969	0.0%
Total	945,853	0.5%	1,312,450	0.7%
Borrowings from other financial institutions (1)				
Peso-denominated	5,139,129	2.9%	4,921,950	2.8%
Dollar-denominated	8,683,023	4.8%	13,983,893	38.0%
Total	13,822,152	27.7%	18,905,843	310.8%
Debt securities in issue				
Peso-denominated	4,987,702	2.8%	5,498,303	3.2%

	As of December			
	2017	% of total funding	2016	% of total funding
	In millions of COP, except percentages			tages
Dollar-denominated	14,661,012	8.2%	13,206,506	7.6%
Total	19,648,714	11.0%	18,704,809	10.8%
Repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing				
Peso-denominated	3,210,674	1.8%	1,686,316	1.0%
Dollar-denominated	25,454	0.0%	237,694	0.1%
Total	3,236,128	1.8%	1,924,010	1.1%
Other liabilities				
Peso-denominated	6,788,227	3.8%	5,981,638	3.5%
Dollar-denominated	1,993,781	1.1%	1,989,447	1.1%
Total	8,782,008	4.9%	7,971,085	4.6%
Total funding				
Peso-denominated	105,532,426	558.8%	97,019,386	55.9%
Dollar-denominated	73,946,235	41.2%	76,764,678	44.1%
Total Liabilities	179,478,661	1 100.0%	173,784,064	1100.0%

### **Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**

The following table shows net cash provided by (used in) operating activities, net cash (used in) provided by investing activities and net cash (used in) provided by financing activities, for the years ended December 31,2017, 2016 and 2015:

	2017	2016	2015
		In millions of COP	•
Operating activities	2,939,588	3,601,418	1,856,726
Investing activities	(1,908,080	)(1,027,627)	141,985
Financing activities	(3,620,909	)(343,839)	(231,474)
(Decrease) Increase in cash and cash equivalents	(2,589,401	)2,229,952	1,767,237

# **Operating Activities**

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes borrowings from commercial banks and other non-financial entities.

In 2017, operating activities resulted in positive net cash as a result of the increase in deposits by customers to COP 8,236 billion and the COP 15,347 billion of interest received. The increase in loans and advances to customers and financial institutions was COP 11,266 billion, compared with COP 10,853 billion and COP 15,036 billion in 2016 and 2015 respectively. The interest paid was COP 5,578 billion of cash in 2017, COP 5,229 billion in 2016 and COP 3,771 billion in 2015. The value of investment securities recognized at fair value through profit and losses decreased by COP 1,599 billion in 2017, while in 2016 and 2015 it increased by COP 1,485 billion and COP 1,729 billion respectively.

Net income has been positive; COP 2,754 billion, COP 2,954 billion and COP 2,608 billion for 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

### **Investing Activities**

In 2017, 2016 and 2015, investing activities used cash. Purchases of debt securities at amortized cost used COP 3,122 billion in 2017, COP 2,077 billion in 2016 and COP 1,768 billion in 2015; and the purchases of premises and equipment and investment properties used COP 1,132 billion in 2017, compared with COP 1,082 used in 2016 and COP 961 billion used in 2015. Proceeds from maturities of debt securities at amortized cost provided COP 2,167 billion in 2017, COP 2,365 in 2016 and COP 1,713 in 2015.

Investing activities related to equity securities and interests in associates and joint ventures used net cash of COP 298 billion and COP 434 billion during 2017 and 2016 respectively, while in 2015 provided net cash of COP 219 billion.

Investing activities related to purchases and sales of premises and equipment and investment properties used net cash of COP 563 billion, compared with COP 530 billion used during 2016, and COP 672 billion in 2015.

#### **Financing Activities**

Financing activities required cash during 2017. Proceeds from borrowings from other financial institutions provided COP 12,190 billion in 2017, COP 13,594 billion in 2016 and COP 13,533 billion in 2015. The placement of debt securities in issue provided COP 3,013 billion in 2017, COP 3,039 in 2016 and COP 2,452 in 2015. The repayment of borrowings used COP 17,042 billion in 2017, compared with COP 13,744 used in 2016 and COP 13,132 used in 2015; and the payments of debt securities in issue used COP 1,969 billion during 2017, COP 3,099 billion during 2016 and COP 1,372 during 2015. Cash was also used to pay dividends to stockholders in the amount of COP 1,126 billion, while in 2016 and 2015 this amount was COP 840 billion and COP 785 billion, respectively.

The increase in repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing provided COP 1,313 billion, compared with the COP 706 billion provided in 2016 and the COP 898 billion used in 2015.

### **Capital Adequacy**

The Bank and its subsidiaries comply with the capital adequacy requirements in their respective countries of operation.

Stockholders' equity attributable to the owners of the parent company amounted to COP 23,112 billion at December 31, 2017, up 8.68% from COP 21,268 billion at December 31, 2016. This increase reflects the net effect of dividend payments, earnings during the year 2017 and all the other transactions that directly affect the stockholders' equity attributable to the owners of the parent company.

The Bank's capital adequacy ratio on a consolidated basis was 14.18% as of December 31, 2017, up from 13.26% in 2016. This increase is the result of the appropiation of earnings in 2017, after giving effect to the payment of dividends which enhanced the Tier 1 position of the bank, as well as the issuance of hybrid bonds that replaced old subordinated instruments and enhanced the Tier 2 ratio.

The Bank's capital adequacy ratio exceeded the requirements of the Colombian government and the SFC by 518 basis points. The basic capital ratio (Tier 1) was 10.15% and the tangible capital ratio, which is equal to the ratio of the difference between equity and goodwill and intangible assets to tangible assets, was 8.22% at the end of 2017. For a full description of our capital adequacy requirements, please see Item 4. "Information on the Company – B. Business Overview – B.8 –Supervision and Regulation".

The following table sets forth certain information regarding the Bank's consolidated capital adequacy as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

	•	As of December 31,
	2017	2016
	·	except percentages
Long-term senior indebtedness	12,662,987	12,031,505
Subscribed capital	480,914	480,914
Legal reserve	17,157,521	14,719,576
Non-controlling interest	1,146,355	1,040,521
Financial statements translation adjustment	3,437,175	2,994,508
Less:		
Long-term investments	(185,579)	(185,579)
Intangibles assets acquired after August 23, 2012	(4,003,643)	(4,007,543)
Primary capital (Tier I)	18,032,743	15,042,397
Subordinated bonds (1)	4,747,727	6,673,304
Hybrid bonds <sup>(1)</sup>	2,238,000	-
Other comprenhensive income related to investments at fair value	(12,434)	(12,434)
Non-controlling interest	170,231	168,876
Legal reserve <sup>(3)</sup>	-	239,702
Computed secondary capital (Tier II)	7,143,524	7,069,448
Technical Capital (2)	25,176,267	22,111,845
Capital Ratios		
Primary capital to risk-weighted assets (Tier I)	10.15%	9.02%
Secondary capital to risk-weighted assets (Tier II)	4.03%	4.24%
Risk-weighted assets including market risk	177,600,261	166,781,426
Technical capital to risk-weighted assets (4)	14.18%	13.26%

<sup>(1)</sup> For further information see Note 17. Debt securities in issue.

<sup>(2)</sup> Technical capital is the sum of basic and additional capital.

Pursuant to Decree 2336 of 1995, a reserve was established until 2016 for profits related to the valuation of investmentes held for trading purposes by the Bank.

<sup>(4)</sup> Capital adequacy is technical capital divided by risk weighted assets.

#### **B.2.FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND TREASURY ACTIVITIES**

The Bank's treasury division is in charge of the trading desks in Colombia, Banistmo, Banco Agrícola, Bancolombia Panamá, Bancolombia Caymán, Bancolombia Puerto Rico, and Grupo Agromercantil. It is responsible for the execution of all transactions in domestic and foreign currencies legally authorized in Colombia and all the countries where the Bank has a presence. These include derivative transactions, purchase and sale of fixed income securities and indexed securities, repurchase or resale transactions, short sales, temporary securities transfers, simultaneous transactions and transactions on the foreign exchange market.

The Bank monitors treasury division activities through policies regarding the management of liquidity, market, legal, credit and operational risks. Such policies are monitored by the Vice-President of Risk Management. With the aim to control market and liquidity risks, the Bank sets limits intended to keep its exposure levels and losses within certain ranges determined by the Bank's Board of Directors. The Bank's investment policies do not include restrictions regarding the maturity of the securities held in the portfolio, except for those related to the liquidity portfolio and over the counter ("OTC") derivatives transactions held by Bancolombia and Banistmo.

Before taking any additional positions, the Bank's treasury division also verifies, with respect to investments in domestic and in foreign currencies, the availability of funds for investment and each investment's compatibility with the Bank's liquidity structure.

As further described in Item 11. "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk", the market risk stated in the treasury book is measured using methodologies of value at risk (VaR), and the position limits are based on the results of these methodologies. The Bank has defined VaR limits for Bancolombia, Valores Bancolombia, Banistmo, Banco Agrícola and Bancolombia Panamá, Bancolombia Caymán and Bancolombia Puerto Rico, that follow a hierarchical structure, which avoids the concentration of market risk in certain groups of assets and also takes advantage of portfolio diversification. In addition to VaR limits, the Bank uses stop loss advisories to inform senior management when losses are close to certain established thresholds in the trading book. Moreover, for the options portfolio in Bancolombia, the Bank has set limits based on the sensitivity of the portfolio to the underlying volatility, underlying foreign currency and interest rates.

As part of its operations, the Bank holds cash and cash equivalents primarily in Colombian pesos, U.S. dollars and Guatemalan quetzals. These positions, as well as any other currency position, are determined by the treasury division in connection with the Bank's currency risk assessment and management. Specifically, the Bank's exposure to foreign currency risk primarily arises from changes in the U.S. dollar/COP exchange rate. The exposure to currency risk is managed by the Bank's treasury division. The Bank uses VaR calculations to limit the exposure to foreign currency risk of its balance sheet in Bancolombia and Valores Bancolombia. In Banistmo the foreign currency risk limits are based on the net position in each currency. These limits are supervised on a daily basis by the Bank's Market Risk Management Office. The Bank's treasury division manages a derivative portfolio in Bancolombia and Banistmo which includes forward agreements in foreign currency with the purpose, among others, of hedging its overall currency exposure.

### **B.3. COMMITMENT FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURES**

See Item 4. "Information on the Company - A. History and Development of the Company – Capital Acquisitions and Divestitures".

## C.RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, PATENTS AND LICENSES, ETC.

Not Applicable

#### **D. TREND INFORMATION**

During 2017, net interest and valuation income grew 0.38% as credit volume growth slowed compared to 2016. Total credit impairment charges, net increased significantly over the past year. Future levels of loan volumes, interest margins and cost of credit will be key drivers of the Bank's performance. The following is a brief discussion of recent trends with regard to those three elements.

### **Loan Volume Performance**

Gross loans and financial leases (i.e., before allowance for loans and financial lease losses) increased 5.75% during 2017.

2017 a year of moderation for the Colombian economy. The dynamics of loan growth are reflected in Colombia, where the loan portfolio grew 8.77%. During 2017, commercial loans grew 3.17%, consumer loans grew 15.55%, mortgages increased 7.08%, and Small Business Loans expanded 0.08%.

Economic growth in El Salvador was slow in 2017. Banco Agrícola's loan book expanded only 0.29%, as there was weak demand from corporates and individuals due to the weaker macroeconomic conditions in the country. This slow growth generated a negative effect in the Bank's overall book.

Credit demand in Banistmo was moderate and the loan book grew 2.76%. This was due to the slowdown in economic growth over the last year.

Loan growth in Guatemala was the highest in Central America, totaling 5.09% for 2017. Guatemala is Central America's largest country, and provides a favorable growth environment.

Foreign-denominated loans increased 1.58% during 2017. Corporations in Colombia demanded less dollar funding in a weaker economic environment, but this was offset by credit demand in Panamá and Guatemala, which contributed to a net expansion of the dollar denominated portfolio.

Credit demand is expected to increase in 2018 as the Colombian economy recovers and grows at a faster pace. Corporate credit, in particular, is forecasted to pick up in the second half of 2018, as companies should start conducting more capital investment programs and consumers recover from 2017 increase in value added taxes.

#### **Net Interest Margin and Valuation**

The majority of the Bank's loan book has a variable rate (80% of loans have a maturity of more than one year and earn interest at variable rates) and the re-pricing pace of our assets tends to be faster than that of our liabilities. The decrease in the bank's cost of funding during the year contributed to the stabilization of the Bank's net interest margins, in an environment of interest rate cuts. Similarly, the faster growth in consumer loans and the good performance of investments, contributed to a mild increase in margins. As a result, the net interest and valuation income after provisions for loans, financial leases and off-balance sheet credit instruments margin from continuing operations increased from 5.96% in 2016 to 6.07% in 2017.

The bank's strategy during the year was to support the net interest margin and valuation on financial instruments by optimizing the cost of funding. For this purpose, the bank has focused on increasing the proportion of average demand deposits (savings and checking accounts); reducing the cost of long term debt by rolling over the bonds; and finally, reducing the duration and cost of the Certificates of Deposits in Colombia.

More liquidity, a more favorable deposit mix (one with a greater proportion of demand deposits) and consistent increases in the interest rates in the U.S. economy point towards improving net interest margins in 2018 in the Bank's dollar denominated loan portfolio, whereas the net interest margin in the peso denominated loan book is expected to contract as a result of recent and additional likely upcoming cuts in the Central Bank's reference rate.

#### Cost of credit

For the year 2017, the cost of credit was 2.22% of average loans, which represents an increase when compared to the 1.84% and 1.3% shown in 2016 and 2015, respectively. This credit cost increase was explained by deterioration of certain corporate clients, new past due loans in small and medium enterprise exposures and to some extent deterioration of the consumer portfolio. Cost of risk is expected to decline slightly during 2018, with a similar amount of provisions in nominal terms.

#### E.OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

The following are the off-balance sheet arrangements in which the Bank is involved: standby letters of credit, letters of credit and bank guarantees.

Letters of credit and bank guarantees are conditional commitments issued by the Bank to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. The Bank typically has recourse to recover from the customer any amounts paid under these guarantees. In addition, the Bank may hold cash or other highly liquid collateral to support these guarantees. We include these guarantees in our impairment loss allowance assessment with other forms of credit exposure amounting to COP 6,854 million, COP (87,442) million and COP (7,421) million, for the years ended as of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Those off-balance sheet arrangements are required to be considered into the total solvency ratio computation. As of December 31, 2017, the total Bank's technical capital ratio was 14.18%, exceeding the requirements of the Colombian government and the SFC by 518 basis points. In the event the off-balance sheet arrangements were not considered in the computation, the total ratio would be boosted by approximately 108 basis points.

As of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, the fees and other income related to Guarantees and Standby letters of credits amounted to COP 55,365 million, COP 55,724 million and COP 44,539 million, respectively.

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, outstanding letters of credits and bank guarantees issued by the Bank totaled COP 6,926,496 million and COP 6,609,254 million, respectively. Additionally, the Banks is not involved in any interest retained and other indebtedness related to those instruments besides the credit risk aforementioned.

The table below summarizes all guarantees issued by the Bank as of December 31, 2017 and 2016. The total amount outstanding represents maximum potential amount (notional amounts) that could be lost under the guarantees if there were a total default by the guaranteed parties, without consideration of possible recoveries under recourse provisions or from collateral held or pledged. Such amounts greatly exceed anticipated losses.

Unused credit lines amounted to COP 13,656,721 million and COP 9,404,528 million at December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Off-balance Sheet Arrangements	•		Expire after one year at December 31,		Total amount outstanding at December 31,		Maximum potential amount of future losses at December 31,	
	2017 In million	2016 ns of COP	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
Bank guarantees and letters of credit				1,745,658	6,926,49	966,609,25	46,926,496	6,609,254
Total	5,337,298	34,863,596	51,589,198	1,745,658	6,926,49	066,609,25	46,926,496	6,609,254

For more information on standby letters of credit and bank guarantees, please see Note 20, "Provisions and Contingent Liabilities" and Note 24.3, "Fees and Commissions" to Consolidated Financial Statements.

### F. TABULAR DISCLOSURE OF CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

The following table shows the Bank's contractual obligations as of December 31, 2017:

<b>Contractual Obligations</b>	Total	Less than 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	More than 5 years
	In million	s of COP			
Time deposits (1)	53,961,586	636,307,864	10,579,471	15,404,748	1,669,503
Debt securities in issue	19,648,71	42,132,242	3,839,019	8,695,507	4,981,946
Borrowings from other financial institutions	13,822,152	27,614,591	1,173,504	2,217,420	2,816,637
Derivative financial liabilities	945,853	292,911	328,935	120,349	203,658
Post-employment benefit plans	786,130	71,154	136,601	162,650	415,725
Operating Lease Obligations	7,171	3,389	3,782	-	-
Total	89,171,60	646,422,151	16,061,312	216,600,674	110,087,469

<sup>(1)</sup> Savings and checking accounts and other deposits do not have a specific maturity date and therefore are excluded from this table.

The amounts shown in the table include interest costs on debt. The Bank does not have any uncertain tax positions to report.

Our liabilities recognized on the consolidated statement of financial position as Deposits by customers other than time deposits, Interbank deposits, Repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing, Preferred shares and Other liabilities are not presented in the table above. Refer to Notes 14, 15 and 19 to Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on these liabilities.

### G. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES

The preparation of consolidated financial statements requires the Bank's management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the recognized amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

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

Judgments or changes in assumptions are disclosed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements. Management bases its estimates and judgments on historical experience and on various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under current circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates if assumptions and conditions change.

The critical accounting policies that the Bank uses in preparing its consolidated financial statements are detailed below:

#### 1. Impairment testing of CGU including goodwill:

The Bank tests goodwill recognized upon business combinations for impairment at least annually. The impairment test for goodwill involves estimates and significant judgments, including the identification of cash generating units and the allocation of goodwill based on the expectations of which the Bank will benefit from the acquisition. The fair value of the acquired companies is sensitive to changes in the valuation models assumptions. Adverse changes in any of the factors underlying these assumptions could lead the Bank to record a goodwill impairment charge. Management believes that the assumptions and estimates used are reasonable and supportable in the existing market environment and commensurate with the risk profile of the assets valued. See Note 8, for further information related to carrying amount, valuation methodologies, key assumptions and the allocation of goodwill.

#### 2. Deferred tax:

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded on deductible or levied temporary differences originating between tax and accounting bases, taking into account the valid tax rules applicable in each country where the Bank has operations. Due to the changing conditions of the political, social and economic environment, the constant

amendments to tax legislation and the permanent changes in the tax principles, determining the tax bases for the deferred tax involves difficult judgments to estimate future gains, offsets or tax deductions.

The determination of the deferred tax is considered a crucial accounting policy, since its determination involves future estimations of gains that may be affected by changes in economic, social and political conditions, and tax authorities.

For more information relating to the nature of deferred tax assets and liabilities recognized by the Bank, please see Note 11.

### 3. Provisions and contingent liabilities:

The Bank is subject to contingent liabilities, including those arising from judicial, regulatory and arbitration proceedings and tax and other claims arising from the conduct of the Bank's business activities. These contingencies are evaluated based on management's best estimates and provisions are established for legal and other claims by assessing the likelihood of the loss actually occurring as probable, possible or remote. Provisions are recorded when all the information available indicates that it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation before the statement of financial position date and the amounts may be reasonably estimated. The Bank engages internal and external experts in assessing probability and in estimating any amounts involved.

Throughout the life of a contingency, the Bank may learn of additional information that can affect assessments regarding probability or the estimates of amounts involved; changes in these assessments can lead to changes in recorded provisions.

The Bank considers the estimates used to determine the provisions for contingent liabilities are critical estimates because the probability of their occurrence and the amounts that the Bank may be required to pay are based on the Bank's judgment and its internal and external experts, which will not necessarily coincide with the future outcome of the proceedings. For further information regarding legal proceedings and contingencies and its carrying amounts. See Note 20.

#### 4. Impairment for credit risk:

Determining the allowance for loan losses requires a significant amount of management judgment and estimates in, among others, identifying impaired loans, determining customers' ability to pay and estimating the fair value of underlying collateral or the expected future cash flows to be received. The Bank assesses if an asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and if impairment losses are incurred if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (a 'loss event') and that loss event (or events) has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated.

The estimates are considered as critical accounting judgments because: (i) they are highly susceptible to change from period to period as the assumptions about future default rates and valuation of potential losses relating to impaired loans and advances are based on recent performance experience, and (ii) any significant difference between the Bank's estimated losses (as reflected in the provisions) and actual losses would require the Bank to record provisions which, if significantly different, could have a material impact on its future financial condition and results of operations. The Bank's assumptions about estimated losses are based on past performance, past customer behavior, the credit quality of

recent underwritten business and general economic conditions, which are not necessarily an indication of future losses.

## 5. Fair value of financial assets and liabilities:

Financial assets and liabilities recorded at fair value on the Bank's statement of financial position include debt and equity securities and derivatives classified at fair value through profit or loss and equity securities which the Bank has made an irrevocable election to present in other comprehensive income changes in its fair value.

To increase consistency and comparability in fair value measurements and related disclosures, IFRS 13 *Fair value measurement* specifies different levels of inputs that may be used to measure the fair value of financial instruments. In accordance with this standard, financial instruments are classified as follows:

**Level 1:** Assets and liabilities are classified as Level 1 if there are observable inputs that reflect quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets. An active market is one in which transactions occur with sufficient volume and frequency to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

Instruments are valued by reference to unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets where the quoted price is readily available, and the price represents actual and regularly occurring market transactions.

**Level 2:** Assets and liabilities are classified as Level 2 if in the absence of a market price for a specific financial instrument, its fair value is estimated using models whose input data are observable for recent transactions of identical or similar instruments.

**Level 3:** Assets and liabilities are classified as level 3 if unobservable input data were used in the measurement of fair value that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of these assets or liabilities.

All transfers between the aforementioned levels are assumed to occur at the end of the reporting period

The measurement of the fair value of financial instruments generally involves a higher degree of complexity and requires the application of judgments especially when the models use unobservable inputs (level 3) based on the assumptions that would be used in the market to determinate the price for assets or liabilities.

For further details, as carrying amount and sensitivity disclosures, please see Note 29 "Fair value of assets and liabilities".

For the periods ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 there have been no significant changes in estimates and judgements made at end-year other than those indicated in financial statements.

## 6. Measurement of Employee benefits:

The measurement of post-employment benefit obligations and long-term employee benefits carries a wide variety of premises and it is dependent upon a series of assumptions of future events. The projected unit credit method is used to determine the present value of the obligation for the defined benefits and its associated cost. Future measurements of obligations may differ to those presented in the financial statements, among others, due to changes in economic and demographic assumptions and significant events. For further information, see Note 18.

#### 7. Consolidation of structured entities:

Structured entity (SE) is an entity that has been designed so that voting or similar rights are not the dominant factor in deciding who controls the entity, such as when any voting rights relate to administrative tasks only and the relevant activities are directed by means of contractual arrangements.

To determine whether the Bank controls and consequently consolidates an entity that has been designed as a SE, the Bank assesses the design and the purpose of the entity. It is also considered whether the Bank, or another involved party with power over the relevant activities, is acting as a principal in its own right or as an agent on behalf of others.

Whenever there is a change in the substance of the relationship with the SE the Bank performs a re-assessment of control to determine if consolidation is applicable.

The total assets of unconsolidated SE in which the Bank had an interest at the reporting date and its maximum exposure to loss in relation to those interests is presented in Note 23 unconsolidated structured entities.

### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

New accounting standards are effective for annual periods beginning after January 1, 2018. Although earlier application is permitted, we have not early adopted the new or amended standards in preparing these consolidated financial statements. Of the new standards only IFRS 9 and IFRS 16 are expected to have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements in the period of initial application.

**IFRS 9, Financial Instruments:** In July 2014 the IASB issued the final version of IFRS 9 that completed the replacement project of IAS 39 –Financial instruments recognition, classification and measurement. IFRS 9 mainly introduces new criteria for classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets and liabilities, impairment requirements related to expected loss accounting and hedge accounting. The effective application of the final version of this IFRS will commence on January 1, 2018.

• Classification and measurement: IFRS 9 establishes the categories amortized cost, fair value through profit or loss and fair value with changes in other comprehensive income to classify financial assets, based on the entity's business model for managing such assets and the characteristics of the flows that they grant. The last category has been introduced for individual simple debt instruments and equity instruments for which the entity irrevocably designates

its variations in other comprehensive income from the initial recognition.

The classification of financial liabilities and their subsequent measurement has remained unchanged in relation to IAS 39, except for those liabilities designated at fair value through profit and loss for which it is stipulated how to account for the changes in the credit risk in other comprehensive income.

The Bank has early adopted IFRS 9 as issued in November 2013, which includes only Fair value through profit or loss and amortized cost as measurement categories attributable to financial assets, based on the business model and the contractual cash flow characteristics. In addition, the Bank has adopted the option to make an irrevocable election at initial recognition for particular investments in equity instruments and present subsequent changes in fair value in other comprehensive income.

The following table summarizes the main items of the Bank's balance sheet representing financial assets and their classification under IFRS 9, 2013 and indicates the expected classifications once the Bank is applying IFRS 9, 2014:

	Janua		eation before 0, 2013	Classification after January 1, 2018 with adoption of IFRS 9, 2014		
Assets	AC*	FVPL**	FVOCI***	CA*	FVPL**	FVOCI***
Cash and cash equivalents		X			X	
Credit portfolio and financial leasing	X			X		
Debt securities	X	X		X	X	X
Equity investments		X			X	
Investments in associates and joint ventures at fair value			X			X

<sup>\*</sup>AC = Amortized cost

**Impairment:** IFRS 9 makes significant changes in the assessment of the impairment of the value of financial instruments and therefore their associated risk, going from an incurred loss model to one of expected credit loss. This new regulation also proposes the definition of a model that identifies a Significant Increase in Credit Risk (SICR) in an instrument prior to the identification of objective evidence of impairment (EOD) and for which a loss, the life time of the asset should be measured.

In this regard, the Bank established quantitative and qualitative criteria through which it is possible to identify significant increases in the credit risk of an instrument.

The impairment-related requirements apply for financial assets measured at amortized cost and fair value with changes in OCI (FVOCI), whose business model is intended to receive contractual and / or sale flows (as for lease accounts receivable, loan commitments and financial guarantees).

The Bank, in accordance with IFRS 9, estimates the Expected Credit Loss (ECL) based on the present value of the difference between contractual cash flows and expected cash flows of the instrument, estimated through collective methodologies or individual analysis. The ECL amount will be updated on each presentation date to reflect changes in the portfolio's credit risk since the initial recognition.

<sup>\*\*</sup>FVPL = Fair value with changes in results

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>FVOCI= Fair value with changes in other comprehensive results.

The necessary adaptations to IFRS 9 were made through a methodological implementation plan, including the changes required in its provision calculation model, in order to comply with the expected impairment and loss requirements established by the international standard. For this purpose, new processes and procedures were created, impairment policies were updated and a control environment aligned with the SOX requirements was designed.

Impairment measurements were made through collective and individual evaluation models, with sufficient sophistication required for each portfolio. Collective models include parameters of probability of default at 12 months, life time probability of default, loss given default and exposure at default with the inclusion of the prospective criteria. The individual analysis methodology is applied in significant exposures and includes the evaluation of weighted loss scenarios, taking into account the macroeconomic expectations and the particular conditions of each debtor.

**Hedge accounting:** These requirements align hedge accounting more closely with risk management, establish a more principle-based approach to hedge accounting and address inconsistencies and weaknesses in the hedge accounting model in IAS 39. Entities have been provided with an accounting policy option between applying the hedge accounting requirements of IFRS 9 or continuing with the application of the existing hedge accounting requirements of IAS 39 for all hedge accounting, as the project on macro hedge accounting has not yet been completed. In consequence, the Bank opted for continuing the application of IAS 39 requirements for hedge accounting.

**Impact of IFRS 9 transition:** The impact of the adoption of IFRS 9 is recognized in the initial equity as of January 1, 2018 and was estimated based on calculations made in the consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2017; as a result an increase was observed in the Bank's allowance, which ranged between COP 470 billion and COP 730 billion. This estimate could vary mainly due to:

- ·Estimates of ECL models (Expected Credit Loss) are being refined.
- •The Bank is finalizing the tests and evaluations of the controls of the new systems and processes.

**IFRS 15, Revenue from Contracts with Customers:** On May 28, 2014, the IASB published IFRS 15, which sets forth the principles of presentation of useful financial information about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of the income and cash flows generated from the contracts of an entity with its clients. IFRS 15 establishes that an entity recognizes revenue from ordinary activities so they can represent the transfer of goods or services committed with customers in exchange for an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for such assets or services. IFRS 15 replaces IAS 11 - Construction contracts, IAS 18 - Income from ordinary activities, as well as related interpretations. This rule is effective for the period beginning on January 1, 2018, allowing its early application. It is expected that a significant proportion of Bank revenues will be outside the scope of IFRS 15, since most of the revenue comes from the operation of financial instruments.

In the process of implementing IFRS 15, the Bank reviewed existing contractual arrangements with clients, in order to establish the impacts on the separation of the components included in them. For this purpose, the following activities were carried out:

Evaluation of promised services in contracts, identifying performance obligations.

Evaluation of the performance obligations of each contract and whether there are impacts for compliance with the new standard.

Analysis of concessions, incentives, bonuses, price adjustments clauses, penalties, discounts and refunds or similar elements contained in the agreements made.

Identification of possible variable compensations included in the contracts and determination as to whether the recognition of the same is being carried out appropriately.

Analysis of loyalty programs with customers and packages (product grouping) and whether they have impacts for compliance with the new standard.

Identification and determination of internal post-implementation controls to ensure compliance with accounting and disclosure requirements based on new products and services that are developed within the Bank to meet the financial needs of its customers.

At the date of initial application, the Bank evaluated the contracts and commitments established with clients, identifying compliance with the five steps established in IFRS 15 and evaluating the impact on recognition within their Financial Statements, as follows:

**Identification of the contract with the customer**: the parties' rights, payment conditions, evaluation of the **1.**commercial basis, characteristics of the compensations were identified and it was evaluated if there were modifications or combinations that applied.

**2. Identification of the contract obligations:** The Bank evaluated the commitments included in the entity's contracts to identify when the customer makes use of the service and whether the obligations are identifiable separately.

**Price Setting:** The characteristics of the amounts to which the agreed services were exchanged were reviewed in the **3.** Bank's contracts, in order to estimate the effect of the variable consideration in kind, or others payable to the customer.

**4. Price Distribution:** In the evaluation of prices to the Bank's contracts, it was found that these are designated individually to the services provided by the entity, even in the products where there are commitments packaged.

**Satisfaction of the Obligations:** The obligations established in contracts with customers are satisfied when the control of the service is transferred to the customer and the recognition is performed as established in IFRS 15 over time or at a given time, given the above, the Bank does not have a significant impact in the recognition of the income since the recognition is done as indicated in the standard.

The Bank has evaluated and updated its internal controls over financial reporting in regards to the identification of contracts. In particular, it assessed the characteristics of performance obligations to ensure that the recognition of income is adequately carried out in light of the standard.

In carrying out the above activities, it was identified that there are no impacts that generate changes to income recognition for the Bank given that current accounting procedures are in accordance with the IFRS 15 requirements. Therefore, there is no financial effect as a result of the implementation of the new standard, The Bank is adjusting the disclosures to comply with the requirements of IFRS 15.

**IFRS 16, Leases:** In January, 2016, the IASB issued IFRS 16 to replace IAS 17. Accounting for finance leases will remain substantially the same. Operating leases will be brought on balance sheet through the recognition of assets representing the contractual rights of use and liabilities will be recognized for the contractual payments. Applying that model, a lessee is required to recognize:

- Assets and liabilities for all leases with a term of more than 12 months, unless the underlying asset is of low value; and
  - (b) Depreciation of lease assets separately from interest on lease liabilities in the statement of income.

Management is evaluating the impact of the adoption of IFRS 16 on the Bank, in its financial position statement and disclosures. The Bank expects to apply this standard when it become effective on January 1, 2019.

To date, an inventory of active contracts has been made in order to determine which will impact the implementation of the standard and then quantify such impact. Likewise, the most optimum technological alternative is being evaluated to enable the administration of the information and ensure proper registration according to the requirements of the standard.

For further information about the Bank's accounting policies read Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, "Significant Accounting Policies".

### ITEM 6. DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND EMPLOYEES

#### A.DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

The following persons acted as directors and senior managers of the Bank:

#### **Directors**

David Emilio Bojanini García was born in 1956. Mr. Bojanini holds a degree in industrial engineering from Universidad de los Andes and an MBA with emphasis on actuary from University of Michigan. He has held several positions in the private sector such as CEO of Administradora de Fondos de Pensiones y Cesantías Protección S.A. from 1991 to 2006, and Gerente Actuaría in Suramericana de Seguros S.A. where he worked for 11 years. He has been CEO of Grupo de Inversiones Suramericana S.A. since 2006. Mr. Bojanini is a member of the following boards of directors: Grupo Nutresa S.A., Bancolombia S.A., Grupo Argos S.A., Suramericana S.A. and SURA Asset Management S.A.

Gonzalo Alberto Pérez Rojas was born in 1958. Mr. Pérez holds a law degree from Universidad de Medellín and a post-graduate degree in insurance from Swiss Re, Zurich and a CEO management program certificate from the Kellogg School of Management. He is CEO of Suramericana S.A. and has held different management positions at Compañía Suramericana de Seguros S.A. since 1981, such as Vice President of Corporate Businesses and Vice President of Insurance and Capitalization.

Hernando José Gómez Restrepo was born in 1957. Mr. Gómez holds a cum laude degree in economics from Universidad de los Andes. He is a PhD candidate in economics and holds a Master's in philosophy and arts and a post-graduate degree in currency, banking and international economics from Yale University. Mr. Gómez has been a Professor at Universidad de los Andes and INALDE Business School, and an Assistant Professor at Yale University. He has held the position of member of the Board of Governors of the Central Bank, CEO of Consejo Privado de Competitividad, Chief of the Colombian Government Negotiation Team for the Free Trade Agreement with the United States of America, the National Planning Director of Colombia, among other positions. Mr. Gómez is an independent member of the Bank's Board of Directors since his appointment in 2013.

Roberto Steiner Sampedro was born in 1959. Mr. Steiner holds a bachelor's degree in economics from the Universidad de los Andes and is a PhD candidate from Columbia University. Mr. Steiner has held several positions at the Central Bank, such as Director of the Economic's Research Department. He has also served as Deputy Director and Executive Director at Fedesarrollo, Director of the Economic Development Studies Center at the Universidad de los Andes. He is currently a Research Associate at Fedesarrollo. Mr. Steiner has been a Professor at Universidad de los Andes, Columbia University, Universidad Javeriana and Universidad Nacional as well as Visiting Scholar at the IMF and at Lehigh University. He has been a consultant for the IDB, the World Bank, the IMF and the ECLAC.

Luis Fernando Restrepo Echavarría was born in 1958. Mr. Restrepo holds a bachelor's degree in industrial management from the Georgia Institute of Technology and a Master's degree in business administration from the University of Chicago. He has held several positions in the Marmon Group of Chicago, and was also a part of the Leadership Rotational Program in Chicago at the Rego Company (Production planning and industrial engineering), Hammond Organ Company (accountability) and Marmom Keystone (sales). He began in Crystal S.A.S as International Vice President, then he became an Executive Vice President until 2003, and since 2004 he has acted as CEO.

Arturo Condo Tamayo was born in 1967. Mr. Condo has a PhD in business strategy and competitiveness from Harvard Business School, and holds degree in Electric Engineering from Escuela Superior Politecnica del Litoral Ecuador. He also obtained a Master's degree in business administration from INCAE. Mr. Condo is a professor and held the position of principal of INCAE Business School between 2007 and 2015. Previously, he was the dean of masters, the Dean of Research and Development and Director of the Centro Latinoamericano para la Competitividad y el Desarrollo Sostenible (CLACDS). He is currently a consultant in companies located in Latin America and Asia in strategic planning and competitiveness strategy. He has also been consultant of multilateral organizations as Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and the World Bank. He is the CEO of Keyword Centroamérica, a strategic information company he created in 2014.

Andrés Felipe Mejía Cardona was born in 1962. Mr. Mejía is an economist from Michigan University. He holds certificates in strategic planning from Barcelona University, senior management from Universidad de los Andes and Expro program in business administration from Centrum Bevordering Import Ontw.Landn, in Rotterdam. He has been the CEO of MU Mecanicos Unidos S.A.S since 1983.

For additional information regarding the Board of Directors and its functions, see Item 10 "Additional Information – B. Memorandum and Articles of Association – Board of Directors".

#### **Senior Management**

Juan Carlos Mora Uribe was born in 1965. He has been the CEO of Bancolombia since May 2016. Prior to his appointment as CEO of Bancolombia, he was the Corporate Innovation and Digital Transformation Vice President since 2015. He holds a B.A degree from Universidad Eafit and an M.B.A degree from Babson College. Mr. Mora has experience in diverse areas of corporate finance and investment banking and was Vice President of Operations of Corporación Financiera Nacional y Suramericana S.A. in 2004. Most recently, Mr. Mora performed the role of Vice President of Risk in 2005, and then he was appointed as Chief Corporate Services Officer until 2015.

Jaime Alberto Velasquez Botero was born in 1960. He has been the Vice President of Strategy and Finance of Bancolombia since April 2012. Previously, he held the position of Vice President of Finance of Bancolombia from 1997 to 2012. From 1989 through 1997, he held several managerial positions in the Economic Department and Investor Relations Department of the Bank. Previously, he worked at C.I. Banacol from 1987 to 1989. Mr. Velásquez holds an economics degree from Universidad de Antioquia.

Rodrigo Prieto Uribe was born in 1973. He was appointed as Vice President of Risk Management in March 2011. Mr. Prieto has worked at Bancolombia holding several positions at different departments of Bancolombia such as analyst, manager of risk administration, planning manager and manager of Capital allocation and risk quantification. Most recently he was the director of planning and projects. He has also been a professor at several universities including Universidad EAFIT, Escuela de Ingenieria de Antioquia and Universidad de los Andes. Mr. Prieto is a civil engineer and has a Master's degree in economics from Universidad de los Andes and a Master's degree in finance from Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey.

Jaime Alberto Villegas Gutierrez was born in 1965. He has been the Vice President of Corporate Services since 2016. He holds an industrial engineering degree from Universidad de los Andes and a graduate degree in finance from the same University. He has worked in the financial, operations and technology department of financial institutions such as Standard Chartered Bank, in Colombia, Peru, United Arab Emirates and Singapore.

Mauricio Rosillo Rojas was born in 1969. He has been the Legal Vice President of Bancolombia since December 2008. Mr. Rosillo holds a law degree from Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, obtained holds degree in financial law from Universidad de Los Andes, and a Master's degree in commercial and economic law from the University of Georgia. Mr. Rosillo has held several positions in the public and private sectors, including secretary general of Fedeleasing, Interim Colombian Superintendent of Cooperatives ("Superintendente de Economia Solidaria (encargado)"), director of financial regulation of the Colombian Ministry of Finance, supervisor of the securities market of the Colombian Securities Exchange and president of AMV.

Carmenza Henao Tisnes was born in 1960. She was appointed Vice President of Internal Audit in April 2011. Mrs. Henao has worked at Bancolombia in several positions at different departments of Bancolombia such as analyst and manager of audit technology. Most recently she was the Audit National Manager of Bancolombia branches. She has also been a professor at various universities including Universidad EAFIT, Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana, Universidad de Medellin and Universidad San Buenaventura. Mrs. Henao is a system engineer and holds a degree in Finance from Universidad EAFIT.

Maria Cristina Arrastia Uribe was born in 1965. She has been the Vice President of Retail and SMEs Banking since October 2015. Mrs. Arrastia is a Business Administrator graduated from Eafit University in Medellin. She has performed various roles in Bancolombia, such as Sub-Manager of the trading desk, and Regional Manager of the

Corporate Banking of Antioquia. Between 1998 and 2009 she was appointed as Regional Manager for Personal and SME Banking in Antioquia. In 2009 she was appointed as General Manager of Sufi until 2011 when she was appointed to the position of Vice President of Consumer and Housing Credit.

Gonzalo Toro Bridge was born in 1960. He has been Vice President of Corporate Banking of Bancolombia since 2003. From 1988 to 1994, he was the Assistant to the Vice Presidency of Corporate and International Banking and from 1994 to 2003 he was the Vice President of Corporate and International Banking. Mr. Toro holds a B.A. degree from Universidad EAFIT and a certificate of attendance from the advanced management program for overseas bankers of the University of Pennsylvania.

Enrique Gonzalez Bacci was born in 1965. He has been the Vice President of Human Resources since 2015. He holds a law degree from the Universidad Externado de Colombia and holds a degree in business law from the same university. He has taken the Advanced Program in Human Resource Management from the Anderson School at UCLA, and also holds certifications in geopolitics from Universidad EAFIT and a Top Management Program from Universidad de los Andes. In several occasions, he has participated as technical counselor before the International Labour Organization's International Labour Conference. His career at Grupo Bancolombia started at Conavi and later at BIC – today Bancolombia – holding different positions within the human resources department.

Gabriel Di Lelle was born in 1968. Gabriel Di Lelle received an industrial engineering degree from Universidad Catolica de Argentina and a Master's degree in business administration and finance from Universidad CEMA (Argentina). He joined Grupo Bancolombia after leading for several years IBM's specialized consulting unit on digital transformation for financial institutions — Spanish South America region.

There are no family relationships between the directors and senior management of Bancolombia listed above.

No arrangements or understandings have been made by major shareholders, customers, suppliers or others pursuant to which any of the above directors or members of senior management were selected.

The Corporate Governance Code of Bancolombia provides an age limit requirement of 65 years regarding retirement for senior management.

#### **B. COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

In 2017 the Bank paid each director a fee of approximately COP 6.21 million per month for sitting on the Board, and another fee of approximately COP 6.21 million for attending each session of the committees.

The directors received no other compensation or benefits. There is no stock option plan for directors. Consistent with Colombian law, the Bank does not publish information regarding the compensation of the Bank's individual officers. The Bank's stockholders may request that information during the period preceding the annual general stockholders' meeting. The aggregate amount of remuneration paid by the Bank and consolidated subsidiaries to all directors, alternate directors and senior management during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017 was COP 77.69 billion. Additionally, the bank has established a retirement bonus for senior management, and at the end of 2017 the provision to this effect was COP 34.17 billion. In 2017, no bonus was paid to any senior managers who retired during the year.

The Bank's senior managers (including the Bank's CEO) are paid, in addition to a fixed compensation, a variable compensation to be approved by the shareholders at the General Meeting.

The Board of Directors approves the salary increases for corporate vice presidents and authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to readjust the salary of the remaining employees.

The Bank has established an incentive compensation plan that awards bonuses annually or semi-annually to its employees. In determining the amount of any bonuses, the Bank takes into consideration the overall return on equity of the Bank and its executives' achievement of established goals. Bonuses are paid in cash and stock. The stock component represents shares of Bancolombia, which are purchased in the secondary market and are vested after three years.

The Bank paid a total of COP 1,852 billion for salaries of personnel employed directly by the Bank and senior management of its affiliates. Such amount includes the sum of approximately COP 133.40 billion spent in connection with the incentive compensation plan in Colombia.

As of December 31, 2017, the Bank had provisioned 100% of its actuarial obligation corresponding to retirement pension's payable by the Bank, which amounted to COP 125.47 billion, in accordance with Decree 2496 of December 23, 2015.

#### C.BOARD PRACTICES

The following table reflects the composition of the Board of Directors as of December 31, 2017.

Name	<b>Elected to the Board</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
David Bojanini García	2006	2018
Roberto Ricardo Steiner Sampedro	2014	2018
Gonzalo Alberto Pérez Rojas <sup>(1)</sup>	2004	2018
Hernando José Gómez Restrepo	2013	2018
Luis Fernando Restrepo Echavarría	2016	2018
Arturo Condo Tamayo	2016	2018
Andrés Felipe Mejía Cardona	2016	2018

(2) Gonzalo Alberto Pérez Rojas had previously served as the Bank's Director during the period 1990-1994.

Messrs. Hernando José Gómez Restrepo, Roberto Ricardo Steiner Sampedro, Luis Fernando Restrepo Echavarría, Arturo Condo Tamayo and Andres Felipe Mejía Cardona act as independent directors in accordance with the Bank's by-laws and other applicable laws. Consequently, the majority of the Board of Directors is composed of independent directors.

Neither the Bank nor its Subsidiaries have any type of agreement with the Bank's directors providing for benefits upon termination of their term.

The following are the current terms of office and the period during which the members of senior management have acted as such in Bancolombia. There are no defined expiration terms. The members of senior management can be removed by a decision of the Board of Directors.

Name	<b>Period Served</b>
President	
Juan Carlos Mora Uribe	Since 2016
Vice Presidents	
Jaime Alberto Velásquez Botero	Since 1997
Mauricio Rosillo Rojas	Since 2008
Maria Cristina Arrastia Uribe	Since 2015
Gonzalo Toro Bridge	Since 2003
Jaime Alberto Villegas Gutierrez	Since 2016
Rodrigo Prieto Uribe	Since 2011
Carmenza Henao Tisnes	Since 2011
Enrique Gonzalez Bacci	Since 2015
Gabriel Di Lelle	Since 2016

For further information about the Bank's corporate governance practices please see Item 16. "Reserved – B. Corporate Governance and Code of Ethics."

#### **Audit Committee**

Our Board of Directors, in compliance with Colombian banking regulations, maintains an Audit Committee that is currently comprised of three members. The current members of the Audit Committee are Messrs. Hernando José Gómez Restrepo, Andrés Felipe Mejia Cardona and Arturo Condo Tamayo. The Shareholders General Meeting reelected them for a period of two years on March 14, 2018. Each of them serve as independent member of the Board of Directors.

Pursuant to the applicable U.S. regulations for foreign private issuers, Mr. Hernando José Gómez Restrepo serves as the financial expert of the Audit Committee. In addition, the Committee has an independent advisor, expert in financial reporting and auditing matters who provides advice to the Committee on such matters.

For a broader description of the experience and qualifications of Messrs. Gomez Restrepo, Mejia Cardona, and Condo Tamayo, see Item 6. "Directors, Senior Management and Employees—A. Directors and Senior Management."

Further, the Internal Audit of Bancolombia and the compliance officer report to the Audit Committee. Likewise, Bancolombia has an ethics committee that reports to the Audit Committee and supports it in the supervision of compliance with provisions contained in the Code of Ethics, as well as determination of necessary actions for assuring knowledge, release, and strengthening of the highest ethical behavior standards of Bancolombia and resolution of

conflicts under its competence.

This Committee has a charter approved by the Board of Directors that establishes its composition, organization, objectives, duties, responsibilities and extension of its activities. The main purpose of this Committee is to support the Board of Directors by overseeing the effectiveness of the Bank's internal controls established by senior management. Other specific responsibilities of the Committee include: (i) overseeing the integrity of the financial statements, financial reporting process and systems of internal accounting and financial controls; (ii) proposing to the Board of Directors and the Shareholder's General Meeting external auditors candidates and evaluating their qualifications and independence; (iii) reviewing with management and the external auditors the annual and interim financial statements and reporting the results to the Board of Directors; (iv) approving the annual internal audit plan and its modifications; (v) approving the annual budget, overseeing the activities and evaluating the performance of Internal Audit, who reports directly to the audit committee; (vi) receiving and reviewing reports issued by internal and external auditors; (vii) evaluating the design and implementation of programs and controls aimed to prevent, detect and adequately manage risks related to internal fraud and misconduct; and (vii) being informed about relevant frauds and misconduct cases related to the Bank's employees.

The Committee meets and reports to the Board of Directors at least monthly, and must present an annual report of its activities at the General Stockholders' Meeting. The Committee met 19 times during 2017.

The shareholders at the General Meeting establish the remuneration of the members of the Audit Committee.

#### **Designation, Compensation and Development Committee**

This committee is composed of three (3) members of the Board of Directors elected by it. The Vice President of Human Resourses of the Bank acts as secretary of this committee.

The designation, compensation and development committee determines the policies and provisions for the hiring, remuneration, compensation, and development of management and key personnel of the Bank. Likewise, it continuously surveys the goals of the different compensation programs with regard to the performance of the officers, and it assesses the efficacy of such programs.

The duties of the designation, compensation and development committee are: (i) defining the administration policies of human resources, establishing the selection, evaluation, compensation, and development processes for top management, determining their goals; (ii) determining the objective criteria under which the Bank hires its principal officers; (iii) proposing objective criteria under which the Bank hires senior management and designs succession plans; (iv) determining the criteria for the performance evaluation of senior management; and (v) issuing recommendations for the Board of Directors concerning appointments and compensation of the president and senior management.

The members of the designation, compensation and development committee are Gonzalo Perez Rojas, Luis Fernando Restrepo Echavarria and Andres Felipe Mejia Cardona.

#### **Good Governance Committee**

The Good Governance Committee consists of at least three (3) members of the Board of Directors, two of them being an independent member. Bancolombia's President attends this committee on a permanent basis.

The Good Governance Committee has internal regulation to govern aspects such as composition and guests to the meetings, competences, and responsibilities of the Committee and its internal regulations.

The main purpose of this Committee is to assist Bancolombia's Board of Directors in overseeing compliance with the Corporate Governance measures and review any potential change to such measures.

This Committee shall also support the Board of Directors in cases related to the implementation of succession policies of the Board of Directors and its remuneration.

This Committee furnishes reports on the activities performed by the Bank's Board of Directors, and approves a yearly report on Corporate Governance, to be submitted before the Shareholders General Meeting.

The members of the Good Governance Committee are David Bojanini García, Roberto Ricardo Steiner and Luis Fernando Restrepo Echavarria.

#### **Risk Committee**

Bancolombia's Risk Committee consists of three (3) members of the Board of Directors, of which at least two must be independent directors.

The main purpose of this Committee is to serve as a support for approval, follow-up, and control of policies, guidelines, and strategies for risk management. In addition, this Committee supports the Bank's Board of Directors in aspects such as knowledge and understanding of the risks assumed by the Bank, including its subsidiaries, and the funds required to administer such risks.

The Risk Committee has a charter approved by the Board of Directors which establishes its composition, organization, objectives, duties, responsibilities and extension of its activities. The stockholders at the General Meeting establish the remuneration of the members of the Risk Committee. The Risk Committee must meet at least quarterly and met a total of 13 times during 2017.

The members of the Risk Committee are David Bojanini Garcia, Roberto Steiner Sampedro and Hernando Jose Gomez Restrepo.

### **D.EMPLOYEES**

The following table sets forth the number of employees of the Bank for the last three fiscal years:

As of December 31	Total number of employees employed by Bancolombia	Number of employees employed by Bancolombia S.A.
2017	31,061	19,987
2016	34,567	20,440
2015	34,390	19,544

As of December 31 2017, Bancolombia and its consolidated subsidiaries had 31,061 employees, of which 19,987 were employed directly by the Bank. Of the 19,987 employees directly contracted by the Bank, 12,503 are operations personnel and 7,484 are management employees. Of the 19,987 employees, approximately 22.49% are located in the Bogotá Region, 11.01% in the South Region, 13.60% in the Antioquia Region, 31.43% in the Medellin headquarters, 11.73% in the Central Region and 9.73% in the Caribbean Region. During 2017, the Bank employed an average of 226 employees per month through temporary personnel service companies.

Of the employees directly employed by Bancolombia, approximately 27.50% are part of a labor union called Sintrabancol, 15.75% are members of an industry union called Uneb, 1.91% belong to an industry labor union called Sintraenfi, 0.11% belong to an industry labor union called Uprofin, 0.16% belong to an industry labor union called USF and 0.30% belong to an industry labor union called Aceb. A collective bargaining agreement was reached with Uneb and Sintrabancol in October, 2017. The agreement has been in effect since November 1, 2017 and is set to expire on October 31, 2020. This agreement applies to approximately 12,827 employees regardless of whether they are members of a union or not and it extends to operating personnel employed by the subsidiaries Banca de Inversión Bancolombia, Valores Bancolombia, and Fiduciaria Bancolombia. Sintranefi, the labor union composed of approximately 382 employees, did not take part in the collective bargaining agreement. Sintraenfi also submitted a list of petitions on October 31, 2016 without reaching an agreement in the stage of direct settlement. The 14th of December of 2016, Sintraenfi has requested the intervention of an arbitral tribunal to solve this pending petition. In the meantime, the terms of the agreement reached with UNEB and Sintrabancol apply as well to the members of the Sintraenfi union.

With the execution of this agreement, the Bank, Uneb and Sintrabancol continue to work on the consolidation of long-term labor relationships based on mutual trust and respect.

The most important economic aspects of the Agreement are:

1. A pay increase of 7.0% for the first year. For the second year, the increase will be equal to the variation in the Colombian consumer price index ("IPC"), as certified by the Colombian statistical bureau ("DANE") for the period between November 2018 and October 2019, plus 230 basis points. For the third year, the increase will be equal to the variation in the Colombian consumer price index ("IPC"), as certified by the Colombian statistical bureau ("DANE") for the period between November 2019 and October 2020, plus 250 basis points.

For the salary increases corresponding to the second and the third year in which the current collective bargaining agreement is in place, the Bank will apply whichever is greatest between the variation of the national Consumer Price Index (IPC) for the twelve months ended on October 31 and December 31 of the year in question. The same criteria will be applied for the subsidies and benefits associated to salary increases.

2. Improved benefits, such as: increased amounts to the first home loans, improved health insurance coverage, transportation and food assistance, and an increase in tuition assistance and tuition loan.

Providing welfare conditions and contributing to the improvement of the quality of life of the bank employees and their basic family group are fundamental guidelines of the Agreement. In line with these guidelines, housing loans are

a priority in the portfolio of employee benefits. After four years of tenure, employees can access conventional housing loans.

In our Organization we see our employees as integral beings, for this reason we declare a strategy of a healthy and sustainable organization, which permits us to prioritize our action under 3 fundamental premises: Health, Labor Employment Security and Welfare of our employees and their families. We deliver different tools which contribute to increase the awareness for the care, minimize the risks and propitiate a balance between the employee's work and personal life. All of these tools can be evidenced in activities such as:

Health:
Periodical medical evaluations
· Executive medical checks
· Health prevention and promotion programs
· Accompaniment to employees with special health conditions.
Labor Employment Security:
· Evacuation drills, emergency prevention plan
Awareness and training of the employees on issues of emergency care and generating awareness to act in situations that put people's health and safety at risk.
Welfare:
· Activities with the family: corporate day where the children share with their parents on a working day
Activities which allow to highlight the talent of the employees and integrate the different regions of the country and increase the pride for their Organization
· Recognition activities for the work and high performance of the employees.
· Sport, recreational, cultural and vocational activities
E.SHARE OWNERSHIP
The following directors and members of the senior management owned common shares in Bancolombia as of December 31, 2017: David Bojanini García, Gonzalo Alberto Pérez Rojas and Gonzalo Toro Bridge.

The following directors and members of senior management owned preferred shares in Bancolombia as of December

31, 2017: Roberto Ricardo Steiner Sampedro and Gonzalo Toro Bridge.

None of the directors and members of senior management's shareholdings, individually or in the aggregate, exceed 1% of Bancolombia's outstanding common shares, preferred shares or a combination of both classes of shares.

As of December 31, 2017, there are no stock options to acquire any of Bancolombia's outstanding common shares or preferred shares or share-based payment to any employee.

#### ITEM 7. MAJOR STOCKHOLDERS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

#### A. MAJOR STOCKHOLDERS

In accordance with the Bank's by-laws, there are two classes of stock authorized and outstanding: common shares and preferred shares. Each common share entitles its holder to one vote at meetings of the Bank's stockholders, and there are no differences in the voting rights conferred by any of the common shares. Under the Bank's by-laws and Colombian corporate law, holders of preferred shares (and consequently, holders of ADRs) have no voting rights in respect of preferred shares, other than in limited circumstances as described in "Item 10. Additional Information – B. Memorandum and Articles of Association – Description of Share Rights, Preferences and Restrictions – Voting Rights – Preferred Shares".

The following table sets forth, solely for purposes of United States securities laws, certain information regarding the beneficial ownership of Bancolombia's capital stock by each person known to Bancolombia to own beneficially more than 5% of each class of Bancolombia's outstanding capital stock as of March 31, 2018. A beneficial owner includes anyone who has the power to receive the economic benefit of ownership of the securities.

Name	Common Shares	Preferred Shares	% Ownership of Common Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	% Ownership of Preferred Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	% Ownership of Total Shares <sup>(1)</sup>
Grupo de Inversiones Suramericana S.A.	235,148,823	-	46.13%	0.00%	24.45%
ADR Program	-	199,701,912	20.00%	44.17%	20.76%
Fondo de Pensiones Obligatorias Protección	22,354,945	54,364,650	4.39%	12.02%	7.98%
Fondo de Pensiones Obligatorias Porvenir Moderado	55,786,448	33,358,087	10.94%	7.38%	9.27%

Common shares have one vote per share; preferred shares have limited voting rights under certain circumstances specified in the by-laws of Bancolombia filed as Exhibit 1 to this Annual Report.

Represents ownership of Grupo de Inversiones Suramericana S.A. directly and through its subsidiaries: Grupo de (2) Inversiones Suramericana Panamá S.A., Inversiones y Construcciones Estrategicas S.A., CIA. Suramericana de Seguros de Vida S.A., Cia. Suramericana de Seguros S.A., Suratep.

As of March 31, 2018, a total of 509,704,584 common shares and 452,122,416 preferred shares were registered in the Bank's stockholder registry in the name of 36,088 stockholders. A total of 199,701,912 representing 44.17% of preferred shares were part of the ADR Program and were held by 34 record holders registered in The Bank of New York Mellon's registered stockholder list. Given that some of the preferred shares and ADSs are held by nominees, the number of record holders may not be representative of the number of beneficial owners.

During the past year, the Bank's ADR program changed its percentage ownership of the Bank, decreasing from 24.59% as of March 31, 2017 to 20.76% by the end of March 2018. In addition, Fondo de Pensiones Obligatorias Protección, a Colombian private pension fund manager, held its percentage of ownership constant at 7.98% as of March 31, 2018, compared to the same period a year ago. Fondo de Pensiones Obligatorias Porvenir Moderado, a Colombian private pension fund manager, decreased its percentage ownership to 9.27% as of March 31, 2018 compared to 9.29% as of March 31, 2017.

There are no significant changes in the percentage ownership held by major shareholders during the past three years.

There are no arrangements known to the Bank, which may at a subsequent date result in a change in control of the company.

To the extent known to the Bank, and in accordance with Colombian law, Bancolombia is not directly or indirectly owned or controlled by any other entity or person.

#### **B.RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

The Bank's Corporate Governance Code provides that, in any event, any transaction regarding Bancolombia's shares that is carried out by any officer, director or manager may not be executed for speculative purposes, which would be presumed if the following three conditions were met: (a) if suspiciously short lapses of time exist between the purchase and the sale of shares; (b) if situations arise proving to be exceptionally favorable for the Bank; and (c) if significant profits are obtained from this transaction.

All transactions that the Bank enters into with its directors, officers and senior executives are subject to the limitations and conditions set forth by the applicable law governing the prevention, handling and resolution of conflicts of interest.

Over time, Bancolombia has granted loans and engaged in other transactions with related parties. Such loans were made in the ordinary course of business, on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and required collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other persons, and did not involve more than the normal risk of collectability, and do not present any additional unfavorable terms for the Company.

Bancolombia, on a non-consolidated basis, had a total amount of COP 1,566,212 million in loans outstanding to related parties as of February 28, 2018. The principal amounts outstanding as of February 28, 2018 included in this amount are:

#### **Amount outstanding Accrued Interest Average Interest rate**

# **Entity**

Renting Colombia S.A.	632,909	1,157	6.56%
Grupo De Inversiones Suramericana S.A.	423,024	1,081	6.64%
FCP Fondo Inmobiliario Colombia	350,436	1,681	7.93%

For additional information regarding the Bank's related party transactions, please see Note 27 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

C. INTEREST OF EXPERTS AND COUNSEL

Not applicable.

#### ITEM 8.

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### A. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### A.1. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Reference is made to pages F-1 through F-185.

#### A.2.

#### LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Bank is involved in normal collection proceedings and restructuring proceedings with respect to certain borrowers as well as other legal proceedings. For further information regarding legal proceedings, see Note 20 to the Consolidated Financial Statements," Provisions and Contingent Liabilities".

#### **A.3.**

## **DIVIDEND POLICY**

The declaration, amount and payment of dividends are based on Bancolombia's unconsolidated earnings. Dividends must be approved at the ordinary annual shareholders' meeting upon the recommendation of the Board of Directors. Under the Colombian Commercial Code, after payment of income taxes and appropriation of legal and other reserves, and after setting off losses from prior fiscal years, Bancolombia must distribute to its stockholders at least 50% of its annual net income or 70% of its annual net income if the total amount of reserves exceeds its outstanding capital. Such dividend distribution must be made to all stockholders, in cash or in issued stock of Bancolombia, as may be determined by the stockholders, and within a year from the date of the ordinary annual stockholders' meeting in which the dividend was declared. According to Colombian law, the minimum dividend per share may be waived by an affirmative vote of the holders of 78% of the voting shares present at the stockholders' meeting.

The annual net profits of Bancolombia must be applied as follows: (i) first, an amount equal to 10% of Bancolombia's net profits to a legal reserve until such reserve is equal to at least 50% of the Bank's paid-in capital; (ii) second, to the payment of the minimum dividend on the preferred shares (for more information, see Item 10. "Additional Information – B. Memorandum and Articles of Association"); and (iii) third, as may be determined in the ordinary annual stockholders' meeting by the vote of the holders of a majority of the shares entitled to vote.

The following table sets forth the annual cash dividends paid on each common share and each preferred share during the periods indicated:

Dividends declared with respect to net	Cashdividends	Cash dividends
income earned in:	per share (1)(2)	per share (1)(3)
	(COP)	(U.S. dollars)
2017	1,020	0.367
2016	950	0.329
2015	888	0.267
2014	830	0.319
2013	776	0.394

(1) Includes common shares and preferred shares.
(2) Cash dividends for 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014 and 2013 were paid in quarterly installments.

(3) Amounts have been translated from pesos at the Representative Market Rate in effect at the end of the month in which the dividends were declared (March).

### B. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

There have not been any significant changes since the date of the annual Consolidated Financial Statements included in this document.

THE OFFER AND LISTING

# A. OFFER AND LISTING DETAILS

Bancolombia's ADRs, each representing four preferred shares, have been listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") since 1995, where they are traded under the symbol "CIB". Bancolombia's preferred shares are also listed on the Colombian Securities Exchange.

The table below sets forth, for the periods indicated, the reported high and low market prices and share trading volume for the preferred shares on the Colombian Securities Exchange. The table also sets forth the reported high and low market prices and the trading volume of the ADRs on the NYSE for the periods indicated:

	<b>Colombian Securities Exchange</b>		New York Stock Exchange		
	<b>COP Per Preferred Share</b>		USD per ADS	Trading Volume	
	High	Low	<b>High Low</b>	(Number of ADSs)	
Year Ending					
December 31, 2017	7 30,120	29,919	48.3436.18	891,610,600	
December 31, 2010	6 30,200	20,700	42.2025.12	292,864,900	
December 31, 2013	5 28,880	20,080	48.5623.69	9111,797,200	
December 31, 2014	4 31,300	22,000	66.7842.50	0104,278,406	
December 31, 201.	3 31,460	23,380	70.6247.59	963,665,433	
December 31, 2012	2 30,600	24,220	69.5053.78	8100,220,776	
December 31, 201	1 31,100	25,160	69.8753.56	583,520,522	

Source: NYSENet (Composite Index), Yahoo Finance, and Colombian Securities Exchange.

	<b>Colombian Securities Exchange</b>		New York Stock Exchange	
	COP Per Preferred Share High Low (in nominal I	Trading Volume (Number of Shares) pesos)	USD per ADS High Low	Trading Volume (Number of ADSs)
2018				
First Quarter <b>2017</b>	32,68029,280	39,977,461	46.7140.83	17,716,200
First Quarter	29,14026,840	35,321,489	40.4836.18	18,464,800
Second Quarter	34,28028,000	36,670,165	46.9838.88	24,164,500
Third Quarter	35,32031,900	36,832,747	48.3442.48	23,358,500
Fourth Quarter	34,20028,180	)52,357,476	46.1736.99	25,883,900
2016				
First Quarter	26,80020,700	)48,443,358	34.3125.12	20,403,900
Second Quarter	28,50025,140	)43,374,259	39.3132.50	26,911,800
Third Quarter	30,20025,320	52,822,136	42.2033.51	20,905,100
Fourth Quarter	29,14025,640	045,667,336	39.1532.49	24,644,100
2015				
First quarter	28,88023,800	044,059,256	48.0736.65	32,658,000
Second quarter	27,92025,500	31,944,253	46.5139.31	21,519,900
Third quarter	28,00024,100	35,368,754		22,562,300
Fourth quarter	28,00020,300	048,224,705	39.2324.04	35,057,000

Source: NYSENet (Composite Index), Yahoo Finance, and Colombian Securities Exchange.

Colombian

**Securities** New York Stock Exchange

**Exchange** 

COP Per Preferred USD per

Share ADS Trading Volume (Number of ADSs)

High Low High Low

### Month

March 2018 31,58029,28044.0041.447,190,000 February 2018 32,66030,18046.7142.185,491,700 January 2018 32,68029,90046.5440.835,034,500

Colombian

**Securities** New York Stock Exchange

**Exchange** 

COP Per

USD per

Preferred CSD per

Share ADS Trading Volume (Number of ADSs)

**High Low High Low** 

#### Month

March 2017 29,14027,10040.4836.187,216,400 February 2017 27,84026,84039.0237.355,178,400 January 2017 28,38027,12038.3937.216,070,000

Month

March 2016 26,98024,50034.5629.858,765,600 February 2016 25,20023,60030.4227.516,232,600 January 2016 24,00020,46029.5424.695,405,700

Source: NYSENet (Composite Index), Yahoo Finance, and Colombian SecuritiesExchange.

ADRs evidencing ADSs are issuable by The Bank of New York Mellon (the "Depositary"), as Depositary, pursuant to the Deposit Agreement, dated as of July 25, 1995, entered into by Bancolombia, the Depositary, the owners of ADRs from time to time and the owners and beneficial owners from time to time of ADRs, pursuant to which the ADSs are issued (as amended, the "Deposit Agreement"). The Deposit Agreement was amended and restated on January 14, 2008. Copies of the Deposit Agreement are available for inspection at the Corporate Trust Office of the Depositary, currently located at 101 Barclay Street, New York, New York 10286, and at the office of Fiduciaria Bancolombia, as agent of the Depositary, currently located at Carrera 48, No. 26 - 85, Medellin, Colombia or Calle 30A No. 6-38, Bogotá, Colombia. The Depositary's principal executive office is located at One Wall Street, New York, New York 10286.

On September 30, 1998, Bancolombia filed a registration statement on Form F-3 with the SEC to register ADSs evidenced by ADRs, each representing four preferred shares, issued in connection with the merger between BIC and Banco de Colombia for resale by the holders into the U.S. public market from time to time. On January 24, 2005, the Board determined to deregister the unsold ADSs registered under the registration statement on Form F-3. On March 14, 2005, Bancolombia filed an amendment to the registration statement deregistering the remaining unsold ADSs. On August 8, 2005, Bancolombia filed, through the Depositary, a registration statement on Form F-6 registering 50,000,000 ADSs evidenced by ADRs in connection with the Conavi/Corfinsura merger. On May 14, 2007, Bancolombia filed an automatic shelf registration statement on Form F-3 with the SEC to register an indeterminate amount of debt securities, preferred shares and rights to subscribe for preferred shares in connection with the subsequent offerings which took place in the second and third quarter of 2007. On January 14, 2008, by filing the Form F-6 with the SEC, Bancolombia increased the amount of its ADR program up to 400,000,000 American

Depositary Shares, and registered some amendments to the Depositary Agreement of ADSs between Bancolombia and The Bank of New York Mellon. On July 13, 2010, Bancolombia filed an automatic shelf registration statement on Form F-3 with the SEC to register an indeterminate amount of debt securities, preferred shares, American Depositary Shares representing preferred shares and rights to subscribe for preferred shares in connection with the subsequent offering of subordinated debt securities which took place on July 19, 2010. On February 6, 2012, Bancolombia priced a public offer of 63,999,997 preferred shares without voting rights, which represented an aggregate amount of approximately COP 1,680 billion. On March 3, 2014, Bancolombia priced a public offer of 110,000,000 preferred shares without voting rights, which represented an aggregate amount of approximately COP 2,656 billion.

On May 2, 2016, Bancolombia filed an au	utomatic shelf registration statement on I	Form F-3 with the SEC to register an
indeterminate amount of debt securities, 1	preferred shares and rights to subscribe for	or preferred shares.

	В.	PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION		
Not applicable.				
	C.	MARKETS		
The Colombian SecuritiesExchange is the principal non-U.S. trading market for the preferred shares and the sole market for the common shares. As of December 31, 2017, the market capitalization for Bancolombia's preferred share based on the closing price in the Colombian SecuritiesExchange was COP 13.528 billion (Bancolombia's total market capitalization, which includes the common and preferred shares, was COP 28.808 billion or USD 9.65 billion as of the same date).				
liquidity and, therefore, or aggregate equity market ca	ders to buy or sell in excess of	alists on the Colombian SecuritiesExchange to ensure market corresponding orders to sell or buy will not be executed. The SecuritiesExchange, as of December 31, 2017, was COP es listed as of that date.		
	D.	SELLING STOCKHOLDERS		
Not applicable.				
	Е.	DILUTION		
Not applicable.				
	F.	EXPENSES OF THE ISSUE		

Not applicable.

ITEM 10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A. SHARE CAPITAL

Not applicable.

#### B. MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

Set forth below is certain information concerning the Bank's capital stock and a brief summary of certain significant provisions of the Bank's bylaws and Colombian corporate law. This description does not purport to be complete and is qualified by reference to the Bank's bylaws (an English translation of which is attached as Exhibit 1 to this Annual Report) and to Colombian corporate law.

### **Bancolombia's Corporate Purpose**

Pursuant to Article 4 of its bylaws, Bancolombia's corporate purpose consists of all kinds of banking operations, business, acts and services. Subject to applicable law, Bancolombia may carry out all the activities and investments authorized to banks. Bancolombia is also authorized to participate in the capital stock of other companies, subject to any restrictions imposed by applicable law.

#### **Board of Directors**

Pursuant to the bylaws of Bancolombia, the Board of Directors has the power to authorize the execution of any agreement, within the corporate purpose of Bancolombia, and to adopt the necessary measures in order for the Bank to accomplish its purpose.

The activity of the Board of Directors, is specially focused on defining general policies and strategic objectives, as well as supervising all actions taken to achieve the objectives in a permanent search for the shareholders' interest and the Bank's sustainability and growth. Specific functions of the Board of Directors have been established in the Bank's bylaws.

With respect to business operations, the Board of Directors has the power to review and approve the main projects, the risk policy and management, strategic planning, and the commercial and financial performance. The Board of Directors promotes the integrity of the accounting, information, corporate government, internal control, risks, and financial consumer service systems, among others.

Board of Directors' meetings are held at least once a month; however, when special circumstances occur, extraordinary meetings may be held when convened according to provisions set forth in the company's bylaws.

As of the date of filing of this Annual Report, Bancolombia's board of directors is composed of seven directors, elected for a two-year term, with no alternate directors. For additional information regarding Bancolombia's current directors please see Item 6.A, "Directors and Senior Management".

After being designated, all of the members of the Board of Directors require an authorization from the SFC. The SFC assesses whether the director has an adequate profile for the position according to the requirements under Colombian Law.

According to Decree 3923 of 2006, the election of independent directors must be in a separate ballot from the ballot to elect the rest of directors, unless the reaching of the minimum number of independent directors required by law or by the by-laws is assured, or when there is only one list that includes the minimum number of required independent directors.

According to Colombian law, 25% of the members of the board of directors must be independent. An "independent director" is a director who is NOT: (i) an employee or director of the issuer or any of its parent or subsidiary companies, including all those persons acting in said capacity during the year immediately preceding that in which they were appointed, except in the case of an independent member of the board of directors being re-elected; (ii) shareholders, who either directly or by virtue of an agreement direct, guide or control the majority of the entity's voting rights or who determine the majority composition of the administration, the board of directors or other corporate bodies of this same entity; (iii) a partner or employee of any association or firm that provides advisory or consultancy services to the issuer or to companies who belong to the same economic group to which the issuer in question belongs, in the event that income obtained from such services represent for said association or firm twenty percent (20%) or more of its total operating income; (iv) an employee or director of a foundation, association or institution that receives significant donations from the issue. (the term "significant donations" is quantified as being twenty percent (20%) or more of the total amount of donations received by the respective institution); (v) an administrator of any entity on whose board of directors a legal representative of the issuer participates; and (vi) any person who receives from the issuer any kind of remuneration different from fees as a member of the board of directors, of the audit committee or any other committee set up by the board of directors. In addition to the independence criteria set forth by Colombian law, the election of an independent member of Bancolombia's Board of Directors must be in compliance with provisions set forth by the NYSE standards.

Elections are made under a proportional representation voting system. Under that system: (i) each holder of common shares is entitled at the annual general shareholders' meeting to nominate for election one or more directors (ii) each nomination of one or more directors constitutes a group for the purposes of the election; (iii) each group of nominees must be listed in the order of preference for nominees in that group to be elected; (iv) once all groups have been nominated, holders of common shares may cast one vote for each common share held in favor of a particular group of nominees. Votes may not be cast for particular nominees in a group; they may be cast only for the entire group; (v) the total number of votes casted in the election is divided by the number of directors to be elected. The resulting quotient is the quota of votes necessary to elect particular directors. For each time that the number of votes cast for a group of nominees is divisible by the quota of votes, one nominee from that group is elected, in the order of the list of that group; and (vi) when no group has enough remaining votes to satisfy the quota of votes necessary to elect a director, any remaining board seat or seats are filled by electing the highest remaining nominee from the group with the highest number of remaining votes cast until all available seats have been filled.

The directors of Bancolombia must abstain from participating, directly or through an intermediary, on their own behalf or on behalf of a third party, in activities that may compete against the Bank or in conflict-of-interest transactions that may generate a conflict of interest situation, unless the general shareholders meeting expressly authorizes such transactions. For such purposes, the directors shall provide the shareholders' meeting with all the relevant information necessary for the shareholders to reach a decision. If the director is a shareholder, his or her vote shall be excluded from the respective decision process. In any case, the general shareholders meeting could only grant its authorization if the act does not adversely affect Bancolombia's interests.

In the general annual shareholders meeting the shareholders are responsible for determining, the compensation of the members of the board of directors.

#### **Description of Share Rights, Preferences and Restrictions**

Bancolombia's bylaws provide for an authorized capital stock of COP 700 billion divided into 1,400,000,000 shares of a par value of COP 500 each, which must belong to one of the following classes: (i) common shares, (ii) privileged shares; and (iii) shares with preferred dividend and no voting rights ("preferred shares"). Pursuant to Article 8 of the bylaws, all shares issued shall have the same nominal value.

As of December 31, 2017, Bancolombia had 509,704,584 common shares and 452,122,416 preferred shares outstanding and a shareholders' equity of COP 23,113 billion divided into 961,827,000 shares.

### **Voting Rights**

### **Common Shares**

The holders of common shares are entitled to vote on the basis of one vote per share on any matter subject to approval at a general shareholders' meeting. These general meetings may be ordinary meetings or extraordinary meetings.

Ordinary general shareholder's meetings occur at least once a year but no later than three months after the end of the prior fiscal year, for the following purposes: (i) to consider the approval of Bancolombia's annual report, including the financial statements for the preceding fiscal year; (ii) to review the annual report prepared by the external auditor; (iii) to determine the compensation for the members of the board of directors, and the external auditor (the external auditor compensation is determine every two years) (iv) to elect directors, the external auditor and the client representative (defensor del consumidor financiero). The client representative's primary duty is to solve the individual complaints submitted by clients and users and serve as their spokesman, the directors and the external auditor (each for a two-year term); and (v) to determine the dividend policy and the allocation of profits, if any, of the preceding fiscal year, as well as any retained earnings from previous fiscal years.

Extraordinary general shareholders' meetings may take place when duly called for a specified purpose or purposes, or, without prior notice, when holders representing all outstanding shares entitled to vote on the issues presented are present at the meeting.

Quorum for both ordinary and extraordinary general shareholders' meetings to be convened at first call requires the presence of two or more shareholders representing at least half plus one of the outstanding shares entitled to vote at the relevant meeting. If a quorum is not present, a subsequent meeting is called at which the presence of one or more holders of shares entitled to vote at the relevant meeting constitutes a quorum, regardless of the number of shares represented. General shareholders' meetings may be called by the board of directors, the CEO or the external auditor of Bancolombia. In addition, two or more shareholders representing at least 20% of the outstanding shares have the right to request that a general meeting be convened. Notice of ordinary meetings and extraordinary meetings convened to approve fiscal year-end financial statements, the reduction of the outstanding capital, the merger, spin-off or sale of more than 25% of the assets, liabilities and contracts, must be published in one newspaper of wide circulation at Bancolombia's principal place of business at least 30 calendar days prior to such meeting. Notice of other extraordinary meetings, must be published in one newspaper of wide circulation at Bancolombia's principal place of business at least 15 calendar days prior to such meeting listing the matters to be addressed at such meeting.

Except when Colombian law or Bancolombia's bylaws require a special majority, action may be taken at a general shareholder's meeting by the vote of two or more shareholders representing a majority of common shares present. Pursuant to Colombian law and/or Bancolombia's bylaws, special majorities are required to adopt the following corporate actions: (i) a favorable vote of at least 70% of the shares represented at a general shareholders' meeting is required to approve the issuance of shares without preemptive rights available for shareholders; (ii) a favorable vote of at least 78% of the holders of represented common shares to decide not to distribute as dividend at least 50% of the annual net profits of any given fiscal year; (iii) a favorable vote of at least 80% of the holders of represented common shares and 80% of the holders of outstanding preferred shares to approve the payment of the dividend in shares; and (iv) a favorable vote of at least 70.00% of the holders of common shares and of outstanding preferred shares to effect a decision to impair the conditions or rights established for such preferred shares, or a decision to convert those preferred shares into common shares.

If the Superintendency of Finance determines that any amendment to the bylaws fails to comply with Colombian law, it may demand that the relevant provisions be modified accordingly. Under these circumstances, Bancolombia will be obligated to comply in a timely manner.

#### **Preferred Shares**

The holders of preferred shares are not entitled to receive notice of, attend to or vote at any general shareholders' meeting except as described below.

The holders of preferred shares will be entitled to vote on the basis of one vote per share at any shareholders' meeting, whenever a shareholders vote is required on the following matters, in addition to those indicated above: (i) when voting the anticipated dissolution, merger or transformation of the corporation or change of its corporate purpose. (ii) when the preferred dividend has not been fully paid during two consecutive annual terms. In this event, holders of such shares shall retain their voting rights until the corresponding dividends have been fully paid to them. (iii) if at the end of a fiscal period, the Bank's profits are not enough to pay the minimum dividend and the Superintendency of Finance, by its own decision or upon petition of holders of at least ten percent (10%) of preferred shares, determines that benefits were concealed or shareholders were misled with regard to benefits received from the Bank by the Bank's directors or officers decreasing the profits to be distributed, the Superintendency of Finance may resolve that holders of preferred shares should participate with speaking and voting rights at the general shareholders' meeting, in the terms established by law. (iv) when the registration of shares at the Colombian SecuritiesExchange or at the Superintendency of Finance, is suspended or canceled. In this event, voting rights shall be maintained until the irregularities that resulted in such cancellation or suspension are resolved. (v) when voting amendments that could impair the preferred shares' rights, or the conversion of the preferred shares to common shares, a favorable vote of a minimum of seventy percent (70%) of the subscribe capital stock, including the favorable vote of a minimum of seventy percent (70%) of the preferred shares, is required.

Bancolombia must cause a notice of any meeting at which holders of preferred shares are entitled to vote to be mailed to each record holder of preferred shares. Each notice must include a statement stating: (i) the date of the meeting; (ii) a description of any resolution to be proposed for adoption at the meeting on which the holders of preferred shares are entitled to vote; and (iii) instructions for the delivery of proxies.

### **Dividends**

#### **Common Shares**

Once the unconsolidated Financial Statements are approved by the general shareholders meeting, the appropriation for the payment of taxes of the corresponding taxable year has been made, and the transfers to the reserves have been performed, then they can determine the allocation of distributable profits, if any, of the preceding year.

Under the Colombian Commercial Code, a company must distribute at least 50% of its annual net profits to all shareholders, payable in cash, or as determined by the shareholders, within a period of one year following the date on which the shareholders determine the dividends. If the total amount segregated in all reserves of a company exceeds its outstanding capital, this percentage is increased to 70%. The minimum common stock dividend requirement of 50% or 70%, as the case may be, may be waived by a favorable vote of the holders of 78% of a company's common stock present at the meeting.

Under Colombian law and Bancolombia's bylaws annual net profits are to be applied as follows: (i) first, an amount equivalent to 10% of net profits is segregated to build a legal reserve until that reserve is equal to at least 50% of Bancolombia's paid-in capital (ii) second, payment of the minimum dividend on the preferred shares; and (iii) third, allocation of the net profits is determined by the holders of a majority of the common shares entitled to vote on the recommendation of the board of directors and the President and may, subject to further reserves required by the by-laws, be distributed as dividends. Under the Bank's bylaws, the dividends payable to the holders of common shares cannot exceed the dividends payable to holders of the preferred shares. Bancolombia's bylaws requires to maintain a reserve fund equal to 50% of paid-in capital. All common shares that are fully paid in and outstanding at the time a dividend or other distribution is declared are entitled to share equally in that dividend or other distribution. Common shares that are only partially-paid participate in a dividend or distribution in the same proportion than the shares that have been fully paid in at the time of the dividend or distribution.

The general shareholders' meeting may allocate a portion of the profits to welfare, education or civic services, or to support economic organizations of the Bank's employees.

#### **Preferred Shares**

Holders of preferred shares are entitled to receive dividends based on the net profits of the preceding fiscal year, after deducting losses affecting the capital and once the amount that shall be legally set apart for the legal reserve has been deducted, but before creating or accruing for any other reserve, of a non-cummulative minimum preferred dividend equal to one percent (1%) yearly of the subscription price of the preferred share, provided this dividend is higher than the dividend assigned to common shares. If this is not the case, the dividend shall be increased to an amount that is equal to the per share dividend on the common shares. The dividend received by holders of common shares may not be higher than the dividend assigned to preferred shares.

Payment of the preferred dividend shall be made at the time and in the manner established in the general shareholders' meeting and with the priority indicated by Colombian law.

In the event that the holders of preferred shares have not received the minimum dividend for a period in excess of two consecutive fiscal years, they will acquire certain voting rights. See Item 10. "Aditional Information – B. Memorandum and Articles of Association – Description of Share Rights, Preferences and Restrictions – Voting Rights – Preferred Shares".

### **General Considerations Relating to Dividends**

The dividend periods may be different from the periods covered by the statement of financial position. In the general shareholders' meeting, shareholders will determine such dividend periods, the effective date, the system and the place for payment of dividends.

Dividends declared on the common shares and the preferred shares will be payable to the record holders of those shares, as they are recorded on Bancolombia's stock registry, on the appropriate record dates as determined in the general shareholders' meeting.

Any dividend in shares payable by Bancolombia will be paid in common shares to the holders of common shares and in preferred shares to the holders of preferred shares. Nonetheless, Shareholders at the general shareholders' meeting may authorize the payment in common shares to all shareholders.

Any dividend in shares requires the approval of 80% or more of the shares present at a shareholders' meeting, which will include 80% or more of the outstanding preferred shares. In the event that such voting majority is not obtained, shareholders may individually elect to receive a stock dividend or a cash dividend.

# **Liquidation Rights**

Bancolombia will be dissolved if certain events take place, including the following: (i) its term of existence, as stated in the by-laws, expires without being extended by the shareholders prior to its expiration date (ii) losses cause the decrease of its shareholders' equity below 50% of its outstanding capital stock, unless one or more of the corrective measures described in the Colombian Commercial Code are adopted by the shareholders within six months (iii) by decision at the general shareholders' meeting and (iv) in certain other events expressly provided by law and in the by-laws.

Upon dissolution, a liquidator must be appointed by the general shareholders' meeting to wind up its affairs. In addition, the Superintendency of Finance has the power to take over the operations and assets of a bank and proceed to its liquidation under certain circumstances and in the manner prescribed in the Estatuto Orgánico del Sistema Financiero, Decree 663 of 1993. For more information see Item 4. "Information on the Company – B. Business Overview – B.8. Supervision and Regulation – Bankruptcy Considerations".

# **Preemptive Rights and Other Anti-Dilution Provisions**

Under the Bank's bylaws, the holders of common shares determine in their meeting the amount of authorized capital stock, and the board of directors has the power to (a) order the issuance and regulate the terms of subscription of common shares up to the total amount of authorized capital stock and (b) regulate the issuance of shares with rights to a preferential dividend but without the right to vote, when expressly delegated at the general shareholders' meeting. The issuance of preferred shares must always be first approved at the general shareholders' meeting, which shall determine the nature and extent of any privileges, according to the bylaws and Colombian law.

The Bank's bylaws and Colombian law require that, whenever the Bank issues new shares of any outstanding class, it must offer the holders of each class of shares the right to purchase a number of shares of such class sufficient to maintain their existing percentage ownership of the aggregate capital stock of the Bank. These rights are called preemptive rights. See Item 3. "Key Information – D. Risk Factors – Preemptive rights may not be available to holders of American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") evidencing ADSs".

Shareholders at a general meeting of shareholders may suspend preemptive rights with respect to a particular capital increase by a favorable vote of at least 70% of the shares represented at the meeting. Preemptive rights must be exercised within the period stated in the share placement terms of the increase, which cannot be shorter than 15 business days following the publication of the notice of the public offer of that capital increase. From the date of the notice of the share placement terms, preemptive rights may be transferred separately from the corresponding shares.

The Superintendency of Finance will authorize decreases in the outstanding capital stock decided by the holders of common shares only if: (i) Bancolombia has no liabilities (ii) Bancolombia's creditors consent in writing or (iii) the outstanding capital stock remaining after the reduction represents at least twice the amount of Bancolombia's liabilities.

#### Limits on Purchases and Sales of Capital Stock by Related Parties

Pursuant to the Colombian Commerce Code, the members of the Bank's board of directors and certain of our principal executive officers may not, directly or undirectly, buy or sell shares of our capital stock while they hold their positions, except when dealing with nonspeculative operations and in that case they need to obtain the prior authorization of the board of directors passed with the vote of two-thirds of its members (excluding, in the case of transactions by a director, such director's vote) or when deemed relevant by the Board of Directors of the Bank with the authorization of the Shareholders Meeting the affirmative vote of the ordinary majority foreseen in the bylaws, excluding the vote of the petitioner.

#### **No Redemption**

Colombian law prohibits Bancolombia from repurchasing shares of its capital stock, including the preferred shares.

### **Limitations on the Rights to Hold Securities**

There are no limitations in our by-laws or Colombian law on the rights of Colombian residents or foreign investors to own the shares of the Bank, or on the right to hold or exercise voting rights with respect to those shares.

### Restrictions on Change of Control Mergers, Acquisitions or Corporate Restructuring of the Company

Under Colombian law and our bylaws, the general shareholders' meeting has full and exclusive authority to approve any corporate restructuring including, mergers, acquisitions or spin-offs upon authorization by the Colombian Superintendency of Finance.

### **Ownership Threshold Requiring Public Disclosure**

We must disclose to the Superintendency of Finance at the end of each fiscal quarter the names of the shareholders of our company, indicating at least, the twenty five shareholders with the highest number of shares.

Colombian securities regulations set forth the obligation to disclose any material event or relevant fact. Any transfer of shares equal or greater than 5% of our capital stock or any person acquiring a percentage of shares that would make him the beneficial owner of 5% or more of our capital stock, is a material event, and therefore, must be disclosed to the Superintendency of Finance.

# **Changes in the Capital of the Company**

There are no conditions in our by-laws governing changes in our capital stock that are more stringent than those required under Colombian law.

# C. MATERIAL CONTRACTS

Bancolombia has not entered into any contract, other than those entered in the ordinary course of business or that are not considered to be material, to which it or any of its subsidiaries is a party, for the two years immediately preceding the date of this Annual Report.

# D. EXCHANGE CONTROLS

The Central Bank has consistently made foreign currency available to Colombian private sector entities to meet their foreign currency obligations. Nevertheless, in the event of shortages, foreign currency may not be available to private sector companies and the amounts needed by the Bank to service foreign currency obligations may not be purchased in the open market without substantial additional costs.

The Foreign Exchange Statute, Law 9 of 1991, outlines the Colombian foreign exchange regime which relates to matters such as imports and exports of goods, foreign indebtedness, and guarantees in foreign currencies, among others. Additionally, Decree 1068 of 2015, as amended, sets forth an International Investments Regime which provides for rules applicable to foreign residents who invest in the Colombian securities markets and undertake other types of investments, prescribes registration with the Central Bank of certain foreign exchange transactions, and specifies procedures pursuant to which certain types of foreign investments are to be authorized and administered. Both, the Foreign Exchange Statute and the International Investments Regime are regulated by External Resolution No. 8 of 2000 and External Regulating Circular DCIN 83 of 2006, both as amended, of the Board of Directors of the Central Bank.

Under Colombian law and the Bank's by-laws, foreign investors receive the same treatment as Colombian citizens with respect to ownership and the voting rights of ADSs and preferred shares. For a detailed discussion of ownership restrictions see Item 4. "Information on the Company - B. Business Overview - B.8. Supervision and Regulation – Ownership and Management Restrictions".

E. TAXATION

# **Colombian Taxation**

For purposes of Colombian taxation, an individual is considered as a resident if he or she meets any of the following conditions:

Continuous or discontinuous presence in Colombia for more than 183 calendar days including entry and departure days from the country, within any period of 365 consecutive calendar days, provided that, when the continuous or discontinuous presence in the country is exercised in more than one fiscal year, the individual would be considered as a resident in the second fiscal year.

Those persons working for the Colombian Foreign Service or those serving the Colombian Foreign Service and which, by virtue of the Vienna Conventions on Diplomatic and Consular Relations, are exempt from taxation on all or part of their income and occasional earnings in the country in which they are serving during the respective tax year or period.

Is a Colombian citizen and during the applicable fiscal year:

The spouse or permanent life partner, or underage dependent children, are residents in Colombia for tax purposes; or,

b)	50% or more	of their income has a Colombian source; or,
c)	50% or more	of their assets are managed in Colombia; or,
d)	50% or more of their asse	ets are held or deemed to be held in Colombia; or,
e) The Colombian ta	exation authority has requested e	vidence of the foreign residency status, and it is not provided by
f)	Had fiscal residence in a tax hav	ven jurisdiction as defined by Colombian regulations.
Colombian citizens a the following:	are not considered a tax resident	if they meet any of the above conditions and fulfill at least one of
a) 50% or mo	re of their annual income has its	source in the jurisdiction in which they are domiciled; or,
b)	50% or more of their assets are	located in the jurisdiction where they are domiciled.
Entities:		
		s a resident of Colombia if its principal office is located in ins the place where material commercial and management
. Companies and entipurposes:	ties that comply with any of the	following conditions are also considered to be nationals for tax
	a)	Primary domicile in Colombia; or
b)	Incorporated in C	Colombia, in accordance with Colombian laws.
Foreign companies,	foreign investment funds, and in	dividuals that are not Colombian residents are not required by

law to file an income tax return in Colombia when their income has been previously subject to withholding tax,

provided that such income results from payments of dividends, capital gains or labor related income.

Pursuant to the International Investments Regime (see Item 10. "Additional Information – D. Exchange Controls"), the preferred shares deposited under the Deposit Agreement constitute a Foreign Institutional Capital Investment Fund (the "Fund"). Under Article 18-1 of the Fiscal Statute, modified by the Law 1607 of 2012, profits of the Fund, excluding dividends, are subject to withholding tax. The applicable taxation rate is 14%, provided that the Depositary is not located in a tax haven, in which case, the applicable taxation rate is 25%. The withholding is 25% in the case of dividends if they relate to untaxed company earnings.

If the Depositary sells, or otherwise negotiates, the preemptive rights it would be entitled to in the event of a new issue of shares (see Item 3. "Key Information - D. Risk Factors-Risks Relating to the Preferred Shares and the ADSs"), the profits obtained from said sale will not be subject to income in Colombia provided that said disposal does not exceed ten percent (10%) of the outstanding shares of the respective company, during a same taxable year. Regulations applicable to the taxation of dividends, other than those in the International Investment Regime, were modified under Law 1819 of 2016, as follows:

A dividend tax was created, which will be collected by at-source withholdings at the time they are paid out. This new tax applies to dividends distributed based on earnings obtained starting in the 2017 tax year.		
The rates for non-residents of Colombia are:		
a) 5.00% if the distributed dividends relate to earnings taxed at the parent company (notwithstanding the application of any double taxation treaty signed by Colombia).		
35.00% if the distributed dividends relate to earnings not taxed at the parent company. A further 5% will be applied b) to the difference to be distributed (for a total of 38.25%). The above is notwithstanding the application of double taxation treaties signed by Colombia.		
· The rates for residents of Colombia are:		
a) The at-source withholding rate for domestic companies continues to be 20% when the dividends are distributed against taxed earnings.		
b) The tax will be as follows for natural persons:		
-Between 0%, 5% and 10% if the dividends are distributed against earnings taxed at the parent company.		
35% if the dividends are distributed against earnings not taxed at the parent company. A further 5% will be applied to the difference to be distributed (for a total of 38.25%).		
· Preferred shares		
Preferred shares will have the same treatment as financial liabilities for the issuer's tax purposes. The treatment will be the same as financial assets for the holder. This treatment will not be applicable to listed shares that do not comply with the rest of the requirements established by Article 33-3 of the Tax Statute.		

**Other Tax Considerations** 

As of the date of this report, there is no income tax treaty and no inheritance or gift tax treaty in effect between Colombia and the United States.

#### **United States Federal Income Taxation Considerations**

This section describes the material United States federal income tax consequences generally applicable to a U.S. holder (as defined below) of owning preferred shares or ADSs. It applies to you only if you hold your preferred shares or ADSs as capital assets for tax purposes. This section does not apply to you if you are a member of a special class of holders subject to special rules, including:

- ·a dealer in securities,
- ·a trader in securities that elects to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for securities holdings,
- ·a tax-exempt organization,
- ·a life insurance company,
- ·a person liable for alternative minimum tax,
- a person that actually or constructively owns 10.00% or more of the combined voting power of our voting stock or of the total value of our stock,
- ·a person that holds preferred shares or ADSs as part of a straddle or a hedging or conversion transaction,
- ·a person that purchases or sells preferred shares or ADSs as part of a wash sale for tax purposes, or
- ·a person whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar.

This section is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, its legislative history, existing and proposed regulations, published rulings and court decisions. These laws are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis. There is currently no comprehensive income tax treaty between the United States and Colombia. In addition, this section is based in part upon the representations of the Depositary and the assumption that each obligation in the Deposit Agreement and any related agreement will be performed in accordance with its terms.

If a partnership holds the preferred shares or ADSs, the United States federal income tax treatment of a partner will generally depend on the status of the partner and the tax treatment of the partnership. A partner in a partnership holding the preferred shares or ADSs should consult its tax advisor with regard to the United States federal income tax treatment of an investment in the preferred shares or ADSs.

You are a U.S. holder if you are a beneficial owner of preferred shares or ADSs and you are:

- ·a citizen or resident of the United States,
- ·a domestic corporation,

an estate whose income is subject to United States federal income tax regardless of its source, or a trust if a United States court can exercise primary supervision over the trust's administration and one or more United States persons are authorized to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

In general, and taking into account the earlier assumptions, for United States federal income tax purposes, if you hold ADRs evidencing ADSs, you will be treated as the owner of the preferred shares represented by those ADRs. Exchanges of preferred shares for ADRs, and ADRs for preferred shares generally will not be subject to United States federal income tax.

#### **Taxation of Dividends and Distributions**

Under the United States federal income tax laws, and subject to the passive foreign investment company ("PFIC") rules discussed below, the gross amount of any dividend we pay out of our current or accumulated earnings and profits (as determined for United States federal income tax purposes) is subject to United States federal income taxation. If you are a non-corporate U.S. holder, dividends paid to you that constitute qualified dividend income will be taxable to you at preferential rates applicable to long-term capital gains provided that you hold the preferred shares or ADSs for more than 60 days during the 121-day period beginning 60 days before the ex-dividend date (or, if the dividend is attributable to a period or periods aggregating over 366 days, provided that you hold the preferred shares or ADSs for more than 90 days during the 181-day period beginning 90 days before the ex-dividend date) and meet other holding period requirements. Dividends we pay with respect to the ADSs generally will be qualified dividend income provided that, in the year that you receive the dividend, the ADSs are readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States. The Bank believes that its ADSs, which are listed on the NYSE, are readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States; however, there can be no assurance that the Bank's ADSs will continue to be readily tradable on an established securities market. Because the preferred shares are not listed on any United States securities market, it is unclear whether dividends we pay with respect to the preferred shares will also be qualified dividend income. If dividends we pay with respect to our preferred shares are not qualified dividend income, then the U.S. dollar amount of such dividends received by a U.S. holder (including dividends received by a non-corporate U.S. holder) will be subject to taxation at ordinary income tax rates.

You must include any Colombian tax withheld from the dividend payment in this gross amount even though you do not in fact receive it. The dividend is taxable to you when you, in the case of preferred shares, or the Depositary, in the case of ADSs, receive the dividend, actually or constructively. The dividend will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction generally allowed to United States corporations in respect of dividends received from other United States corporations. The amount of the dividend distribution that you must include in your income as a U.S. holder will be the U.S. dollar value of the Colombian Peso payments made, determined at the spot Colombian Peso / U.S. dollar rate on the date the dividend distribution is includible in your income, regardless of whether the payment is in fact converted into U.S. dollars. Generally, any gain or loss resulting from currency exchange fluctuations during the period from the date you include the dividend payment in income to the date you convert the payment into U.S. dollars will be treated as ordinary income or loss and will not be eligible for the special tax rate applicable to qualified dividend income. The gain or loss generally will be income or loss from sources within the United States for foreign tax credit limitation purposes. Distributions in excess of current and accumulated earnings and profits, as determined for United States federal income tax purposes, will be treated as a non-taxable return of capital to the extent of your basis in the preferred shares or ADSs and thereafter as capital gain. However, we do not expect to calculate earnings and profits in accordance with U.S. federal income tax principles. Accordingly, you should expect to generally treat distributions with respect to preferred shares or ADSs as dividends.

Subject to certain limitations, the Colombian tax withheld and paid over to Colombia will be creditable or deductible against your United States federal income tax liability. Special rules apply in determining the foreign tax credit limitation with respect to dividends that are subject to preferential rates. To the extent a refund of the tax withheld is available to you under Colombian law, the amount of tax withheld that is refundable will not be eligible for credit

against your United States federal income tax liability. The rules governing foreign tax credits are complex, and U.S. holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the creditability of foreign taxes in their particular circumstances.

For foreign tax credit purposes, dividends will be income from sources outside the United States and will generally be "passive" income for purposes of computing the foreign tax credit allowable to you.

#### **Taxation of Capital Gains**

Subject to the PFIC rules discussed below, if you sell or otherwise dispose of your preferred shares or ADSs, you will recognize capital gain or loss for United States federal income tax purposes equal to the difference between the U.S. dollar value of the amount that you realize and your tax basis, determined in U.S. dollars, in your preferred shares or ADSs. Capital gain of a non-corporate U.S. holder is generally taxed at preferential rates where the property is held for more than one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations. The gain or loss will generally be income or loss from sources within the United States for foreign tax credit limitation purposes.

#### **PFIC Rules**

We believe that preferred shares and ADSs should not be treated as stock of a PFIC for United States federal income tax purposes, but this conclusion is a factual determination that is made annually and thus may be subject to change. If we were to be treated as a PFIC, unless you elect to be taxed annually on a mark-to-market basis with respect to your preferred shares or ADSs, the following rules would apply. With certain exceptions, your preferred shares or ADSs would be treated as stock in a PFIC if we were a PFIC at any time during your holding period in your preferred shares or ADSs.

Any "excess distributions," which would include any distributions during a taxable year that are greater than 125% of the average annual distributions received by you in respect of the preferred shares or ADSs during the three preceding taxable years or, if shorter, your holding period for the preferred shares or ADSs, and any gain realized on the sale or other disposition of your preferred shares or ADSs would be allocated ratably over your holding period for the preferred shares or ADSs and would generally be taxed at the highest tax rate in effect for each such year to which the gain was allocated, together with an interest charge in respect of the tax attributable to each such year. Any gain recognized would not be treated as capital gain.

If you own preferred shares or ADSs in a PFIC that are treated as marketable stock, you may make a mark-to-market election. If you make this election, you will not be subject to the PFIC rules described above. Instead, in general, you will include as ordinary income each year the excess, if any, of the fair market value of your preferred shares or ADSs at the end of the taxable year over your adjusted basis in your preferred shares or ADSs. These amounts of ordinary income will not be eligible for the favorable tax rates applicable to qualified dividend income or long-term capital gains. You will also be allowed to take an ordinary loss in respect of the excess, if any, of the adjusted basis of your

preferred shares or ADSs over their fair market value at the end of the taxable year (but only to the extent of the net amount of previously included income as a result of the mark-to-market election). Your basis in the preferred shares or ADSs will be adjusted to reflect any such income or loss amounts.

In addition, notwithstanding any election you make with regard to the preferred shares or ADSs, dividends that you receive from us would not be eligible for the special tax rates applicable to qualified dividend income if we are treated as a PFIC with respect to you either in the taxable year of the distribution or the preceding taxable year, but instead would be taxable at rates applicable to ordinary income.

#### **Medicare Tax**

A U.S. holder that is an individual or estate, or a trust that does not fall into a special class of trusts that is exempt from such tax, is subject to a 3.8% tax (the "Medicare tax") on the lesser of (1) the U.S. holder's "net investment income" (or "undistributed net investment income" in the case of an estate or trust) for the relevant taxable year and (2) the excess of the U.S. holder's modified adjusted gross income for the taxable year over a certain threshold (which in the case of individuals is between USD 125,000 and USD 250,000, depending on the individual's circumstances). A holder's net investment income generally includes its dividend income and its net gains from the disposition of preferred shares or ADSs, unless such dividend income or net gains are derived in the ordinary course of the conduct of a trade or business (other than a trade or business that consists of certain passive or trading activities). If you are an individual, estate or trust, you are urged to consult your tax advisors regarding the applicability of the Medicare tax to your income and gains in respect of your investment in the preferred shares or ADSs.

#### **Information with Respect to Foreign Financial Assets**

Owners of "specified foreign financial assets" with an aggregate value in excess of USD 50,000 (and in some circumstances, a higher threshold) may be required to file an information report with respect to such assets with their tax returns. "Specified foreign financial assets" include any financial accounts maintained by foreign financial institutions, as well as any of the following, but only if they are held for investment and not held in accounts maintained by financial institutions: (i) stocks and securities issued by non-United States persons (including the preferred shares and ADSs), (ii) financial instruments and contracts that have non-United States issuers or counterparties, and (iii) interests in foreign entities. U.S. holders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the application of this reporting requirement to their ownership of the preferred shares or ADSs.

#### **FATCA Withholding**

Under FATCA, a 30% withholding tax will be imposed on certain payments to certain non-U.S. financial institutions that fail to comply with information reporting requirements or certification requirements in respect of their direct and indirect United States shareholders and/or United States accountholders. To avoid becoming subject to the 30% withholding tax on payments to them, we and other non-U.S. financial institutions may be required to report

information to the IRS regarding the holders of preferred shares or ADSs and to withhold on a portion of payments under the preferred shares or ADSs to certain holders that fail to comply with the relevant information reporting requirements (or hold preferred shares or ADSs directly or indirectly through certain non-compliant intermediaries). However, such withholding will not apply to payments made before January 1, 2019. The rules for the implementation of this legislation have not yet been fully finalized, so it is impossible to determine at this time what impact, if any, this legislation will have on holders of the preferred shares and ADSs.

FATCA is particularly complex and its application is uncertain at this time. The above description is based in part on regulations, the intergovernmental agreement between the United States and Colombia and official guidance, which are subject to change, and the provisions described above may be implemented in a materially different form. Holders of preferred shares or ADSs should consult their own tax advisors regarding how these rules may apply to their investment in the preferred shares or ADSs.

	F.	DIVIDENDS AND PAYING AGENTS
Not applicable.		
	G.	STATEMENT BY EXPERTS
Not applicable.		
	н.	DOCUMENTS ON DISPLAY
apply to foreign pri reference room at 1	vate issuers. You ma	rmation with the SEC pursuant to the rules and regulations of the SEC that y read and copy any document that Bancolombia files at the SEC's public hington, D.C. 20549. Some of the Bank's SEC filings are also available to the <a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a> .
	I.	SUBSIDIARY INFORMATION
Not applicable.		
ITEM 11.	QUANTITATIVI	E AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK
Introduction		

The following section describes the market risks to which Bancolombia is exposed and the tools and methodology used to measure these risks as of December 31, 2017. Bancolombia faces market risk as a consequence of its lending, trading and investments businesses. Market risk represents the potential loss due to adverse changes in market prices of financial instruments as a result of movements in interest rates, foreign exchange rates, equity prices and other risk factors, such as sovereign risk.

Bancolombia's risk management strategy, called the Integrated Risk Management Strategy, is based on principles set by international bodies and by Colombian regulations, and is guided by Bancolombia's corporate strategy. The main objective of the Integrated Risk Management Strategy is to identify measure, coordinate, monitor, report and propose policies for market and liquidity risks of the Bank, which in turn serve to facilitate the efficient administration of Bancolombia's assets and liabilities. Bancolombia's board of directors and senior management have formalized the policies, procedures, strategies and rules of action for market risk administration in its "Market Risk Manual". This manual defines the roles and responsibilities within each subdivision of the Bank and their interaction to ensure adequate market risk administration.

The Bank's Market Risks Management Office is responsible for: (a) identifying, measuring, monitoring, analyzing and controlling the market risk inherent in the Bank's businesses, (b) analyzing the Bank's exposure under stress scenarios and confirming compliance with Bancolombia's risk management policies, (c) analyzing the methodologies for valuation of the market value securities and financial instruments design by the official price vendor, (d) reporting to senior management and the board of directors any violation of Bancolombia's risk management policies, (e) reporting to the senior management on a daily basis the levels of market risk associated with the trading instruments recorded in its treasury book (the "Treasury Book"), and (f) proposing policies to the board of directors and to senior management that ensure the maintenance of predetermined risk levels. The Bank has also implemented an approval process for new products across each of its subdivisions. This process is designed to ensure that every subdivision is prepared to incorporate the new product into their procedures, that every risk is considered before the product is incorporated and that approval is obtained from the board of directors before the new product can be sold.

The Bank's assets include both trading and non-trading instruments. Trading instruments are recorded in the Treasury Book and include fixed income securities and derivatives, foreign exchange (FX) and bond futures, and over-the-counter plain vanilla and exotic derivatives. Trading in derivatives includes forward contracts in foreign currency operations, plain vanilla options and asian options on U.S. dollar/COP currency, foreign exchange swaps and interest rate swaps. Non-trading instruments are recorded in the Bank's banking book (the "Banking Book"), which includes primarily loans, time deposits, checking accounts and savings accounts.

The Bank uses a value at risk ("VaR") calculation to limit its exposure to the market risk of its Treasury Book. The board of directors is responsible for establishing the maximum VaR based on its assessment of the appropriate level of risk for Bancolombia. The Risks Committee is responsible for establishing the maximum VaR by type of investment (e.g., fixed income in public debt) and by type of risk (e.g., currency risk). These limits are supervised on a daily basis by the Market Risk Management Office.

For managing the interest rate risk from banking activities, the Bank analyzes the interest rate mismatches between its interest earning assets and its interest bearing liabilities. In addition, the foreign currency exchange rate exposures arising from the Banking Book are provided to the Treasury Division where these positions are aggregated and managed.

#### **Trading Instruments Market Risk Measurement**

The Bank currently measures the Treasury Book exposure to market risk (including over-the-counter derivatives positions) as well as the currency risk exposure of the Banking Book, which is provided to the Treasury Division, using a VaR methodology established in accordance with "Chapter XXI of the Basic Accounting Circular", issued by the Superintendency of Finance.

The VaR methodology established by "Chapter XXI of the Basic Accounting Circular" is based on the model recommended by the Amendment to the Capital Accord to Incorporate Market Risks of Basel Committee of 2005, which focuses on the Treasury Book and excludes investments measure under amortized cost which are not being given as collateral and any other investment that comprises the Banking Book, such as non-trading positions. In addition, the methodology aggregate all risks by the use of correlations, through an allocation system based on defined zones and bands, affected by given sensitivity factors.

The total market risk for the Bank is calculated by the arithmetical aggregation of the VaR calculated for each subsidiary. The aggregated VaR is reflected in the Bank's Capital Adequacy (Solvency) ratio, in accordance with Decree 1771 of 2012.

For purposes of VaR calculations, a risk exposure category is any market variable that is able to influence potential changes in the portfolio value. Taking into account a given risk exposure, the VaR model assesses the maximum loss not exceeded at a specified confidence level over a given period of time. The fluctuations in the portfolio's VaR depend on volatility, modified duration and positions changes relating to the different instruments that are subject to market risk.

The relevant risk exposure categories for which VaR is computed by Bancolombia according to the "Chapter XXI, appendix 1 of the Basic Accounting Circular" are: (i) interest rate risks relating to local currency, foreign currency and UVR; (ii) currency risk; (iii) stock price risk; and (iv) fund risk.

#### **Interest Rate Risk (Treasury Book):**

The interest rate risk is the probability of decrease in the market value of the position due to fluctuations in market interest rates. Bancolombia calculates the interest rate risk for positions in local currency, foreign currency and UVR separately; in accordance with Chapter XXI of the Basic Accounting Circular issued by the Superintendency of Finance. The calculation of the interest rate risk begins by determining the net position in each instrument and estimating its sensitivity by multiplying its net present value ("NPV") by its "modified duration" and by the interest rate's estimated fluctuation (as defined by the Superintendency of Finance). The interest rate's fluctuations are established by the Superintendency of Finance according to historical market performance, as shown in the following table:

Figure 1. Interest Risk – Sensitivity by Bands and Zones

Zone	Band		lified ation	Interest fluctu (basis	ation	ıs
Zone		Low	High	Pesos	URV	USD
	1	0	0.08	274	274	100
Zone 1  Zone 2	2	0.08	0.25	268	274	100
	3	0.25	0.5	259	274	100
	4	0.5	1	233	274	100
	5	1	1.9	222	250	90
	6	1.9	2.8	222	250	80
	7	2.8	3.6	211	220	75
	8	3.6	4.3	211	220	75
Zone 3	9	4.3	5.7	172	200	70
	10	5.7	7.3	162	170	65
	11	7.3	9.3	162	170	60
	12	9.3	10.6	162	170	60
	13	10.6	12	162	170	60
	14	12	20	162	170	60
	15	20	-	162	170	60

Once the sensitivity factor is calculated for each position, the modified duration is then used to classify each position within its corresponding band. A net sensitivity is then calculated for each band, by determining the difference between the sum of all long-positions and the sum of all short-positions. Then a net position is calculated for each zone (which consists of a series of bands) determined by the Superintendency of Finance. The final step is to make adjustments within each band, across bands and within each zone, which results in a final number that is the interest rate risk VaR by currency. Each adjustment is performed following the guidelines established by the Superintendency of Finance.

The Bank's exposure to interest risk primarily arises from investments in Colombian government's treasury bonds (TES) and another securities issued by the Colombian government.

The interest rate risk VaR increased from COP 252 billion on December 31, 2016 to COP 284 billion on December 31, 2017, due to the rise in the position in Colombian government's treasury bonds (TES) in the liquidity portfolio. During the year 2017, the average interest rate risk VaR was COP 290 billion, the maximum value COP 304 billion, and the minimum value COP 270 billion.

## Currency (Treasury and Banking Book), Equity (Treasury Book) and Fund Risk (Treasury Book):

The VaR model uses a sensitivity factor to calculate the probability of loss due to fluctuations in the price of stocks, funds and currencies in which the Bank maintains a position. As previously indicated, the methodology used in this Annual Report to measure such risk consists of computing VaR, which is derived by multiplying the position by the maximum probable variation in the price of such positions ("Dp"). The Dp is determined by the Superintendency of Finance, as shown in the following table:

Figure 2. Sensitivity Factor for Currency Risks, Equity Risks and Fund Risks

USD	12.49%
Euro	11.00%
Other currencies	13.02%
Funds	14.70%
Stock Price	14.70%

Update of currency risk exposure sensitivity factors (Dollar EEUU 5.5% to 12.49%, Euro 6% to 11% and other currencies 8% to 13.02%).

The Circular External 027 of 2017 issued by the SFC, increased currency sensitivity factors since December 1st, 2017.

The currency risk VaR increase from COP 247 billion as of December 31, 2016 to COP 559 billion as of December 31, 2017 due to the rise of the 27.39% in the net position in U.S. dollars in Bancolombia and the increase in currency sensitivity factors. Between December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2017, the average currency risk VaR was COP 488 billion, the maximum value COP 884 billion, and the minimum value COP 330 billion; and additionally by the increase sensitivity factors.

The equity risk VaR increased from COP 61 billion as of December 31, 2016 to COP 71 billion as of December 31, 2017 due to the surge in the brokerage firm's trading position and the increase in the market value of the Bank's equity positions. Between December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2017, the average equity VaR was COP 77 billion, the maximum value COP 84 billion, and the minimum value COP 71 billion.

The fund risk, which arises from investment in mutual funds, increased from COP 161 billion as of December 31, 2016 to COP 173 billion as of December 31, 2017. Between December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2017, the average fund risk VaR was COP 156 billion, the maximum value COP 174 billion, and the minimum value COP 35 billion.

As mentioned above the Bank uses the regulatory VaR model to measure its exposure to market risk, in accordance with "Chapter XXI of the Basic Accounting Circular", issued by the Superintendency of Finance. The interest rate's fluctuations and the sensitivity factors for equity and fund risk used in the model are established by the Superintendency of Finance according to historical market performance, and have not changed since March 2011.

#### **Total Market Risk VaR**

The total market risk VaR is calculated as the algebraic sum of the interest rate risk, the currency risk, the stock price risk and the fund risk.

The total market risk VaR, rose 51%, going from COP 721 billion in December 31, 2016 to COP 1,086 billion as of December 31, 2017, due mainly to increase in the currency risk mentioned above.

Assumptions and Limitations of VaR Models: Although VaR models represent a recognized tool for risk management, they have inherent limitations, including reliance on historical data that may not be indicative of future market conditions or trading patterns. Accordingly, VaR models should not be viewed as predictive of future results. The Bank may incur in losses that could be materially in excess of the amounts indicated by the models on a particular trading day or over a period of time, and there have been instances when results have fallen outside the values generated by the Bank's VaR models. A VaR model does not calculate the greatest possible loss. The results of these models and analysis thereof are subject to the reasonable judgment of the Bank's risk management personnel.

The chart below provides information about Bancolombia's consolidated VaR for trading instruments at the end of December 2016 and December 2017.

	As of December 31,			
	2017	2016		
	In millions	of COP		
Interest Rate Risk VaR	283,548	251,904		
Currency Risk VaR	559,362	247,047		
Equity Risk VaR	70,758	61,120		
Fund Risk VaR	173,236	161,225		
Total VaR	1,086,904	721,296		

Includes Grupo Agromercantil's market risk exposure at a 100%

Between December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2017, the average Total VaR was COP 1,011 billion, the maximum value COP 1,407 billion, and the minimum value COP 877 billion.

#### **Non-Trading Instruments Market Risk Measurement**

The Banking Book's relevant risk exposure is interest rate risk, which is the probability of unexpected changes in net interest income as a result of a change in market interest rates. Changes in interest rates affect Bancolombia's earnings as a result of timing differences on the repricing of the assets and liabilities. The Bank manages the interest rate risk arising from banking activities in non-trading instruments by analyzing the interest rate mismatches between its interest earning assets and its interest bearing liabilities. The foreign currency exchange rate exposures arising from the Banking Book are provided to the Treasury Division where these positions are aggregated and managed.

## **Interest Risk Exposure (Banking Book)**

The Bank has performed a sensitivity analysis of market risk sensitive instruments estimating the impact on the net interest income of each position in the Banking Book, using a repricing model and assuming positive parallel shifts of 100 basis points (bps).

The table 1 provides information about Bancolombia's interest rate sensitivity for the statement of financial position items comprising the Banking Book:

# Table 1. Sensitivity to Interest Rate Risk of the Banking Book

The chart below provides information about Bancolombia's interest rate risk sensitivity in local currency (COP) at December 31, 2017 and 2016:

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

As of December 31, 2017 2016 In millions of COP \$ 692,001 \$ 614,268

Assets sensitivity 100 bps Liabilities sensitivity 100 bps \$ 361,428 \$ 366.262 Net interest income sensitivity 100 bps \$ 330,573 \$ 248,006

The chart below provides information about Bancolombia's interest rate risk sensitivity in foreign currency (USD) at December 31, 2017 and 2016:

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

Assets sensitivity 100 bps

Liabilities sensitivity 100 bps

As of December 31, 2017 2016

In thousands of US dollars USD 75,670 USD 78,173 USD 60,229 USD 71,401 Net interest income sensitivity 100 bps USD 15,441 USD 6,772

of a decrease in interest rates, the impacts on net interest income would be opposite to those described above.

A positive net sensitivity denotes a higher sensitivity of assets than of liabilities and implies that a rise in interest rates will positively affect the Bank's net interest income. A negative sensitivity denotes a higher sensitivity of liabilities than of assets and implies that a rise in interest rates will negatively affect the Bank's net interest income. In the event

#### **Total Exposure:**

As of December 31, 2017, the net interest income sensitivity in local currency for the banking book instruments, entered into for other than trading purposes with positive parallel shifts of 100 basis points was COP 330,573. The change in the net interest income sensitivity between 2017 and 2016 is due to the growth in floating rate loans.

On the other hand, the net interest income sensitivity in foreign currency, assuming the same parallel shift of 100 basis points, was USD 15 at December 31, 2017, compared with USD 7 at December 31, 2016. The increase in net interest income between 2017 and 2016 is due to the reduction in interbank borrowings.

#### **Assumptions and Limitations:**

Net interest income sensitivity analysis is based on the repricing model and consider the following key assumptions: (a) does not consider prepayments, new operations, defaults, etc., (b); the fixed rate instruments sensitivity, includes the amounts with maturity lower than one year and assumes these will be disbursed at market interest rates and (c) changes in interest rate occur immediately and parallel in the yield curves from assets and liabilities for different maturities.

#### **Structural Equity Risk Exposure (Banking Book)**

Bancolombia's investment banking affiliate, in its role of financial corporation, has, directly and through its affiliated companies, structural equity investments. These positions are maintained mostly in energy and financial sectors. The market value of those investments increased by 28.84% during the year, as a consequence of the rise of a fraction in the investments of financial sector, going from COP 113 billion as of December 31, 2016 to COP 146 billion as of December 31, 2017.

The structural equity positions are exposed to market risk. Sensitivity calculations are made for those positions:

As of December 31, 2017 2016 In millions of COP

Market Value146,667113,835Delta14.7%14.7%Sensitivity21,56016,734

A negative impact of 14.7%, apply to the market value, produces a decrease of COP 21 billion on the structural equity investments market value, going from COP 146 billion to COP 125 billion.

#### ITEM 12. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES OTHER THAN EQUITY SECURITIES

#### **D. American Depositary Shares**

#### D.3. Fees and charges applicable to holders of American Depositary Receipts

The depositary collects its fees for delivery and surrender of ADSs directly from investors depositing shares or surrendering ADSs for the purpose of withdrawal or from intermediaries acting for them. The depositary may generally refuse to provide fee-attracting services until its fees for those services are paid.

The following are the fees charged by the depositary:

## Persons depositing or withdrawing shares must pay:

USD 5.00 per 100 ADSs (or portion of 100 ADSs)

Registration or transfer fees

Expenses of the depositary

Taxes and other Governmental charges the depositary or the custodian has to pay on any ADSs or share underlying a ADSs, for example, stock • As necessary. transfer taxes, stamp duty or withholding taxes.

For:

- Issuance of ADSs, including issuances resulting from a distribution of shares or rights or other property.
- Cancellation of ADSs for the purpose of withdrawal, including if the deposit agreement terminates.
- Transfer and registration of shares on our share register to or from the name of the depositary or its agent when you deposit or withdraw shares.
- Cable, telex and facsimile transmissions (when expressly provided in the deposit agreement).
- Converting foreign currency to U.S. dollars.

#### Persons depositing or withdrawing shares must pay: For:

Any charges incurred by the depositary or its agents for servicing the deposited securities. • As necessary.

#### D.4.i. FEES INCURRED IN PAST ANNUAL PERIOD

From January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017, the depositary reimbursed Bancolombia USD 550,000 for expenses related to the administration and maintenance of the ADR facility, investor relations activities, annual listing fees and any other ADR program-related expenses incurred by Bancolombia directly associated with the Bank's preferred share ADR program. In addition, Fiduciaria Bancolombia, a subsidiary of the Bank, received COP 458 million from The Bank of New York Mellon during the same period in connection with its role as local custodian of the depositary bank.

#### D.4.ii. FEES TO BE PAID IN THE FUTURE

The Bank of New York Mellon, as depositary, has agreed to reimburse the Bank for expenses incurred that are related to establishment and maintenance expenses of the ADS program. The depositary has agreed to reimburse the Company for its continuing annual stock exchange listing fees. The depositary has also agreed to pay the standard out-of-pocket maintenance costs for the ADRs, which consist of the expenses of postage and envelopes for mailing annual and interim financial reports, printing and distributing dividend checks, electronic filing of U.S. federal tax information, mailing required tax forms, stationery, postage, facsimile, and telephone calls. It has also agreed to reimburse the Company annually for certain investor relationship programs or special investor relations promotional activities. In certain instances, the depositary has agreed to provide additional payments to the Company based on any applicable performance indicators relating to the ADR facility. There are limits on the amount of expenses for which the depositary will reimburse the Company, but the amount of reimbursement available to the Company is not necessarily tied to the amount of fees the depositary collects from investors.

The depositary collects its fees for delivery and surrender of ADSs directly from investors depositing shares or surrendering ADSs for the purpose of withdrawal or from intermediaries acting for them. The depositary collects fees for making distributions to investors by deducting those fees from the amounts distributed or by selling a portion of distributable property to pay the fees. The depositary may collect its annual fee for depositary services by deduction from cash distributions or by directly billing investors or by charging the book-entry system accounts of participants acting for them. The depositary may generally refuse to provide fee-attracting services until its fees for those services are paid.

#### **PART II**

#### ITEM 13. DEFAULTS, DIVIDEND ARREARAGES AND DELINQUENCIES

There has not been any default, arrearage or delinquency neither in the payment of principal, interest, a sinking or purchase fund installment, nor in any payment relating to indebtedness or dividends by the Bank or any of its subsidiaries.

# ITEM 14. MATERIAL MODIFICATIONS TO THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS AND USE OF PROCEEDS

There has not been any modification to the rights of security holders and use of proceeds.

#### **ITEM 15.**

#### CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Management, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), performed an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of December 31, 2017. Based on that evaluation, the Bank's management identified a material weakness in the controls related to the estimation of impairment for individually significant impaired commercial loans. Specifically, the review controls over the key judgments and information used in measuring impairment were not designed effectively and did not operate effectively. Consequently, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, were not effective as of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report. Management did not identify any other deficiencies that had a material adverse effect on the effectiveness of the Company's controls and procedures.

# Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. The Bank's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of consolidated financial statements for external purposes in accordance with IFRS.

A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Bank's annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis.

The Bank's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that:

Pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Bank;

- provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Bank are being made only in accordance with authorizations of the Bank's management and directors; and
- provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Bank's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Projections of any evaluation of effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Management assessed the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017 based on criteria established in the Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 Framework version). Based on this assessment, management concluded that the Bank's internal control over financial reporting was not effective as of 31 December 2017 due to the existence of a material weakness in the internal controls as described above. Notwithstanding the material weakness described above, based on the additional analysis and other procedures performed, we believe the consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 20-F are fairly presented in all material respects, in conformity with IFRS.

The effectiveness of the Bank's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017 has been audited by Deloitte & Touche Ltda., an independent registered public accounting firm, which report is included on page F-1 of this annual report and expresses an adverse opinion on the effectiveness of the Bank's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017.

In addition, there were no changes in Bank's internal control over financial reporting occurred during the period covered by this annual report that has materially affected, or is reasonable likely to materially affect the Bank's internal control over financial reporting.

#### Remediation plan

Management has made significant progress in the remediation of this material weakness through the following activities:

Implementing controls to assure the completeness of the inputs and accuracy of the assumptions used to estimate loan losses from individually significant impaired commercial loans.

Defining procedures required to ensure sufficient detailed documentation to support the assumptions made for the estimation.

Providing additional training regarding Sarbanes-Oxley Act requirements to key personal in charge of loan losses estimation process.

Increasing the monitoring of activities during the year of the controls related to this process.

Management believes the foregoing efforts, once fully implemented, will effectively remediate the material weakness.

The Bank may take additional measures or modify the remediation plan described above as part of the ongoing improvement process.

**ITEM 16.** 

## **RESERVED**

#### A.AUDIT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL EXPERT

The board of directors of Bancolombia appointed Hernando Jose Gomez Restrepo as the audit committee financial expert in accordance with SEC rules and regulations.

Our audit committee financial expert, along with the other members of our audit committee, is considered to be independent according to applicable NYSE criteria.

Mr. Gomez has served as the Bank's audit committee financial expert since April 2016. There is no business relationship between him and the Bank, except for standard personal banking services. Further, there is no fee arrangement between Mr. Gomez and the Bank, except in connection with his capacity as a member of the Bank's board of directors and as a member of the audit committee. Mr. Gomez is considered an independent director under Colombian law and the Bank's Corporate Governance Code, as well as under NYSE's director independence standards. For more information regarding our audit committee, see Item 6. "Directors, Senior Management and Employees— C. Board Practices—Audit Committee".

#### B.CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND CODE OF ETHICS

Bancolombia has adopted a Code of Ethics and a Corporate Governance Code, both of which apply to all employees, including our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer, as well as to the directors of the Bank.

English translations of the Ethics Code and the Corporate Governance Code are posted at Bancolombia's website at www.grupobancolombia.com.co. The Spanish versions of these codes will prevail for all legal purposes.

The Bank also has a phone line called the "ethics line" (línea ética) which is available for anonymous reporting of any evidence of improper conduct.

Under the NYSE's Corporate Governance Standards, Bancolombia, as a listed foreign private issuer, must disclose any significant ways in which its corporate governance practices differ from those followed by U.S. companies under NYSE listing standards. See Item 16. "G Corporate Governance".

#### C.PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

#### **Audit Fees**

The aggregate fees billed under the caption audit fees for professional services rendered to Bancolombia for the audit of its financial statements and for services that are normally provided to Bancolombia, in connection with statutory or regulatory filings or engagements totaled COP 16,978 and COP 14,781 million by Deloitte & Touche Ltda for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

#### **Audit-Related Fees**

In 2017 and 2016, Bancolombia paid no other audit related fees.

# **Tax Fees**

For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, Bancolombia did not contract professional services related with tax compliance, tax advice or tax planning rendered by Deloitte & Touche Ltda.

## **All Other Fees**

In 2017 and 2016, Bancolombia paid no other fees to Deloitte & Touche Ltda.

#### **Pre-Approval Policies and Procedures**

The Bank's audit committee's charters includes the following pre-approval policies and procedures:

In those events in which additional services are required to be provided by the external auditors, such services must be previously approved by the audit committee. Whenever this approval is not obtained at a meeting held by the audit committee, the approval will be obtained through the Legal Vice Presidency, who will be responsible for soliciting the consent from each of the audit committee members. The approval will be obtained with the favorable vote of the majority of its members.

Every request of approval of additional services must be adequately supported, including complete and effective information regarding the characteristics of the service that will be provided by the external auditors.

During 2017, there were no services approved by the audit committee pursuant to paragraph (c) (7) (i) (C) of Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X.

#### D. EXEMPTIONS FROM THE LISTING STANDARDS FOR AUDIT COMMITTEES

There are no exceptions from the listing standards for audit committees.

#### E.PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES BY THE ISSUER AND AFFILIATED PURCHASERS

There have not been any purchases by Bancolombia or any affiliated purchaser (as defined in 17CFR240.10b-18(a) (3)) of shares or any other units of any class of equity securities issued by Bancolombia.

Colombian law prohibits the repurchase of shares issued by entities supervised by the SFC. Therefore, neither Bancolombia nor any of its Subsidiaries that are under supervision of such Superintendency may repurchase securities issued by them.

### F. CHANGE IN REGISTRANT'S CERTIFYING ACCOUNTANT

On February 19, 2018, our Board of Directors approved a proposal for Price Waterhouse Coopers PwC Ltda. (PWC) to be appointed as the independent registered public accounting firm of Bancolombia S.A., and its consolidated subsidiaries, beginning on the fiscal year ended in December 31, 2018. Such proposal was adopted with the favourable opinion of the Bank's Audit Committee. Moreover, this appointment, and the dismissal of Deloitte and Touche Ltda. (Deloitte) as the former registered public accounting, was approved by the Shareholders General Meeting held on March 14, 2018.

The report of Deloitte on our financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016 did not contain any adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and was not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

Deloitte's audit report dated April 29, 2018, on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017, expressed an adverse opinion related to the following material weakness: controls relating the estimation of impairment for individually significant impaired commercial loans were not designed effectively and did not operate effectively.

In connection with the audit of the Bank's Consolidated Financial Statements for the fiscal periods ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, there have been no disagreements with Deloitte on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure, or auditing scope or procedure or reportable events (as defined in Item 16F(a)(1)(v) of Form 20-F).

We have provided Deloitte with a copy of this Item 16F and have requested and received from Deloitte a letter addressed to the Securities and Exchange Commission stating whether or not Deloitte agrees with the above statements. A copy of the letter from Deloitte is attached as Exhibit 15.3 to this annual report.

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Further in the two years prior to December 31, 2017 or in any subsequent interim period, Bancolombia has not consulted with PWC regarding either (i) the application of accounting principles to a specified transaction, either completed or proposed, or the type of audit opinion that might be rendered with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Bancolombia, and either a report was provided to Bancolombia or oral advice was provided that PWC concluded was an important factor considered by Bancolombia in reaching a decision as to the accounting, auditing or financial reporting issue or (ii) any matter that was either the subject of a disagreement as that term is used in Item 16F(a)(1)(iv) of Form 20-F or a reportable event as described in Item 16F(a)(1)(v) of Form 20-F.

### G. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Bancolombia, as a listed company that qualifies as a foreign private issuer under the NYSE listing standards in accordance with the NYSE corporate governance rules, is permitted to follow home-country practice in some circumstances in lieu of the provisions of the corporate governance rules contained in Section 303A of the NYSE Listed Company Manual that are applicable to U.S. companies. The Bank follows corporate governance practices applicable to Colombian companies and those described in the Bank's Corporate Governance Code, which in turn follows Colombian corporate governance rules. An English translation of the Corporate Governance Code is available at Bancolombia's website at www.grupobancolombia.com.co. The Spanish prevails for all legal purposes.

In Colombia, a series of laws and regulations set forth corporate governance requirements. External Circular 029 of 2014, issued by the SFC, contains the corporate governance standards to be followed by companies issuing securities that may be purchased by Colombian pension funds, and determines that entities under supervision of the SFC, when making investment decisions, must take into account the recommendations established by the "Country Code" (Código País) and the corporate governance standards followed by the entities who are beneficiaries of the investment.

Additionally, Law 964 of 2005 established mandatory corporate governance requirements for all issuers whose securities are publicly traded in the Colombian market, and Decree 2555 of 2010 regulates the information disclosure requirements for the Colombian securities market SIMEV (Sistema Integral de Información del Mercado de Valores). Bancolombia's corporate governance standards comply with these legal requirements and Bancolombia has implemented additional corporate governance measures pursuant to regional recommendations including the OECD White Paper on Corporate Governance for Latin America and the Andean Development Corporation's (CAF) Corporate Governance Code.

The following is a summary of the significant differences between the corporate governance practices followed by Bancolombia and those applicable to domestic issuers under the NYSE listing standards:

Independence of Directors. Under NYSE corporate governance rules, a majority of a U.S. company's board of directors must be composed of independent directors. Regarding Colombian legislation, Law 964 of 2005 requires that at least 25% of the members of the Bank's board of directors are independent directors, and Decree 3923 of 2006 regulates their election. Additionally, Colombian law requires that all directors exercise independent judgment under all circumstances. Bancolombia's Corporate Governance Code includes a provision stating that directors shall exercise independent judgment and requires that Bancolombia's management recommend to its shareholders lists of director nominees of which at least 25% are independent directors. As of December 31, 2017, the Bank's board of directors included a majority of independent members (5 members of 7). For the independence test applicable to directors of Bancolombia, see Item 10. "Additional Information. – B. Memorandum and Articles of Association – Board of Directors".

Non-Executive Director Meetings. Pursuant to the NYSE listing standards, non-executive directors of U.S. listed companies must meet on a regular basis without management present. There is no prohibition under Colombian regulations for officers to be members of the board of directors; however, it is customary for Colombian companies to maintain separation between the directors and management. Bancolombia's board of directors does not include any management members; however, the CEO attends the monthly meetings of the Bank's board of directors, and members of senior management may attend the meetings of the board of directors and committees to guarantee an adequate flow of information between employees, management and directors; in both cases, the CEO and members of senior management are not allowed to vote. In accordance with Law 964 of 2005 and the Bank's by-laws, no executive officer can be elected as chairman of the Bank's board of directors.

Committees of the Board of Directors. Under NYSE listing standards, all U.S. companies listed on the NYSE must have an audit committee, a compensation committee, and a nominating/corporate governance committee and all members of such committees must be independent. In each case, the independence of directors must be established pursuant to highly detailed rules enacted by the NYSE and, in the case of the audit committee, the NYSE and the SEC. The Bank's board of directors has a Designation, Compensation and Development Committee, a Corporate Governance Committee, a Risk Committee and an Audit Committee, each of which is composed exclusively of directors. For a description of the Designation, Compensation and Development Committee, Corporate Governance Committee, Audit Committee and Risk Committee, see Item 6. "Directors, Senior Management and Employees – C. Board Practices".

Stockholders' Approval of Dividends. While NYSE corporate governance standards do not require listed companies to have stockholders approve or declare dividends, in accordance with the Colombian Code of Commerce, all dividends must be approved by Bancolombia's stockholders.

### H.MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

### **PART III**

**ITEM 17.** 

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

See Item 18.

**ITEM 18.** 

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Reference is made to pages F-1 through F-185.

**ITEM 19.** 

**EXHIBITS** 

The following exhibits are filed as part of this Annual Report.

- English translation of the corporate by-laws (*estatutos sociales*) of the registrant, as amended on October 30, 2015.<sup>(1)</sup>
- 2.1 Deposit Agreement entered into between Bancolombia and The Bank of New York, as amended and restated on January 14, 2008. (2)
- Instruments defining the rights of the holders of long-term debt issued by Bancolombia S.A. and its subsidiaries.

The Bank agrees to furnish to the SEC upon request, copies of the instruments, including indentures, defining the rights of the holders of our long-term debt and of our subsidiaries' long-term debt.

- <u>7.1</u> <u>Selected Ratios' Calculation.</u>
- 8.1 List of Subsidiaries.
- 12.1 CEO Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, dated April 29, 2018.
- 12.2 CFO Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, dated April 29, 2018.
- 13.1 CEO Certification pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, dated April 29, 2018.
- 13.2 CFO Certification pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, dated April 29, 2018.
- 15.1 Consent of Deloitte & Touche Ltda.
- 15.2 Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers Ltda.
- 15.3 Letter from Deloitte and Touche Ltda. regarding Item 16F.
- 101.INS XBRL Instance Document
- 101.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
- 101.CALXBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
- 101.DEF XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
- 101.LABXBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document

101.PRE XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

(1) Incorporated by reference to our annual report on Form 20-F (File No. 001 – 32535) filed on April 22, 2016. (2) Incorporated by reference to the Registration Statement in Form F-6, filed by Bancolombia on January 14, 2008

### **SIGNATURE**

The registrant hereby certifies that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form 20-F and that it has duly caused and authorized the undersigned to sign this annual report on its behalf.

## **BANCOLOMBIA S.A.**

/s/ JAIME ALBERTO VELASQUEZ BOTERO

Name: Jaime Alberto Velasquez Botero Title: Vice President, Strategy and Finance

Date: April 29, 2018

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### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Shareholders and the Board of Directors of Bancolombia S.A.

#### **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of financial position of BANCOLOMBIA S.A. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in equity, and cash flow for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2017 and the related notes (collectively referred as to the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2017 in conformity with the International Financial Reporting Standards, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS").

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017, based on criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated April 29, 2018, expressed an adverse opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting because of a material weakness.

### **Basis for Opinion**

These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's Management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risk. Such procedures included examining, on test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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/s/ Deloitte & Touche Ltda.
Medellin, Colombia
April 29, 2018
We have served as the Company's auditor since 2016.
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### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Shareholders and the Board of Directors of Bancolombia S.A.

### **Opinion on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of BANCOLOMBIA S.A. and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2017, based on criteria established in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework* (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). In our opinion, because of the effect of the material weakness identified below on the achievement of the objectives of the control criteria, the Company has not maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2017, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* (2013) issued by COSO.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017, of the Company and our report dated April 29, 2018, expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

### **Basis for Opinion**

The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

### **Definition and Limitations of Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with IFRS, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

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Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detected misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

#### **Material Weakness**

A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the company's annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. The following material weakness has been identified and included in management's assessment: controls relating the estimation of impairment for individually significant impaired commercial loans were not designed effectively and did not operate effectively. This material weakness was considered in determining the nature, timing, and extent of audit tests applied in our audit of the consolidated financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017, of the Company, and this report does not affect our report on such financial statements.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche Ltda.

Medellin, Colombia

April 29, 2018

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Bancolombia S. A.

In our opinion, the consolidated statement of income, of comprehensive income, of changes in equity and of cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2015 present fairly, in all material respects, the results of operations and cash flows of Bancolombia S. A. for the year ended December 31, 2015, in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit of these financial statements in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers Ltda.

Bogotá, Colombia

April 22, 2016

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

## BANCOLOMBIA S.A. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016

(Stated in millions of Colombian pesos)

	Note	<b>December 31, 201</b>	7 December 31, 2016
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	18,165,644	20,460,245
Financial assets Investments	5.1	16,377,253	13,060,653
Derivative financial instruments	5.2	1,134,372	1,677,970
Financial assets investments and derivative financial instruments	}	17,511,625	14,738,623
Loans and advances to customers and financial Institutions		160,468,094	151,747,486
Allowance for loans and advances and lease losses		(8,223,103)	(6,621,911)
Loans and advances to customers and financial institutions, net	6	152,244,991	145,125,575
Assets held for sale and inventories, net	12	377,003	273,187
Investment in associates and joint ventures	7	1,565,059	1,298,246
Investment property	10	1,657,409	1,581,689
Premises and equipment, net	9	3,127,405	3,115,697
Goodwill and intangible assets, net	8	6,631,424	6,694,037
Deferred tax, net	11.3.	3 148,614	222,862
Other assets, net	13	2,479,037	2,750,883
TOTAL ASSETS		203,908,211	196,261,044
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
LIABILITIES			
Deposits by customers	14	131,959,215	124,624,011
Interbank deposits	15	1,084,591	341,856
Repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing	15	3,236,128	1,924,010
Liabilities relating to assets held for sale	12	102,976	-
Derivative financial instruments	5.2	945,853	1,312,450
Borrowings from other financial institutions	16	13,822,152	18,905,843
Debt securities in issue	17	19,648,714	18,704,809
Preferred shares		582,985	581,972
Current tax		161,966	124,802
Deferred tax, net	11.3.	31,440,198	1,325,354
Employees benefit plans	18	697,401	650,802
Other liabilities	19	5,796,482	5,288,155
TOTAL LIABILITIES		179,478,661	173,784,064
EQUITY			
Share capital	21	480,914	480,914
Additional paid-in-capital		4,857,454	4,857,454

Appropriated reserves	22	9,045,155	7,472,409	
Retained earnings		6,183,182	6,380,657	
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax		2,546,259	2,076,149	
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE		23,112,964	21,267,583	
OWNERS OF THE PARENT COMPANY		23,112,704	21,207,565	
Non-controlling interest		1,316,586	1,209,397	
TOTAL EQUITY		24,429,550	22,476,980	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		203,908,211	196,261,044	

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

## BANCOLOMBIA S.A. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

For the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015

(Stated in millions of Colombian pesos, except EPS)

	Note	2017	2016	2015
Interest on loans and financial leases	1,000			
Commercial		8,027,598	7,952,627	5,487,993
Consumer			3,069,124	
Small business loans		237,266	236,979	188,438
Mortgage		1,831,716	1,767,761	1,396,002
Leasing		2,054,262	1,993,851	1,547,634
Interest income on loans and financial leases		15,973,585	5 15,020,342	2 10,953,240
Interest income on overnight and market funds		26,779	20,968	14,564
Interest and valuation on investments	24.1	685,313	707,495	301,840
Total interest and valuation		16,685,677	15,748,805	11,269,644
Interest expenses	24.2	(6,232,986	)(6,053,100	)(4,037,941)
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments				
before impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance		10,452,691	9,695,705	7,231,703
sheet credit instruments				
Credit impairment charges on loans and advances and financial leases	, 6	(3.468.600	)(2 643 710	)(1,667,680)
net	U	(3,400,077	)(2,043,710	)(1,007,000)
Credit impairment recoveries (charges) on off balance sheet credit		6,854	(87,442)	(7,421)
instruments		,	, , ,	, , ,
Total credit impairment charges, net		(3,461,845	)(2,731,152	)(1,675,101)
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments				
after impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance shee	et	6,990,846	6,964,553	5,556,602
credit instruments				
Fees and commission income	24.3		3,285,235	, ,
Fees and commission expenses	24.3		)(966,271)	
Total fees and commission, net	24.3	, ,	2,318,964	, ,
Other operating income	24.4		1,487,123	
Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees	24.5	266,170	176,692	211,574
Impairment charges on joint venture	7	(173,339)		-
Total operating income, net		11,220,216	5 10,947,332	2 9,133,922
Operating expenses				
Salaries and employee benefits				)(2,255,391)
Other administrative and general expenses	25.1			(2,237,598)
Wealth tax, contributions and other tax burden			(741,184)	
Impairment, depreciation and amortization	25.2		(517,809)	
Other expenses			(259,792)	
Total operating expenses		(7,227,445	)(6,979,050	)(5,898,287)

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Profit before tax		3,992,771	3,968,282	3,235,635
Income tax	11.3.6	(1,238,598	)(1,176,832	)(649,250)
Profit for the year from continuing operations		2,754,173	2,791,450	2,586,385
Net income from discontinued operations	30, 11.3.6	<b>5</b> -	163,497	22,513
Net income		2,754,173	2,954,947	2,608,898
Net income attributable to equity holders of the Parent Company		2,615,000	2,865,328	2,518,890
Non-controlling interest		139,173	89,619	90,008
Basic and Diluted earnings per share to common shareholders	26	2,780	3,040	2,680
From continuing operations		2,780	2,870	2,656
From discontinued operations		_	170	24

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

## BANCOLOMBIA S.A. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

As of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015

(Stated in millions of Colombian pesos)

	Note	2017	2016	2015
Net income	Note			72,608,898
Other comprehensive income/(loss) that will not be reclassified to net		2,754,17	J <del>2</del> ,	7 2,000,000
income				
Remeasurement (loss)/income related to defined benefit liability		3,753	626	(59,434)
Related tax		(3,725)	(10,966)	
Net of tax amount	11.2	28		(50,122)
Investments at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI):				
Gain on investments transferred to retained earnings upon disposal (1)		-	(42,414)	-
Transfer within equity upon merger of equity investments <sup>(2)</sup>		(38,420)	-	-
Unrealized gain		67,515	250,690	128,271
Related tax		9,789	24,341	9,052
Net of tax amount	11.2, 5.1	38,884	232,617	137,323
Total other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified to net income, net of tax		38,912	222,277	87,201
Other comprehensive profit that may be reclassified to net income				
Foreign currency translation adjustments:				
Exchange differences arising on translating the foreign operations		412,878	(672,684)	3,091,491
Gain or loss on net investment hedge in foreign operations		36,762	327,272	(1,665,422)
Gain reclassified to statement of income on acquisition of a foreign operation (3)	n	-	-	(18,394)
Related tax		(6,895)	-	-
Net of tax amount	11.2	442,745	(345,412)	1,407,675
Net (loss)/gain on cash flow hedges (4)		-	(12,112)	6,378
Net of tax amount		-	(12,112)	6,378
Unrealized (loss) on investments in associates and joint ventures using equit method	<sup>y</sup> 7	(11,547)	(1,718)	(23,781)
Net of tax amount		(11,547)	(1,718)	(23,781)
Total other comprehensive gains/(loss) that may be reclassified to net income, net of tax		431,198	(359,242)	1,390,272
Other comprehensive income/(loss), net of tax		470,110	(136,965)	1,477,473
Total comprehensive income attributable to:		•		24,086,371
Equity holders of the Parent Company				33,996,363
Non-controlling interests		139,173	89,619	90,008

On May 31, 2016, the Bank completed the process for the sale of all of its minority stake in Cifin S.A. This sale, (1) involved various financial institutions as sellers, including Bancolombia S.A., and TransUnion Netherlands II B.V., as buyer.

Likewise, during 2017, the Bank transferred from OCI to retained earnings the amount of COP 38,420 mainly due (2) to the merger between Bolsa de Valores de Colombia BVC and Deceval. The Bank held equity investments of both issuers designated as at FVTOCI.

On December 30, 2015 the Bank acquired an additional 20% equity interest of the Grupo Agromercantil Holding (GAH) from BAM Financial Corporation, obtaining control. This item corresponds to the reclassification of the respective currency traslation adjustment in the GAH investment as an associate as of December 31, 2015. See Note 8 Goodwill and Intangible assets, net.

In 2016 the Bank's subsidiary, Banistmo, discontinued cash flow hedge accounting. For further information see Note 5.2. Derivatives Financial Instruments.

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

## BANCOLOMBIA S.A. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

For the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015

(Stated in millions of Colombian pesos, except per share amounts)

## **Attributable to owners of Parent Company**

## Accumulated other comprehensive income

Balance as of				Translation	Investments At fair value Through OCI	[Associates	Employee Benefits		Attributable To owners Of Parent Company	
January 1, 2017 Dividend payment corresponding to 509,704,584	480,914	4,857,454	7,472,409	1,807,644	340,629	8,522	(80,646)	6,380,657	21,267,583	1,2
common shares and 452,122,416 preferred shares without voting rights, subscribed and paid as of December 31, 2016, at a rate of COP 950 per share.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(856,419)	(856,419)	-
Legal reserve movements	-	-	1,914,464	-	-	-	-	(1,914,464)	_	-
Release of reserves by law	, <del>-</del>	-	(421,730)	-	-	-	-	-	(421,730)	-
Increase of reserves by law	_	-	77,398	-	-	-	-	(77,398)	-	-
Sale of financial instruments	-	-	-	-	(38,420)	-	-	38,420	-	-
Non-controlling interest	3_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3

Other reserves <sup>(1)</sup> Net income		-	2,614	-	-	-	-	(2,614) 2,615,000	- 2,615,000	- 13
Other comprehensive - income		-	-	442,745	77,304	(11,547)	28	-	508,530	-
Balance as of December 31, 4 2017	180,914	4,857,454	9,045,155	2,250,389	379,513	(3,025)	(80.618)	6,183,182	23,112,964	1,3

<sup>(1)</sup> This item corresponds to the dynamic reserves of Banistmo S.A.

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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

## BANCOLOMBIA S.A. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

For the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015

(Stated in millions of Colombian pesos, except per share amounts)

## **Attributable to owners of Parent Company**

## Accumulated other comprehensive income

Balance as of	Share Capital (Note 21)	Additional Paid in capital	Appropriated Reserves (Note 22)	Translation	Investments At fair value Through OCI	Hedge	Associates	Employee Benefits		Att To Of Co
January 1, 2016	480,914	4,857,454	5,877,379	2,153,056	108,012	12,112	10,240	(70,306)	5,850,588	19,
Dividend payment corresponding to 509,704,584 common shares										
and 452,122,416 preferred										
shares without voting rights, subscribed and paid as of December 31, 2015, at a rate	!	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(796,517)	(79
of COP 888 pershare.	r									
Legal reserve movements	-	-	1,554,425	-	-	-	-	-	(1,554,425)	)-
Release of reserves by law	,-	-	(377,471)	-	-	-	-	-	377,471	-
Increase of reserves by law	,-	-	421,730	-	-	-	-	-	(421,730)	-
Gains on investments written off	-	-	-	-	(42,414)	-	-	-	42,414	-
Non-controlling	g_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

December 31, 2016	480,914	4,857,454	7,472,409	1,807,644	340,629	-	8,522	(80,646)	6,380,657	21,
income Balance as of					·	, , ,		, , ,	·	•
Other comprehensive	_	-	_	(345,412)	275,031	(12,112)	(1,718)	(10,340)	13,874	(80
Net income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,865,328	2,8
Other reserves (1)	-	-	(3,654)	-	-	-	-	-	3,654	-

<sup>(1)</sup> This item corresponds to the dynamic reserves of Banistmo S.A.

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## **Attributable to owners of Parent Company**

## Accumulated other comprehensive income

	Share Capital (Note 21)	Additional Paid in capital	Appropriated Reserves (Note 22)	Translation	Investments At fair value Through OCI	Hedge			Attrib To or Retained Of Pa earnings Com
Balance as of January 1, 2015 Dividend	480,914	4,857,454	5,130,861	745,381	(29,311)	5,734	34,021	(20,184)	5,667,03716,87
payment corresponding to 509,704,584 common shares and 452,122,416									
preferred shares without voting rights, subscribed and paid as of December 31, 2014, at a rate of COP 830 per share.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(798,316) (798,
Legal reserve movements	-	-	308,442	-	-	-	-	-	(308,442) -
Release of reserves by law	-	-	(288,386)	-	-	-	-	-	288,386 -
Increase of reserves by law		-	377,470	-	-	-	-	-	(377,470) -
Non-controlling interest $^{(1)}$	3-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Other movements (2)	-	-	348,992	-	-	-	-	-	(348,992) -
Recognition of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(368,776) (368,

GAH's gross put

2015									
December 31,	480,914	4,857,454	5,877,379	2,153,056	108,012	12,112	10,240	(70,306)	5,850,58819,27
Balance as of									
income									
comprehensive	-	-	-	1,407,675	137,323	6,378	(23,781)	(50,122)	- 1,477
Other									
Net income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,097,1612,097
obligation <sup>(3)</sup>									

<sup>(1)</sup> The increase in the category of non-controlling interest is due to the inclusion of GAH in the consolidated financial statements, see Note 8. Goodwill and Intangible Assets, net.

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<sup>(2)</sup> This item includes appropriation of profits at the end of the first semester of the Bank's subsidiaries that have prepared semi-annual financial statements.

Due to contractual terms, the non-controlling interest of GAH is entitled to sell its interest to the Bank. See Note 8. Goodwill and Intagible Assets, net.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW

## BANCOLOMBIA S.A. AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

For the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015

(Stated in millions of Colombian pesos)

Net income	2017 2,754,173	2016 2,954,947	2015 2,608,898
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by	_,,,,,,,,,	_,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	_,000,000
operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	433,033	482,902	481,558
Equity method	(253,602)	(60,254)	(122,477)
Deferred tax expense	193,568	457,611	296,535
Credit impairment charges on loans and advances and financial leases	3,879,559	3,248,517	2,190,333
Credit impairment charges (recovery) on off balance sheet credit instruments	(6,854)	92,453	26,254
Gain on sales on assets held for sale and inventories	(40,600)	(60,294)	(8,453)
Gains on sale of mortgage loans and other assets	-	-	(2,247)
Valuation gain on investment securities	(736,075)	(721,984)	(478,387)
(Gain) loss on sale of investment in subsidiary	2,700	(260,279)	18,643
Valuation (gain) losses on derivative contracts	39,750	(159,422)	(558,972)
Wealth tax (expenses)	51,220	146,931	162,302
Income tax (expenses)	1,045,030	821,796	351,648
Other non-cash ítems	202,829	(1,170)	(45,408)
Net interest	(9,919,699)	(9,389,915)	(7,140,043)
Change in operating assets and liabilities:			
Decrease in derivative financial instruments	135,595	263,966	64,456
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	338,211	263,871	(680,752)
Increase in loans and advances to customers and financial institutions	(11,266,789)	(10,853,224)	(15,036,979)
Increase in other assets	(23,083)	(47,200)	(465,403)
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable	(629,990)	445,570	(359,628)
Increase in other liabilities	189,655	263,729	535,817
Increase in deposits by customers	8,456,681	5,117,996	9,797,802
Decrease in estimated liabilities and provisions	(16,608)	(56,741)	(7,842)
Net changes in investment securities recognized at fair value through profit or loss	(1,599,641)	1,485,514	1,729,280
Proceeds from sales of assets held for sale	331,645	272,830	185,777
Wealth tax paid	(51,220)	(146,931)	(162,302)
Income tax paid	(199,127)	(192,045)	(159,795)
Dividend received	80,651	90,569	192,911
Interest received	15,347,265	14,370,840	12,214,438
Interest paid	(5,798,689)	(5,229,165)	(3,771,238)
Net cash provided by operating activities	2,939,588	3,601,418	1,856,726

### Cash flows from investment activities:

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Purchases of debt securities at amortized cost	(3,122,872)	(2,077,078)	(1,768,079)
Proceeds from maturities of debt securities at amortized cost	2,167,450	2,365,976	1,713,200
Purchase of Grupo Agromercantil Holding, net of cash acquired	-	-	783,803
Purchases of equity instruments and interests in associates and joint ventures	(305,650)	(487,782)	(9,602)
Proceeds from equity instruments and interests in associates and joint ventures	7,479	53,488	229,488
Restitution of associates' capital contributions	2,495	-	-
Purchases of premises and equipment and investment properties	(1,132,015)	(1,082,522)	(961,827)
Proceeds from sales of premises and equipment and investment properties	s 568,744	552,471	289,721
Net cash outflow from sales of investments in subsidiaries	_	(219,218)	1)(248)
Net cash outflow from liquidation of investments in subsidiaries	(1,534)	2)(93)	-
Purchase of other long-term assets	(92,177)	(132,869)	(134,471)
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(1,908,080)	(1,027,627)	141,985
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Increase (decrease) in repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing	1,313,442	706,341	(898,652)
Proceeds from borrowings from other financial institutions	12,190,496	13,594,292	13,533,749
Repayment of borrowings from other financial institutions	(17,042,665)	(13,744,676)	(13,132,534)
Placement of debt securities in issue (3)	3,013,426	3,039,485	2,452,213
Payment of debt securities in issue	(1,969,399)	(3,099,039)	(1,372,837)
Redemption of preferred shares by Banistmo	-	-	(28,081)
Dividends paid	(1,126,209)	(840,242)	(785,332)
Net cash used in financing activities (4)	(3,620,909)	(343,839)	(231,474)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	294,800	(575,284)	3,571,557
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(2,589,401)	2,229,952	1,767,237
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	20,460,245	18,805,577	13,466,783
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	18,165,644	20,460,245	18,805,577

Corresponds to the net amount of cash received from the sale of Compañía de Financiamiento TUYA S.A.

Corresponds to the net amount of cash received from the liquidation of Leasing Perú S.A. and Fondo de Inversión en Arrendamiento Operativo - Renting Perú amounting to COP 16,838 and COP 3,757, respectively, and the balance of cash and cash equivalents held by the companies at the transaction date amounting to COP 17,903 and COP 4,226, respectively.

During the years ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, the Group entered into non-cash operating and investing activities related with restructured loans and returned goods that were transferred to foreclosed assets and inventories amounting to COP 331,057, COP 487,122 and COP 185,042, respectively which are not reflected in the consolidated statement of cash flows.

<sup>(1)</sup> amounting to COP 9,517 and the balance of cash and cash equivalents held by the company at the transaction date amounting to COP 228,735.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(3)</sup> The issuance costs paid by Bancolombia S.A. amounted to USD 15,535. For further information see Note 17. Debt securities in issue.

For further information about the conciliation of the balances of liabilities from financing activities, see Note 28. Liabilities from financing activities.

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.

### NOTE 1. REPORTING ENTITY

Bancolombia S.A., hereinafter the Parent Company, is a credit establishment, listed in the Colombia Stock Exchange (BVC) and, as well as in New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), since 1981 and 1995, respectively. The Parent Company's main location is in Medellin (Colombia), main address Carrera 48 # 26-85, Avenida Los Industriales, was originally constituted under the name Colombian Industrial Bank (BIC) according to public deed number 388, date January 24, 1945, from the First Notary's Office of Medellin, authorized by the Superintendence of Finance of Colombia ("SFC"). On April 3, 1998, by means of public deed No. 633, BIC merged with Bank of Colombia S.A., and the resulting organization of that merger was named Bancolombia S.A.

Bancolombia S.A.'s business purpose is to carry out all operations, transactions, acts and services inherent to the Banking business through banking establishments that carry its name and according to all applicable legislation. The Parent Company may own interests in other corporations, wherever authorized by law, according to all terms and requirements, limits or conditions established therein.

The Parent Company and its subsidiaries (on consolidated basis referred to as the "Bank") include the following operating segments: Banking Colombia, Banking Panama, Banking El Salvador, Banking Guatemala, Trust, Investment banking, Brokerage, Off Shore and Others. The activities carried out by each operating segment of the Bank are described in Note 3, Operating segments.

The duration of the Parent Company contemplated in the bylaws is until December 8, 2044, but it can be dissolved or renewed before the conclusion of that period. The operating license was authorized definitively by the SFC according to Resolution number 3140 on September 24, 1993.

Through public deed number 1,124 of September 30, 2016, from the fourthteenth Notary's Office of Medellin, duly registered in the Camara de Comercio de Medellín, a merger was completed between the Parent Company (absorbing entity) and Leasing Bancolombia S.A. (absorbed entity). As a result of the merger, the Parent Company became the holder of all the rights and obligations of Leasing Bancolombia S.A. and continues to offer its clients the portfolio of leasing products and services under the brand "Leasing Bancolombia, una marca Bancolombia".

The Bank has 31,061 employees, and operates through 1,153 offices, 10,349 banking Correspondents and 590 Mobile service spots in Colombian territory.

The Bank also has an agency in Panama City, Panama, and representative offices in Peru and Guatemala.

### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Α.

## **Basis for preparation**

The consolidated financial statements of the Bank are prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (hereinafter, IFRS) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (hereinafter, IASB), as well as the interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (hereinafter, IFRIC).

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of accounting estimates which, by definition, will seldom equal the actual results. Therefore, the estimates and assumptions are constantly reviewed, recognizing the revision in the same period if it affects the reviewed period; or in the reviewed period and future periods if it affects all the current and future periods.

Assets and liabilities are measured at cost or amortized cost, except for some financial assets and liabilities and investment properties that are measured at fair value. Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value comprise those classified as assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, equity investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income ("OCI") and derivative instruments. Likewise the carrying value of assets and liabilities recognized that are designated as hedged items in a fair value hedge, is adjusted for changes in fair value attributable to the hedged risk.

The consolidated financial statements are stated in Colombian pesos and its figures are stated in millions, except earnings per share, diluted earning per share and the market exchange rate, which are stated in Colombian pesos, while other currencies (dollars, euro, pounds, etc.) are stated in thousands.

The Parent Company's financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with "Normas de Contabilidad e Información Financiera" (NCIF) applicable to separated financial statements, are those that serve as the basis for the distribution of dividends and other appropriations by the stockholders.

### A. Presentation of financial statements

The Bank presents the consolidated statement of financial position ordered by liquidity and the consolidated statement of income is prepared based on the nature of expenses. Revenues and expenses are not offset, unless such

compensation is permitted or required by any accounting standard or interpretation, and are described in the Bank's policies.

The statement of comprehensive income presents net income and items of other comprehensive income classified by nature and grouped into those that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss and those that will be reclassified when specific conditions are met. The Bank discloses the amount of income tax relating to each item of OCI.

The consolidated statement of cash flows was prepared using the indirect method, whereby net income is adjusted for the effects of transactions of a non-cash nature, changes during the period in operating assets and liabilities, and items of income or expense associated with investing or financing cash flows.

### **B.** Consolidation

### 1. Subsidiaries

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of Bancolombia S.A. and its subsidiaries as of and for the periods ended on December 31, 2017 and 2016. The Parent Company consolidates the financial results of the entities on which it exerts control.

In accordance with IFRS 10, a subsidiary is an organization controlled by any of the companies that comprise The Bank, as long as it has:

Power over the investee that give it the ability to direct their relevant activities that significantly affect its performance.

Exposure or rights to variable returns for its involvement with the investee.

Ability to use its power over the investee to affect the investor return amounts.

The Parent Company has the following subsidiaries making up the Bank's organizational structure, which is currently registered as a corporate group:

ENTITY	JURISDICTION OF INCORPORATION	BUSINESS	OWNERSHIP INTEREST AND	OWNERSHIP INTEREST AND	PROPORTION OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST AND VOTING POWER HELD BY THE BANK 2015
Leasing Bancolombia S.A compañía de financiamiento	Colombia	Leasing	-	-	100.00%

Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria	Colombia	Trust	98.81%	98.81%	98.81%
Banca de Inversión Bancolombia S.A. Corporación Financiera	Colombia	Investment banking	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Valores Bancolombia S.A. Comisionista de Bolsa	Colombia e	Securities brokerage	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A. <sup>(2)</sup>	Colombia	Financial services	-	-	99.99%
Renting Colombia S.A.S (Before Renting Colombia S.A.)	3	Operating leasing	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Transportempo S.A.S.	Colombia	Transportation	n 100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Valores Simesa S.A.	Colombia	Investments	68.57%	68.57%	68.57%
Inversiones CFNS S.A.S.	Colombia	Investments	99.94%	99.94%	99.94%
BIBA Inmobiliaria S.A.S.	Colombia	Real estate broker	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Vivayco S.A.S.	Colombia	Portfolio Purchase	-	-	74.95%
FCP Fondo Colombia Inmobiliario.	Colombia	Real estate broker	63.47%	62.55%	50.21%
Patrimonio Autonomo Cartera LBC. (4	Colombia	Loan management	-	-	100.00%
Prosicol S.A.S. (5)	Colombia	Pre-operating stage	-	68.57%	68.57%
Fideicomiso "Lote Abelardo Castro".	Colombia	Mercantil trus	t68.23%	68.23%	68.23%

ENTITY	JURISDICTION OF INCORPORATION	BUSINESS	OWNERSHIP INTEREST AND	PROPORTION OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST AND VOTING POWER HELD BY THE BANK 2016	PROPORTION OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST AND VOTING POWER HELD BY THE BANK 2015
Bancolombia Panamá S.A.	Panama	Banking	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Valores Bancolombia Panamá S.A. <sup>(6)</sup> Sistemas de	Panama	Securities brokerage	-	-	100.00%
Inversiones y Negocios S.A. Sinesa	Panama	Investments	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Banagrícola S.A. Banistmo S.A. Banistmo	Panama Panama	Holding Banking	99.16% 100.00%	99.16% 100.00%	99.16% 100.00%
Investment Corporation S.A.	Panama	Trust	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Financomer S.A.		Financial services	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Leasing Banistmo S.A.	Panama	Leasing	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Valores Banistmo S.A.	Panama	Purchase and sale of securities	100.00%	100.00%	-
Suvalor Panamá Fondos de Inversión S.A. <sup>(6)</sup>	Panama	Holding	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Suvalor Renta Fija Internaciona Largo Plazo S.A. <sup>(6)</sup>	l Panama	Collective investment fund	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Suvalor Renta Fija Internaciona Corto Plazo S.A. <sup>(6)</sup>	<sup>l</sup> Panama	Collective investment fund	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Financiera Flash S.A. <sup>(7)</sup>	Panama	Financial services	-	-	100.00%
Grupo Financomer S.A.	Panama	Financial services	-	-	100.00%
Securities Banistmo S.A. (8)	Panama	Purchase and sale of securities	l -	-	100.00%
	Panama	Securities	-	100.00%	100.00%

Banistmo Asset Management Inc (9) Banistmo Capita Markets Group		Purchase and sale of securities Purchase and sale of		100.00%	100.00%
Inc. (10)		securities			
Van Dyke Overseas Corp.	Panama	Real estate broker	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Inmobiliaria Bickford S.A. (10	Panama	Real estate broker	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Williamsburg International Corp. (10)	Panama	Real estate broker	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Anavi Investment Corporation S.A.		Real estate broker	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Desarrollo de Oriente S.A. (10)	Panama	Real estate broker	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Steens Enterpresies S.A	. Panama	Portfolio holder	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Ordway Holding S.A. <sup>(10)</sup>	<sup>S</sup> Panama	Real estate broker	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Grupo Agromercantil Holding S.A.	Panama	Holding	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
Banco Agrícola S.A.	El Salvador	Banking	97.36%	97.36%	97.36%
Arfinsa	El Salvador	Leasing	97.37%	97.36%	97.36%
Credibac S.A. de El Salvac C.V.	El Salvador	Credit card services	97.36%	97.36%	97.36%
Valores Banagrícola S.A. de C.V.	. El Salvador	Securities brokerage	98.89%	98.89%	98.89%
Inversiones Financieras Banco Agrícola S.A. IFBA	El Salvador	Investments	98.89%	98.89%	98.89%

ENTITY	JURISDICTION OF INCORPORATION	BUSINESS	OWNERSHIP INTEREST AND	PROPORTION OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST AND VOTING POWER HELD BY THE BANK 2016	PROPORTION OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST AND VOTING POWER HELD BY THE BANK 2015
Gestora de Fondos de Inversión Banagricola S.A.	El Salvador	Administers investment funds	98.89%	98.89%	-
Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C. <sup>(11)</sup> Fondo de	Peru	Operating leasing	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Inversión en Arrendamiento Operativo - Renting Perú (12		Operating leasing	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Capital Investments SAFI S.A. <sup>(11)</sup> FiduPerú S.A.	Peru	Trust	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Sociedad Fiduciaria <sup>(11)</sup>	Peru	Trust	98.81%	98.81%	98.81%
Leasing Perú S.A. (12)	Peru	Leasing	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Banagrícola Guatemala S.A. Banco	Guatemala	Outsourcing	99.16%	99.16%	99.16%
Agromercantil de Guatemala S.A. Seguros	Guatemala	Banking	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
Agromercantil de Guatemala S.A.	Guatemala	Insurance company	59.17%	59.17%	59.17%
Financiera Agromercantil S.A.	Guatemala	Financial services	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
Agrovalores S.A. Tarjeta	Guatemala	Securities brokerage	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
Agromercantil S.A. (13)	Guatemala	Credit Card	-	60.00%	60.00%
Arrendadora Agromercantil	Guatemala	Operating Leasing	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%

S.A. Agencia de Seguros y Fianzas Agromercantil S.A.	Guatemala	Insurance company	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
Asistencia y Ajustes S.A.	Guatemala	Services	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
Serproba S.A.	Guatemala	Maintenance and remodelling services	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
Servicios de Formalización S.A.	Guatemala	Loans formalization	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
Conserjeria, Mantenimiento y Mensajería S.A.	Guatemala	Maintenance services	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
Media Plus S.A.	. Guatemala	Advertising and marketing	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
Mercom Bank Ltd.	Barbados	Banking	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
New Alma Enterprises Ltd.	Bahamas	Investments	60.00%	60.00%	60.00%
Bancolombia Puerto Rico Internacional Inc.	Puerto Rico	Banking	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Bancolombia Caymán S.A.	Cayman Islands	Banking	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Bagrícola Costa Rica S.A.	Costa Rica	Outsourcing	99.16%	99.16%	99.16%

<sup>(1)</sup> Investment absorbed by Bancolombia S.A. Corp during 2016.

During 2016, the Bank sold 50% of the shares of the Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A.to Grupo Exito,

<sup>(2)</sup> therefore it became a joint business of Grupo Bancolombia. See Note 7: 'Investments in associates and Joint Ventures'.

<sup>(3)</sup> Investment liquidated by Inversiones CFNS S.A.S. during 2016.

<sup>(4)</sup> Investment liquidated as result of fusion of Bancolombia S.A. and Leasing Bancolombia during 2016.

<sup>(5)</sup> Investment sold by Valores Simesa S.A. during 2017.

<sup>(6)</sup> Investment initially acquired by Banistmo S.A. and subsequently merged with Valores Banistmo S.A during 2016.

<sup>(7)</sup> Investment absorbed by Financomer S.A. during 2016.

<sup>(8)</sup> Investment absorbed by Valores Banistmo S.A. during 2016.

<sup>(9)</sup> Investment absorbed by Banistmo Capital Markets Group, Inc. during 2017.

<sup>(10)</sup> Investments in non-operational stage.

<sup>(11)</sup> Investment classified as assets held for sale. See Note 12. Assets held for sale and Inventories.

<sup>(12)</sup> Investment in legal liquidation process.

<sup>(13)</sup> Investment liquidates by Grupo Agromercantil Holding S.A. during 2017.

When necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies into line with the Bank's accounting policies.

All intragroup assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Bank are eliminated in full on consolidation.

Non-controlling interests in controlled entities are presented in equity separately from the Parent Company stockholders equity. When the Bank loses control over a subsidiary, any residual interest remaining on the Bank's balances is measured at fair value; gains or losses arising from this measurement are recognized in net income

There are restrictions on the ability of the Parent Company to obtain distributions of capital, due to the regulatory requirements of its subsidiaries in Panama. Banistmo and Bancolombia Panama have net assets before intercompany eliminations amounting to COP 6,872,171 and COP 6,360,729 at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

The loans and financial leases granted by those subsidiaries are subject to prudential regulation in Panama issued by the Panamanian Superintency of Banks to maintain minimum reserves as a countercyclical capital buffer. For the years ended at December 31, 2017 and 2016, the reserves recognized amounted to COP 616,814 and COP 523,376. These requirements restrict the ability of the aforementioned subsidiaries to make remittances of dividends to Bancolombia S.A., the ultimate parent, except in the event of liquidation.

#### 2. Transactions between entities under common control:

Combination of entities under common control, ie transactions in which all the combining entities are under the control of the Bank both before and after the combination, and that control is not transitory, are outside the scope of the IFRS 3- Business combinations. Currently, there is no specific guidance for these transactions under IFRS, therefore, as permitted by IAS 8, the Bank has developed an accounting policy considering pronouncement of other standard-setting bodies. The assets and liabilities recognized as a result of transactions between entities under common control are recognized at the carrying value of the acquiree's financial statements. The Bank presents the net assets received prospectively from the date of the transfer.

# 3. Investments in associates and joint ventures.

An associate is an entity over which the Bank has significant influence. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those policies.

A joint venture is an entity that the Bank controls jointly with other participants, where the parties maintain a contractual agreement that establishes joint control over the relevant activities of the entity (which only exists when decisions about those activities require unanimous consent of the parties sharing control) and the parties have rights to the net assets of the joint arrangement.

At the acquisition date, the excess of the acquisition cost of the associate or joint venture shares exceeding the Bank's share of the net fair value of identifiable assets and liabilities of the investee is recognized as goodwill. Goodwill is included in the carrying amount of the investment and it is not amortized. The requirements of IAS 39 are applied to determine whether it is necessary to recognize any impairment loss with respect to the Bank's investment in an associate or a joint venture. When necessary, the entire carrying amount of the investment (including goodwill) is tested for impairment in accordance with IAS 36 Impairment of Assets as a single asset. Impairment losses are recognized in net income and are calculated as the difference between the recoverable amount of the associate or joint venture, using the higher value between its value in use and its fair value less costs of disposal, and their carrying value.

The results and assets and liabilities of associates or joint ventures are incorporated in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting, except when the investment, or a portion thereof, is classified as held for sale, in which case it is accounted for in accordance with IFRS 5. When an investment in an associate or joint venture is held by, or is held indirectly through, an entity that is a venture capital organization, or a mutual fund, unit trust or similar entities, and such investment is measured at fair value through profit or loss in that entity, the Bank may elect to measure investments in those associates and joint ventures at fair value through profit or loss in the consolidated financial statements. This election is applied on an investment by investment basis.

Under the equity method, the investment is initially recorded at cost and adjusted thereafter to recongnize the Bank's share of the profits or loss and other comprehensive income of the associate or join venture. When the Bank's share of losses of an associate or joint venture exceeds the Bank's interest in that associate or joint venture (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Bank's net investment in the associate or joint venture), the Bank discontinues recognizing its share of further losses. Additional losses are recognized only to the extent that the Bank has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate or joint venture.

When the equity method is applicable, adjustments are considered in order to adopt uniform accounting policies of the associate or joint venture with the Bank. The portion that corresponds to the Bank for changes in the investee's other comprehensive income items is recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income and gains or losses of the associate or joint venture are recognized in the consolidated statement of income as "Dividends received and share of profits of equity method investees", in accordance with the Bank's participation. Gains and losses resulting from transactions between the Bank and its associate or joint venture are recognized in the Bank's consolidated financial statements only to the extent of unrelated investor's interest in the associate or joint venture. The equity method is applied from the acquisition date until the significant influence or joint control over the entity is lost.

The unrealized gain or loss of an associate or joint venture is presented in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, net of tax. Changes in the investment's participation recognized directly in equity and other comprehensive income of the associate or joint venture are considered in the consolidated statement of equity and consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

The dividends received in cash from the associate or joint venture reduce the investment carrying value.

When the significant influence on the associate or the joint venture is lost, the Bank measures and recognizes any residual investment that remained at its fair value. The difference between the associate or joint venture carrying value (taking into account the relevant items of other comprehensive income), the fair value of the retained residual investment and any proceeds from disposing of a part interest in the associate or joint venture, is recognized in net income. The currency translation adjustments recognized in equity are reclassified to net income at the moment of disposal.

# Joint operations

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A joint operation is a joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the assets, and obligations for the liabilities, relating to the arrangement.

The Bank recognizes and measures assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses in relation to its interest in the arrangements in accordance with the IFRSs applicable for the particular assets, liabilities revenues and expenses.

If the Bank acquires an interest in a joint operation in which the activity constitutes a business, as defined in IFRS 3 Business Combinations or when an existing business is contributed to the joint operation on its formation by one of the parties that participate in the joint operation, The Bank will apply all of the principles on business combinations accounting in IFRS 3. In this case the Bank recognizes goodwill in the event that consideration transferred exceeds the net of the acquisition date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. At least once per year goodwill is tested for impairment.

When the Bank transacts with a joint operation in which the Parent Company or its subsidiaries is a joint operator (such as a sale or contribution of assets), the Bank is considered to be conducting the transaction with the other parties to the joint operation, and gains and losses resulting from the transactions are recognized in the Bank's consolidated financial statements only to the extent of other parties' interests in the joint operation.

When the Bank transacts with a joint operation in which the Parent Company or its subsidiaries is a joint operator (such as a purchase of assets), the Bank does not recognize its share of the gains and losses until it resells those assets to a third party.

## Funds administration

The Bank manages assets held in mutual funds and other forms of investment. Assets managed by the Bank's subsidiaries and owned by third parties are not included in the consolidated financial statements unless control exists as structured entities.

The Bank consolidates the following funds:

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		% of ownership	% of ownership	% of ownership	Assets ma	naged
Name	Country	•	interest held by	•		
		tne Bank, 2017	the Bank, 2016	the Bank, 2015	2017	2016
FCP Fondo Colombia Inmobiliario	Colombia	163.47%	62.55%	50.21%	2,698,224	2,009,382
Fideicomiso "lote Abel Castro"	ardo Colombia	168.23%	68.23%	99.50%	10,343	10,172
Suvalor Panamá Fondo Inversión	Panamá	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	224	225
Fondo de Inversión en Arrendamiento Operati Renting Perú	vo Perú	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	-	31

For all the aforementioned funds, the Bank has participated in the design of the structured entity, establishes operating and financial decisions of the funds and it is exposed to variable returns such as dividends or returns paid in quarterly installments.

The commissions earned by the management of funds that are not consolidated are included in the statement of income as "Fees and commission income".

Non-controlling interest

Non-controlling interests in the net assets of consolidated subsidiaries are presented separately within the Bank's equity. Similarly net income and other comprehensive income are also attributed to non-controlling interest and equity holders of the Parent Company. The amount of non-controlling interest may be initially measured either at fair value or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. The option for recognition is made on a investment by investment basis.

Any purchase or sale of shares in subsidiaries that does not imply a loss or gain of control is directly recognized in equity.

### 6.1. Significant non-controlling interest

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#### FCP Colombia Inmobiliario

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the portion of the non-controlling interest in the FCP Colombia Immobiliario was 36.53% and 37.45% respectively, reason for which is considered as a significant non-controlling interest for the Bank and its subsidiaries. The principal place of business of FCP Colombia Immobiliario is Bogotá (Colombia).

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, there were no dividends declared by this subsidiary. In contrast, there were returns paid in quarterly installments due to the nature of its business, which mainly comprises long-term investment in real state, considered as low-risk portfolio.

The following table summarizes the assets, liabilities, net assets, net income and cash flows as of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, related to the FCP Colombia Inmobiliario:

December 31, December 31,

**2017 2016 2015 In millions of COP** 

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2,698,224 2,009,382 1,550,219 1,048,867 655,315 661,973

Assets Liabilities

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Net assets	1,649,357	1,354,067	888,247
Condensed statement of income			
Income			
Valuation of investment properties	81,816	52,543	94,810
Valuation of trust rights	53,143	12,903	9,302
Rents	135,135	120,811	104,379
Profits of equity method investees	144,146	-	-
Other income	4,493	2,616	19,318
<b>Total Income</b>	418,733	188,873	227,809
Expenses			
Interest on loans	68,900	67,558	52,451
Trust fees	322	9,004	8,819
Other expenses	86,270	49,078	36,936
<b>Total Expenses</b>	155,492	125,640	98,206
Net Income	263,241	63,233	129,603
Condensed cash flow			
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(394)	(372)	(82)
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	-	-	-
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	409	375	82
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	3	-	_
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	18	3	-

The information above is the amount before inter-company eliminations.

As of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, the profit allocated to non-controlling interest amounted to COP 96,179, COP 23,701 and COP 69,074, respectively.

As of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, the accumulated non-controlling interest of the FCP Colombia Inmobiliario amounted to COP 602,548, COP 507,115 and COP 442,314, respectively.

### Grupo Agromercantil Holding S.A.

On December 30, 2015 the Bank Acquired 60.00% of Grupo Agromercantil Holding S.A. (GAH). As of December 30, 2016, the portion of ownership in GAH by the non controlling interest was 40.00%, reason for which is considered as a significant non-controlling interest for the Bank and its subsidiaries. Guatemala is the principal place of business of GAH and its subsidiaries.

The following table summarizes the assets, liabilities, net assets, net income and cash flows as of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 of Grupo Agromercantil Holding.

	December 31, December 31,		
	2017	2016	2015
In millions of COP			
Assets	12,191,869	11,795,358	12,137,258
Liabilities	10,847,895	10,477,427	10,792,953
Equity	1,343,974	1,317,931	1,344,305
Condensed statement of income			
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments after			
impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit	389,463	393,972	-
instruments			
Total fees and commission, net	101,565	58,745	-
Other operating income	54,246	55,942	-
Dividends received and equity method	608	779	-
Total operating income, net	545,882	509,438	-
Operating expenses	(445,038)	(435,430)	-
Income tax	(21,546)	(11,197)	-
Net income	79,298	62,811	-

# Condensed cash flow

Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	192,850	(136,878)	_
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(1,427)	(4,157)	-
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(87,103)	(77,684)	-
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	1,098,861	1,359,176	-
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	1,203,181	1,140,457	-
Other comprehensive income			
Investments at fair value through OCI	2,241	3,682	-
Translation adjustment	15,758	(64,195)	(537,196)
Others	(3,042)	6,959	-
Total other comprehensive income	14,957	(53,554)	(537,196)

For the year 2017, 2016 and 2015, the dividends received from Grupo Agromercantil amounted to COP 39,482, COP 46,416 and COP 33,403, respectively.

## C. Use of estimates and judgments

The preparation of consolidated financial statements requires the Bank's management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the recognized amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

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

Judgments or changes in assumptions are disclosed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements. Management bases its estimates and judgments on historical experience and on various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under current circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates if assumptions and conditions change.

The significant accounting policies that the Bank uses in preparing its consolidated financial statements are detailed below:

### 1. Impairment testing of CGU including goodwill:

The Bank tests goodwill recognized upon business combinations for impairment at least annually. The impairment test for goodwill involves estimates and significant judgments, including the identification of cash generating units and the allocation of goodwill based on the expectations of which the Bank will benefit from the acquisition. The fair value of the acquired companies is sensitive to changes in the valuation models assumptions. Adverse changes in any of the factors underlying these assumptions could lead the Bank to record a goodwill impairment charge. Management believes that the assumptions and estimates used are reasonable and supportable in the existing market environment and commensurate with the risk profile of the assets valued. See Note 8, for further information related to carrying amount, valuation methodologies, key assumptions and the allocation of goodwill.

2. Deferred tax:

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded on deductible or levied temporary differences originating between tax and accounting bases, taking into account the valid tax rules applicable in each country where The Bank has operations. Due to the changing conditions of the political, social and economic environment, the constant amendments to tax legislation and the permanent changes in the tax principles, determining the tax bases for the deferred tax involves difficult judgments to estimate future gains, offsets or tax deductions.

The determination of the deferred tax is considered a crucial accounting policy, since its determination involves future estimations of gains that may be affected by changes in economic, social and political conditions, and tax authorities.

For more information relating to the nature of deferred tax assets and liabilities recognized by The Bank, please see Note 11.

## 3. Provisions and contingent liabilities:

The Bank is subject to contingent liabilities, including those arising from judicial, regulatory and arbitration proceedings and tax and other claims arising from the conduct of the Bank's business activities. These contingencies are evaluated based on management's best estimates and provisions are established for legal and other claims by assessing the likelihood of the loss actually occurring as probable, possible or remote. Provisions are recorded when all the information available indicates that it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation before the statement of financial position date and the amounts may be reasonably estimated. The Bank engages internal and external experts in assessing probability and in estimating any amounts involved.

Throughout the life of a contingency, the Bank may learn of additional information that can affect assessments regarding probability or the estimates of amounts involved; changes in these assessments can lead to changes in recorded provisions.

The Bank considers the estimates used to determine the provisions for contingent liabilities are critical estimates because the probability of their occurrence and the amounts that the Bank may be required to pay are based on the Bank's judgment and its internal and external experts, which will not necessarily coincide with the future outcome of the proceedings. For further information regarding legal proceedings and contingencies and its carrying amounts. See Note 20.

# Impairment for credit risk:

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Determining the allowance for loan losses requires a significant amount of management judgment and estimates in, among others, identifying impaired loans, determining customers' ability to pay and estimating the fair value of underlying collateral or the expected future cash flows to be received. The Bank assesses if an asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and if impairment losses are incurred if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (a 'loss event') and that loss event (or events) has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or group of financial

assets that can be reliably estimated.

The estimates are considered as critical accounting judgments because: (i) they are highly susceptible to change from period to period as the assumptions about future default rates and valuation of potential losses relating to impaired loans and advances are based on recent performance experience, and (ii) any significant difference between the Bank's estimated losses (as reflected in the provisions) and actual losses would require the Bank to record provisions which, if significantly different, could have a material impact on its future financial condition and results of operations. The Bank's assumptions about estimated losses are based on past performance, past customer behavior, the credit quality of recent underwritten business and general economic conditions, which are not necessarily an indication of future losses. (see section Risk Management).

#### 5. Fair value of financial assets and liabilities:

Financial assets and liabilities recorded at fair value on the Bank's statement of financial position include debt and equity securities and derivatives classified at fair value through profit or loss and equity securities which the Bank has made an irrevocable election to present in other comprehensive income changes in its fair value.

To increase consistency and comparability in fair value measurements and related disclosures, IFRS 13 *Fair value measurement* specifies different levels of inputs that may be used to measure the fair value of financial instruments. In accordance with this standard, financial instruments are classified as follows:

**Level 1:** Assets and liabilities are classified as Level 1 if there are observable inputs that reflect quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets. An active market is one in which transactions occur with sufficient volume and frequency to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

Instruments are valued by reference to unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets where the quoted price is readily available, and the price represents actual and regularly occurring market transactions.

**Level 2:** Assets and liabilities are classified as Level 2 if In the absence of a market price for a specific financial instrument, its fair value is estimated using models whose input data are observable for recent transactions of identical or similar instruments.

**Level 3:** Assets and liabilities are classified as level 3 if unobservable input data were used in the measurement of fair value that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of these assets or liabilities.

All transfers between the aforementioned levels are assumed to occur at the end of the reporting period

The measurement of the fair value of financial instruments generally involves a higher degree of complexity and requires the application of judgments especially when the models use unobservable inputs (level 3) based on the assumptions that would be used in the market to determinate the price for assets or liabilities.

For further details, as carrying amount and sensitivity disclosures, please see Note 29 'Fair value of assets and liabilities'.

For the periods ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 there have been no significant changes in estimates and judgements made at end-year other than those indicated in financial statements.

### **6.** Measurement of Employee benefits:

The measurement of post-employment benefit obligations and long-term employee benefits carries a wide variety of premises and it is dependent upon a series of assumptions of future events. The projected unit credit method is used to determine the present value of the obligation for the defined benefits and its associated cost. Future measurements of obligations may differ to those presented in the financial statements, among others, due to changes in economic and demographic assumptions and significant events. For further information, see Note 18.

#### 7. Consolidation of structured entities:

Structured entity (SE) is an entity that has been designed so that voting or similar rights are not the dominant factor in deciding who controls the entity, such as when any voting rights relate to administrative tasks only and the relevant activities are directed by means of contractual arrangements.

To determine whether the Bank controls and consequently consolidates an entity that has been designed as a SE, the Bank assesses the design and the purpose of the entity. It is also considered whether the Bank, or another involved party with power over the relevant activities, is acting as a principal in its own right or as an agent on behalf of others.

Whenever there is a change in the substance of the relationship with the SE the Bank performs a re-assessment of control to determine if consolidation is applicable.

The total assets of unconsolidated SE in which the Bank had an interest at the reporting date and its maximum exposure to loss in relation to those interests is presented in Note 23 unconsolidated structured entities.

- D. Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements
- 1. Accounting Pronouncements Applicable in 2017

During 2017, the following standards have been adopted by the Bank without having a significant impact:

**Amendment to IAS 7: Cash flows' statement - Breakdown Initiative:** The amendment requires entities to present a breakdown of changes in liabilities arising from financing activities in order to improve the information provided to users of financial information. The effective date for this amendment is January 1, 2017 with prospective application, although early adoption is allowed.

Management evaluated the impact of the amendment and made the necessary adjustments in its processes to make the adequate presentation of the information in the Financial Statements of Cash Flow and its accompanying notes according to the requirement of the financial liabilities breakdown in financing activities. See note 28 liabilities from financial activities'.

Amendment to IAS 12 Tax income: The amendment to paragraph 29 and the addition of paragraphs 27 A and 29 A of the IAS 12, refer to the requirements and procedure for the recognition of deferred tax assets; indicating that when the taxable amount of temporary differences associated with the same tax authority is insufficient, deferred tax assets shall only be recognized provided the following assumptions are fulfilled:

Each of the entities that form The Bank assess that there is sufficient tax gain, related to the same tax authority and in the same period in which deductible temporary differences are reverted (or in the periods in which tax loss, coming from a deferred tax asset, may be offset with previous or later gain), to assess if there will be sufficient tax gain (income) in future periods.

b) When each of the entities that form The Bank has the possibility to use opportunities of tax planning to create tax gain (income) in future periods.

Said amendments and their impact were independently assessed in the separate financial statements according to the tax and financial projections and their effect was reflected in each of the separate financial statements. The effective date for this amendment is January 1, 2017 with prospective application, although early adoption is allowed

#### **Annual improvements to IFRS Cycle 2014-2016:**

IFRS 12 Disclosure of interests in other entities: It clarifies the scope of the disclosure requirements contained in the standard, specifying that they apply to all holdings in other entities whether classified as held for sale, held for distribution to owners or as discontinued operations in accordance with IFRS 5, other than those contained in paragraphs B10 to B16 of the standard, which contain requirements related to summarized financial information on subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates. This amendment applies for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2017 with retrospective application.

None of these amendments to standards had a material effect on the Banks's financial statements.

## 2. Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements Applicable in Future Periods

**Annual improvements to IFRS Cycle 2014-2016:** 

**IFRS 1 First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards:** Deleted the short-term exemptions for entities that adopt IFRS for the first time, because they have now served their intended purpose. This amendment applies for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018.

No impact is estimated in the Group's financial statements as a result of this amendment.

IAS 28 Investments in associates and joint ventures: When an investment in an associate or joint venture is held by an entity that is a venture capital organization, or another qualifying entity, the entity may choose to measure that investment at fair value through profit or loss, the amendment clarifies that the alternative is available for each investment in an associate or joint venture on an investment by investment basis, at the initial appreciation. This option is applied individually to each investment in an associate or joint venture held directly by the entity, or indirectly through subsidiaries. The choice also applies to the entity reporting that it is not an investment entity and that it has an associate or joint venture that is an investment entity because it allows it to retain the fair value measurements used by that associate or joint venture that is an investment entity when applying the equity method. This choice is also made separately in the initial recognition for each investment in an associated or joint business which is an investment entity. This amendment applies for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018 with retrospective application

Managment is evaluating the impact of the modification in the Bank's statement of financial position and disclosures.

#### **Annual improvements to IFRS Cycle 2015-2017:**

**Amendments to IFRS 3 Business combination:** The amendments to IFRS 3 clarify that when an entity obtains control of a business that is a joint operation, it remeasures previously held interests in that business.

Managment is evaluating the impact of the modification in the Bank's statement of financial position and disclosures.

**Amendments to IFRS 11 Join Arrangements**: The amendments to IFRS 11 clarify that when an entity obtains joint control of a business that is a joint operation, the entity does not remeasure previously held interests in that business.

Managment is evaluating the impact of the modification in the Bank's statement of financial position and disclosures.

Amendments to IAS 12 Income taxes: The amendments to IAS 12 clarify the recognition of the tax effects for dividends as defined in IFRS 9, when a liability is recognized for payment of the dividend. The tax effects of dividends are linked more directly to past transactions or events that generate distributable profits than to distributions to owners. Therefore, an entity shall recognise the income tax consequences of dividends in profit or loss, other comprehensive income or equity according to where the entity originally recognised those past transactions or events.

Management is evaluating the impact of the changes that the amendment of IAS 12 has on the Group, in its statement of financial position and disclosures.

According to IASB, these amendments apply for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019. Earlier application is permitted

**Amendments to IAS 23 Borrowing Costs:** The amendments clarify that if any specific borrowing remains outstanding after the related asset is ready for its intended use or sale, that borrowing becomes part of the funds that an entity borrows generally when calculating the capitalisation rate on general borrowings.

No impact is estimated in the Group's financial statements as a result of this amendment.

**IFRS 9, Financial Instruments:** In July 2014 the IASB issued the final version of IFRS 9 that completed the replacement project of IAS 39 –Financial instruments. Classification and measurement mainly introducing new criteria for classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets and liabilities, impairment requirements related to expected loss accounting and hedge accounting. The effective application of the final version of this IFRS will be from January 1, 2018.

• Classification and measurement: IFRS 9 establishes the categories amortized cost, fair value through profit or loss and fair value with changes in other comprehensive income to classify financial assets, based on the entity's business model to manage such assets and the characteristic of the flows that they grant. The last category has been introduced for individual simple debt instruments and equity instruments for which the entity irrevocably designates its variations in other comprehensive income from the initial recognition.

The classification of financial liabilities and their subsequent measurement has remained unchanged in relation to IAS 39, except for those liabilities designated at fair value through profit and loss for which it is stipulated how to account for the changes in the credit risk in other comprehensive income.

The Bank has early adopted IFRS 9 as issued in November 2013, which includes only Fair value through profit or loss and amortized cost as measurement categories attributable to financial assets, based on the business model and the contractual cash flow characteristics; In addition, the option to make an irrevocable election at initial recognition for particular investments in equity instruments to present subsequent changes in fair value in other comprehensive income.

The following table summarizes the main items of the Bank's balance sheet representing financial assets and their classification under IFRS 9, 2013 and indicates the expected classifications once the Bank is applying IFRS 9, 2014:

	Current Classification before January 1, 2018 with IFRS 9, 2013			Classification after January 1, 2018 with adoption of IFRS 9, 2014		
Assets	AC*	FVPL**	FVOCI***	CA*	FVPL**	FVOCI***
Cash and cash equivalents		X			X	
Credit portfolio and financial leasing	X			X		
Debt securities	X	X		X	X	X
Equity investments		X			X	
Investments in associates and joint ventures at fair value			X			X

<sup>\*</sup>AC = Amortized cost

**Impairment:** IFRS 9 makes significant changes in the assessment of the impairment of the value of financial instruments and therefore their associated risk, going from an incurred loss model to one of expected credit loss. This new regulation also proposes the definition of a model that identifies a Significant Increase in Credit Risk (SICR) in an instrument prior to the identification of objective evidence of impairment (EOD) and for which a loss, the life time of the asset should be measured.

<sup>\*\*</sup>FVPL = Fair value with changes in results

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>FVOCI= Fair value with changes in other comprehensive results.

In this regard, Grupo Bancolombia established the quantitative and qualitative criteria through which it is possible to identify significant increases in the credit risk of an instrument.

The impairment-related requirements apply for financial assets measured at amortized cost and fair value with changes in OCI (FVOCI), whose business model is intended to receive contractual and / or sale flows (as for lease accounts receivable, loan commitments and financial guarantees).

The Bank, in accordance with IFRS 9, estimates the Expected Credit Loss (ECL) based on the present value of the difference between contractual cash flows and expected cash flows of the instrument, estimated through collective methodologies or individual analysis. The ECL amount will be updated on each presentation date to reflect changes in the portfolio's credit risk since the initial recognition.

Through the methodological implementation plan, the necessary adaptations to IFRS 9 were made, including the changes required in its provision calculation model, in order to comply with the expected impairment and loss requirements established by the international standard. For this, new processes and procedures were created, impairment policies were updated and a control environment aligned with the SOX requirements was designed.

Impairment measurements were made through collective and individual evaluation models, with sufficient sophistication required for each portfolio. Collective models include parameters of probability of default at 12 months, life time probability of default, loss given default and exposure at default with the inclusion of the prospective criteria. The individual analysis methodology is applied in significant exposures and includes the evaluation of weighted loss scenarios, taking into account the macroeconomic expectations and the particular conditions of each debtor.

**Impact of IFRS 9 transition:** The impact of the adoption of IFRS 9 is recognized in the initial equity as of January 1, 2018 and was estimated based on calculations made in the consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2017; as a result an increase was observed in the Bank's allowance, which ranged between COP 470 billion and COP 730 billion. This estimate could vary mainly due to:

- ·Estimates of ECL models (Expected Credit Loss) are being refined.
- •The Bank is finalizing the tests and evaluations of the controls of the new systems and processes.

**Hedge accounting:** These requirements align hedge accounting more closely with risk management, establish a more principle-based approach to hedge accounting and address inconsistencies and weaknesses in the hedge accounting model in IAS 39. Entities have been provided with an accounting policy option between applying the hedge accounting requirements of IFRS 9 or continuing with the application of the existing hedge accounting requirements of IAS 39 for all hedge accounting, as the project on macro hedge accounting has not yet been completed. In consequence, the Bank opted for continuing the application of IAS 39 requirements for hedge accounting.

**Impact of IFRS 9 transition - Liabilities:** The Bank expects a low impact corresponding to the remeasurement of the modified financial liabilities that did not result in derecognition, due to the clarification of the IASB contained in the amendment of IFRS 9 - Characteristics of early cancellation with negative compensation.

**IFRS 15, Revenue from Contracts with Customers:** On May 28, 2014, the IASB published IFRS 15, which sets forth the principles of presentation of useful financial information about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of the income and cash flows generated from the contracts of an entity with its clients. IFRS 15 establishes that an entity recognizes revenue from ordinary activities so they can represent the transfer of goods or services committed with customers in exchange for an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for such assets or services. IFRS 15 replaces IAS 11 - Construction contracts, IAS 18 - Income from ordinary activities, as well as related interpretations. This rule is effective for the period beginning on January 1, 2018, allowing its early application. It is expected that a significant proportion of Bancolombia Bank revenues will be outside the scope of IFRS 15, since most of the revenue comes from the operation of financial instruments.

In the process of implementing IFRS 15 in the Bancolombia Bank, the contracts agreed with clients were reviewed, in order to establish the impacts on the separation of the components included in them. For this purpose, the following activities were carried out:

Evaluation of promised services in contracts, identifying performance obligations.

- Evaluation of the performance obligations of each contract and whether there are impacts for compliance with the new standard.
- Analysis of concessions, incentives, bonuses, price adjustments clauses, penalties, discounts and refunds or similar elements contained in the agreements made.
- Identification of possible variable compensations included in the contracts and determination as to whether the recognition of the same is being carried out appropriately.
- Analysis of loyalty programs with customers and packages (product grouping) and whether they have impacts for compliance with the new standard.
- Identification and determination of internal post-implementation controls to ensure compliance with accounting and disclosure requirements based on new products and services that are developed within the Bank to meet the financial needs of its customers.

At the date of initial application, the Bank evaluated the contracts and commitments established with clients, identifying compliance with the five steps established in IFRS 15 and evaluating the impact on recognition within their Financial Statements, as follows:

- **Identification of the contract with the customer:** the parties' rights, payment conditions, evaluation of the 1. commercial basis, characteristics of the compensations were identified and it was evaluated if there were modifications or combinations that applied.
- 2. **Identification of the contract obligations:** The Bank evaluated the commitments included in the entity's contracts to identify when the customer makes use of the service and whether the obligations are identifiable separately.
- **Price Setting:** The characteristics of the amounts to which the agreed services were exchanged were reviewed in the 3. Bank's contracts, in order to estimate the effect of the variable consideration in kind, or others payable to the customer.
- 4. **Price Distribution:** In the evaluation of prices to the Bank's contracts, it was found that these are designated individually to the services provided by the entity, even in the products where there are commitments packaged.
- Satisfaction of the Obligations: The obligations established in contracts with customers are satisfied when the control of the service is transferred to the customer and the recognition is performed as established in IFRS 15 over time or at a given time, given the above, the Bank does not have a significant impact in the recognition of the income since the recognition is done as indicated in the standard.

The Bank has evaluated and updated its internal controls over financial reporting in regards to the identification of contracts, in particular, assessed the characteristics of performance obligations to ensure that the recognition of income is adequately carried out in light of the standard.

In carrying out the above activities, it was identified that there are no impacts that generate changes to the recognition of income for the Bancolombia Bank given that the accounting procedures are in accordance with the provisions of

IFRS 15 and therefore, there is no financial effect by the implementation of the new standard, the adjustments to the information disclosures will be made as established in the regulatory framework IFRS15.

**IFRS 16, Leases:** In January, 2016, the IASB issued IFRS 16 to replace IAS 17. Accounting for finance leases will remain substantially the same. Operating leases will be brought on balance sheet through the recognition of assets representing the contractual rights of use and liabilities will be recognized for the contractual payments. Applying that model, a lessee is required to recognize:

- (a) Assets and liabilities for all leases with a term of more than 12 months, unless the underlying asset is of low value; and
- (b) Depreciation of lease assets separately from interest on lease liabilities in the statement of income.

Management is evaluating the impact of the adoption of IFRS 16 on the Bank, in its financial position statement and disclosures. The Bank expectes to apply this standard when it become effective on January 1, 2019.

To date, the inventory of active contracts has been made in order to determine which will impact the implementation of the standard and then quantify it. Likewise, the most optimum technological alternative is being evaluated to enable the administration of the information and ensure proper registration according to the requirements of the standard

**IFRS 17, Insurance:** In May 2016, the IASB issued IFRS 17 to replace IFRS 4. Accounting for insurance contracts requires entities to separate specified embedded derivatives, investment components and performance obligations are distinguished from the insurance contracts to separately recognize, present and disclose insurance revenues, insurance service expenses and the insurance financial income or expense. However, a simplified measurement method is allowed to measure the quantity related to the remaining service by allocating the premium during the coverage period.

This IFRS is mandatory for periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021. Advance application is allowed. Management has assessed the impact of the adoption of IFRS 17 on the Bank's financial statements and disclosures, without identifying a material effect on its current financial position or disclosures.

Amendments to IAS 40 - Investment Property: IASB clarifies when a change of use occurs that may lead to the transfer of a property to or from investment property. Change of use occurs when the property meets, or meets no longer, the definition of investment property and there is evidence of change of use. In isolation, a change in management's intentions to use a property does not provide evidence of a change of use. This amendment is effective as of January 1, 2018, allowing early adoption.

The Bank evaluated the proposed amendment in the standard by determining that the events described therein regarding changes in the use of Investment Property have not taken place in the Bank and its subsidiaries, therefore, the new requirements in IAS 40 will be applied prospectively for new operations as of January 1, 2018, at the moment that transfers of properties with these characteristics are done.

**IFRIC 22 Transactions in Foreign Currency and Advance Payments:** This interpretation is issued to determine the exchange rate to be used for the recognition of income from ordinary activities when an entity has received an anticipated consideration in foreign currency. The date of the transaction to determine the exchange rate to be used in the initial recognition of the related asset, expense or income is the date on which an entity initially recognizes the non-monetary asset or non-monetary liability arising from payment or collection of the anticipated consideration. This interpretation is effective as of January 1, 2018, allowing early adoption.

Management assessed the impact of the Bank's interpretation on its financial statements and disclosures by modifying the accounting recognition of administrative payments whose change does not generate a material impact. The Bank's other accounting procedures do not show any impact since advances made in foreign currency comply with the guidelines of IFRIC 22.

**IFRIC 23 uncertainty over income tax treatments:** This interpretation has the object of reducing the diversity there is in the recognition and calculation of a tax liability or an asset when there is uncertainty about tax treatment.

This applies to all accounting aspects of the income tax when there is uncertainty regarding the treatment of an element, including the tax gain or loss, the assets and liabilities tax bases, tax loss and credit and tax rates. This interpretation shall become enforceable for the annual periods commencing as of January 1, 2019.

The Bank shall reflect the effect of an uncertain tax position in regard to the income tax, when it will be concluded that it is unlikely that the tax authority accepts an uncertain tax treatment and, therefore, it will likely pay amounts relating to the uncertain tax treatment.

## E. Significant Accounting Policies

The significant accounting policies that the Bank uses in preparing its consolidated financial statements are detailed below:

## 1. Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Bank's entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ('the functional currency'). The consolidated financial statements are presented in Colombian pesos, which is the functional currency for the Parent Company, and the presentation currency for the consolidated financial statements. All transactions and balances in other currency than pesos are considered as foreign currency.

#### 2. Transactions and balances in foreign currency

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at period end exchange rates are generally recognized in net income. They are deferred in equity if they relate to qualifying cash flow hedges and qualifying net investment hedges or are attributable to part of the net investment in a foreign operation.

Non-monetary items that are measured at cost are held at the exchange rate of transaction date, while those which are measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined. When a gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognized in other comprehensive income, any exchange component of that gain or loss is recognized in other comprehensive income. Conversely, when a gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognized in net income, any exchange component of that gain or loss shall be recognized in net income.

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#### Foreign subsidiaries

The results and financial position of foreign operations (none of which has the currency of a hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the Bank's presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- · assets and liabilities for each statement of financial position presented are translated at the closing rate at the date of that statement of financial position
- · income and expenses for each statement of income and statement of other comprehensive income are translated at average exchange rates, and
- · all resulting exchange differences are recognized in other comprehensive income in Translation adjustment reserve.

As part of the consolidation process, exchange differences arising from debt securities in issue and the portion of other financial instruments designated as hedges of foreign operations that are determined to be an effective hedge, are recognized in other comprehensive income in Translation adjustment reserve. When a foreign operation is sold or any debt securities in issue forming part of the net investment are repaid, the associated exchange differences are reclassified to net income, as part of the gain or loss on sale.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign operation are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operation and translated at the closing exchange rate.

The table below sets forth the exchange rate used by the Bank and its subsidiaries to convert statement of financial position accounts and transactions in U.S. dollar into Colombian pesos:

#### December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016 December 31, 2015

Closing exchange rate	2,984.00	3,000.71	3,149.47
Average rate for the period ended at	2.951.21	3.053.20	2.746.55

#### 4. Cash and cash equivalents

The Bank considers cash and cash equivalents to include cash and balances at central bank, interbank assets and reverse repurchase agreements and other similar secured lending that have original maturities since its acquisition date up to 90 days, as shown in Note 4.

5. Security deposits.

Security deposits are assets pledged as collateral that correspond to cash guarantees made by the Bank to other financial institutions. The carrying amount is increased when a margin call is issued or when it is necessary to increase the trading quota; conversely, it is decreased when the aim is to lower that quota. The security deposits are recognized as other assets in the consolidated statement of financial position at the amount paid in favor of the counterpart and this assets are not subjet to interest recognition.

### 6. Business combinations and goodwill

Business combinations are those transactions where an acquirer obtains control of a business (e.g. an acquisition or merger).

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method as follows: a) Identifiable acquired assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in the acquisition are recognized at fair value at the date of acquisition; b) Acquisition costs are recognized in the consolidated statement of income as expenses in the periods in which the costs are incurred and the services are received; c) and goodwill is recognized as an asset in the consolidated statement of financial position.

The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary is the fair value of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Bank (If any).

Goodwill is measured as the excess of the sum of the consideration transferred, the value of any non-controlled interest and, when applicable, the fair value of any previous equity interest in the acquiree, over the net fair value of the acquired assets, liabilities or contingent liabilities assumed at the date of acquisition.

For each business combination, at the date of acquisition, the Bank measures the non-controlling interest by the proportional share of the identifiable assets acquired, as well as liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed by the acquired company, or by their fair value.

Any contingent consideration in a business combination is classified as a liability or as equity and is recognized at fair value at the date of acquisition, the liability is remeasured at subsequent reporting dates in accordance with IAS 37, Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets, and the consideration classified as equity is not remeasured at subsequent reporting dates and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity.

The goodwill acquired in a business combination is allocated, at the date of acquisition, to the Bank's cash-generating units (or group of cash generating units) which are expected to benefit from the combination, regardless of whether other assets or liabilities of the acquiree are assigned to those units or group of units.

For business combinations achieved in stages, any previous equity interest held by the Bank in the acquiree is remeasured at its fair value at the date of acquisition and any resulting gain (or loss) is reported in the consolidated statement of income or other comprehensive income, as appropriate. Amounts previously recognized in other comprehensive income that must be recycle through net income in relation with such investments are reclassified to the consolidated statement of income, as if such investment had been sold. When the associate has other comprehensive income, which is not reclassified to profit or loss, the amounts are not reclassified when the investment is sold.

When the Bank enters into a option contract to acquire totally o partially the amount of shares in a subsidiary held by non-controlling interest, that entitles the non-controlling interest to sell its interest in the subsidiary to the Bank, the Bank analyzes whether the ownership risks and rewards remain with the non-controlling interest or have been transferred to the Bank. The non-controlling interest is recognized to the extent the risks and rewards of ownership of those shares remain with them. Irrespective of whether the non-controlling interest is recognized, a financial liability is recorded for the present value of the redemption amount. Subsequent changes to the liability are recognized in net income. The Bank will reclassify the liability to equity if the put option expires unexercised.

Financial instruments

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A financial instrument is a contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

# 7.1. Recognition of financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities are recognized in the statement of financial position when the Bank becomes a party of the contractual provisions of the instrument. This includes conventional purchases and sales, which are those purchases and sales of financial assets that require the delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace. The Bank uses settlement date accounting for regular way contracts when recording financial asset transactions.

# 7.2. Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are reported on a net basis on the statement of financial position if and only if (i) there is currently a legally enforceable right to set off the recognized amounts and (ii) there is intention to settle on a net basis, or to realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The Bank does not offset income and expenses, unless required or permitted by an IFRS.

7.3. Fair value

The fair value of all financial assets and liabilities is determined at the statement of financial position date, for recognition or disclosure in the notes to the financial statements.

To determine fair value, characteristics of the asset or liability are taken into account in the same way that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date; at estimating, is taken into consideration:

Based on quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities to which the Bank can access at the measurement date (level 1).

Based on inputs of valuation methodologies commonly used by the market participants, these inputs are other than quoted prices included with in level 1 that are observable for the assets or liabilities, either directly or indirectly; considering inputs as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the assets or liabilities like interest rates and yield curves observable at commonly quoted intervals, implied volatilities and credit spreads, and market-corroborated inputs (level 2).

Based on internal valuation techniques of discounted cash flow and other valuation methodologies, using unobservable inputs estimated by the Bank for the assets or liabilities, in the absence of observable inputs (level 3).

The accounting judgments used in determining fair value related to matters such as liquidity risk, credit risk and volatility. The changes in estimates related to these factors could affect the recognized fair value of the financial instruments.

In Note 29 Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities analysis is provided of the fair values of financial instruments and non-financial assets and liabilities, including further details about the measurement of fair value.

7.4. Financial assets

At initial recognition, the Bank measures financial assets at fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset that is not measured at fair value through profit or loss, the transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial assets. Financial assets are then classified considering their subsequent measurement at fair value or amortized cost, respectively, on the basis of the business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the instrument. In addition, for particular investments in equity instruments, in accordance with IFRS 9 (2013), the Bank made the irrevocable election to present subsequent changes in fair value in other comprehensive income.

### 7.4.1 Money market operations

### Interbank assets and interbank deposits

These are funds that the Bank lends to other financial institutions or borrows from the Central Bank and other financial institutions. The transactions in an asset position with maturity of up to ninety days are measured at fair value and classified as cash equivalents. The operations in an asset position with maturity greater than ninety days and all the operations in a liability position are measured at amortized cost and presented as "Other assets" or "interbank deposits", respectively.

### Repurchase agreements and other similar secured transactions

#### **Asset Position**

Asset position refers to transactions accounted for as collateralized lending in which the Bank purchases securities with an agreement to resell them back to the seller at a stated price plus interest at a specified date, not exceeding one year. Repos in asset position are initially recognized at the consideration paid and they are subsequently measured at amortized cost. The difference between the purchase value and resale price is recorded in net interest income and accrued over the life of the agreement using the effective interest rate method.

# **Liability Position**

Liability position refers to transactions accounted for as collateralized borrowing in which the Bank sells debt securities with an agreement to repurchase them back from the buyer at a stated price plus interest at a specified date, not exceeding one year.

The securities sold under those agreements are not derecognized from the statement of financial position when the Bank substantially retains all of the risks and rewards of the securities. However, the securities are disclosed as pledged assets. The amounts received are initially recognized, at fair value, as a financial liability and subsequently measured at amortized cost. The difference between the sale value and the repurchase value is treated as interest expense and accrued over the life of the agreement by the effective interest rate method.

#### 7.4.2 Debt and equity securities

### Securities at amortized cost

Debt securities are classified at amortized cost only if the asset is maintained within a business model whose objective is to hold it in order to collect contractual cash flows and the contractual terms of the security give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding; Its interest income is recognized using the effective interest rate method.

The effective interest method is a method used to calculate the amortized cost of an asset and to assign the income or cost in interest during the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the discount rate at which the present value of future estimated cash payments or those received through the expected life of the financial instrument, or, when appropriate, in a shorter time frame, are equal to the net carrying value at the beginning. To calculate the effective interest rate, the Bank estimates cash flows considering all the contractual terms of the financial instrument, including transaction costs and premiums granted minus commissions and discounts, but without considering future credit losses.

### Securities at fair value through profit or loss

These are equity securities and debt securities that are not subsequently measured at amortized cost. The difference between the current fair value and the immediately preceding fair value of the respective security is recorded as a higher or lower value of the asset, affecting the statement of income.

### 7.4.3 Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income

The Bank has made an irrevocable election to present in other comprehensive income, subsequent changes in fair value of some equity instruments that are not held for trading; dividends from this type of instrument are recognized in net income only when the entity's right to receive payment of the dividend is established.

#### 7.4.4 Loans and advances to customers and financial institutions, leases and other receivables

These are financial assets that consist primarily of corporate loans, personal loans (including mainly consumer finance and overdrafts), residential mortgage loans and financial leases. The Bank established that loans, advances to customers and other receivables are held within a business model whose objective is to hold them in order to collect contractual cash flows and the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. They are initially measured at fair value, plus transaction costs and origination fees that are directly attributable to the acquisition. They are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method.

### 7.4.5 Impairment of financial assets at amortized cost

At the end of every period, the Bank assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets measured at amortized cost are impaired; impairment is recognized as a result of one or more events that occurred, after the initial recognition of the financial asset, where the loss event has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or group of financial assets that can be reliably estimated.

Indicators that the financial asset is impaired include historical performance data, particular characteristics of the borrower, fair value of collateral, the borrower's debt to other entities, macroeconomic factors and financial information, a significant financial difficulty of the borrower, whether the borrower will likely to declare bankruptcy or financial restructuring, or any breach of contract, such as a default or delinquency in interest or principal payments.

#### 7.4.5.1 Impairment of loans

The Bank individually reviews impaired loans superior to five billion Colombian pesos (USD 1.5 million for foreign subsidiaries), analyzing the debt profile of each debtor, the guarantees granted and information on the credit behavior in the sector. Financial assets are considered significant when, based on current or past information and events, it is likely that the entity will not be able to recover the amounts described in the original contract, including the interests and commissions agreed upon in the contract. When a significant financial asset has been identified as impaired, the amount of the loss is measured as the balance due minus the current net value of the estimated future cash flows. To estimate these flows, basic projected hypotheses are used based on qualitative analysis and backed up by information obtained from the Special Client Administration Committee as well as approvals made with Commerce Managers. When it is determined that a fundamental source of credit collection is a guarantee, the amount of loss is estimated as the balance due minus the fair value of the guarantee minus the estimated selling costs.

For credits that are not considered individually significant and for the portfolio of individually significant credits that are not considered impaired, a collective evaluation is carried out. Portfolios of financial assets with similar characteristics are grouped, using statistical techniques based on the analysis of historical losses to determine an estimated percentage of losses that have been incurred by those assets on the balance date. The percentages of historical losses used in the process are updated to incorporate the most recent data of the current economic conditions, the performance trends by industry or region, or the concentration of obligations in each portfolio of financial assets by segment, and any other relevant information that may affect the provision of loss estimate for financial assets.

The financial assets are removed from the balance from the provision when they are considered non-recoverable. The recoveries of financial assets previously discounted are recorded as an increase in the provision.

Quantification of the losses incurred takes into account three fundamental factors: exposure at default, the probability of default and the loss caused by default:

Exposure at default: It is understood as the exposed balance of assets to the current capital balance, interest and accounts receivable. In the case of products whose nature is revolving and that have an available quota that is susceptible to be used in its entirety according to loan contracts subscribed with clients, this parameter indicates over-use which can be incurred in the event of client default.

Probability of default (PD): This is the probability that the debtor fails to fulfill their obligations of capital and/or interest payment over a period of twelve months. This is linked to the rating/scoring of each debtor/operation.

A hybrid model is used to estimate the probabilities of defaulting based on a through-the-cycle defaulting probability model, and then these probabilities are changed using the following parameters:

The LIP (Loss identification Period) parameter changes the probability of defaulting to losses incurred. LIP is the time between the moment of an event that causes a loss and the moment when that loss becomes significant on an individual level. The analysis of LIPs is made based on homogeneous risk portfolios.

Macroeconomic adjustment: this parameter converts the through-the-cycle (TTC) defaulting probability model into a point-in-time (PIT) model, using an adjustment that reflects the effect of the current conditions. Given that defaulting probability is estimated using a database that contains precedents of historical losses in a complete economic cycle, the macroeconomic adjustment allows suppression of effects from the conditions of the historical period that no longer exist.

In the specific case of doubtful assets, the allocated probability of default is 100%. The classification of an asset as "doubtful" is made because of a non-payment of 90 days or more (180 days for the Banistmo mortgage portfolio), as well as in cases that there is no non-payment, but where there are doubts about the solvency of the debtor.

Loss given default (LGD): This is defined as the economic impairment in which the entity would incur in the event of any instance of default. This depends mainly upon the characteristics of the debtor and upon the valuation of guarantees or collateral associated with the operation.

Once a debt or collection of debts is classed as impaired, the interest revenues are still accounted for using the applicable rate of interest for the discount for future cashflows in order to measure loss due to depreciation.

#### 7.4.6 Restructured financial assets

Loan restructuring is an alternative to achieve a proper collection management. It must be understood as a resource of atypical use to standardize the behavior of a portfolio, using a new contractual agreement between the parties. Such agreement aims to modify the originally established conditions in order to allow the proper attention to the loan in the light of the real or potential impairment in the debtor's payment ability. The loan restructuring is implemented through amendments to the contractual terms, rates and payment terms. In any case, at the restructuring time, all the collateral must be preserved and if possible, the Bank's position should be improved by obtaining new guarantees or guarantors that support the obligations.

In the restructuring, real and personal property can be received as foreclosed assets to cancel partially the obligations. Likewise, the Bank can grant discounts on interest or other related receivables. If necessary, the discount can be applied to loan principal, either because the guarantees or payment sources do not have coverage on total loan or because the agreement does not permit full recovery of the total balance. The terms are reviewed in each negotiation to determine if the client should continue in the portfolio and if so, the terms to restore the business relationship after a certain time.

If as a result of restructuring, the financial asset is derecognized, costs and fees are recognized in net income, as well the difference between the value in the balance sheet and the consideration received. In the case in which the modified financial asset is not derecognized, the costs and fees are deferred and will be amortized by the remaining life of the modified asset.

Before the commencement of the restructuring process, the Bank should perform an analysis of the debtor's projected cash flow in order to evaluate the capacity to pay the proposed plan. Restructuring loans are classified as follows:

### **Private Agreement**

These are restructuring based on agreement with the client resulting from, after negotiations between the two parties, without any legal special scheme adopted by the debtor.

#### Regulated by the law agreements

These are restructuring that result from legal bankruptcy and insolvency procedures or corporate restructuring agreements acquired by the client.

# **7.4.7 Leasing**

#### 7.4.7.1 The Bank as lessee

The assets taken for lease under financial leases are recognized at the lower of the fair value of the leased assets and the present value of the minimum lease payments. Such assets are recognized as premises and equipment in the statement of financial position.

The assets leased under financial leases are depreciated throughout their life using the straight line method. However, if there is no reasonable certainty that the Bank will obtain the property at the end of the lease term, the asset is depreciated throughout its life or the lease term, whichever is shorter. The lease payments are divided between interest and debt reduction. The finance charges are recorded in the consolidated statement of income.

The payments for operating leases are recognized on a straight line basis over the term of the lease as expenses in the statement of income during the lease term. Lease incentives received are recognized as an integral part of the total lease expenses over the term of the lease.

#### 7.4.7.2 The Bank as lessor

The lease agreements entered into by the Bank are classified at the initial recognition as financial or operating leases.

The Bank classifies a lease as a financial lease when according to the agreement substantially, all the inherent risks and benefits are transferred to the lessee and are recognized as the sum of the minimum payments to be received and any unguaranteed residual value discounted at the lease interest rate is recorded as part of the loan. Otherwise, the lease is classified as an operating lease, which is classified in the statement of financial position as premises and equipment. The initial direct costs incurred in the negotiation of an operating lease are added to the carrying value of the leased assets and recorded as a cost during the lease term on the same basis as the lease income. The contingent rents of the leases are recorded as income in the period in which they are obtained.

Among the risks transferred are the possibilities of losses through underutilization, technological obsolescence, decrease in profitability or changes in the economic environment. Among the benefits derived from the use are the expectation of profit over the economic life of the asset and eventually, the appreciation of its residual value or realization of the asset.

The following are indications of transfer of risk and rewards of ownership to the lessee:

The agreement indicates that the lessee has the option to purchase the asset at a price that is expected to be equal to or less than 10.00% of the fair value of the asset upon termination of the lease.

The term of the lease covers most of the economic life of the asset when the minimum lease term represents 75.00% or more of the economic life of the leased asset.

At the inception of the lease, the present value of the minimum lease payments amounts to at least 90.00% of the fair value of the leased asset.

The leased assets are of such a specialized nature that only the lessee has the possibility of using them without making significant modifications.

If during the lease term, the lessor and the lessee decide to modify the initial conditions, and the agreed changes result in a different classification, then the modified agreement will be considered a new lease with new clauses that will lead to the classification of a financial or operating lease, as appropriate.

#### 7.5. Financial liabilities

At initial recognition, the Bank measures its financial liabilities at fair value. The transaction costs that are directly attributable to the financial liability are deducted from its fair value if the instruments are subsequently recognized at amortized cost, or will be recognized in the statement of income if the liabilities are measured at fair value.

Derivative liabilities are measured at fair value through profit and loss and the gains or losses of those liabilities are recognized in the statement of income for subsequent measurements. Non-derivative financial liabilities are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate. Interest expenses are recognized in the statement of income unless it is a financial liability designated as at fair value through profit or loss, for which is required to present the effects of changes in the liability's credit risk in other comprehensive income.

### 7.5.1 Compound instruments

Compound financial instruments that comprise both a liability and equity component must be separated and accounted for separately. Therefore, for initial measurement, the liability component is the fair value of a similar liability which doesn't have an equity component (determined by discounting future cash flows using the market rate at the date of the issuance). The difference between the fair value of the liability component and the fair value of the compound financial instrument considered as a whole is the residual value assigned to the equity component. Subsequent to initial recognition, the liability component of a compound financial instrument is measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method. The equity component of a compound financial instrument is not re-measured subsequent to initial recognition. The liability component corresponds to the preferred dividend related to 1% of the subscription price, which is the payment of the minimum dividend on the preferred shares for each period in accordance with the Bank's bylaws.

#### 7.5.2 Financial guarantee contracts and loan commitments

In order to meet the needs of its customers, the Bank issues financial standby letters of credit, bank guarantees and loan commitments. Loan commitments are those agreements under which the bank has an irrevocable obligation to grant the loan. The financial guarantee contracts issued by the Bank are contracts that require the issuer to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payment when due to accordance with the original or modified terms of a debt instrument.

Both financial guarantee contracts and loan commitments are initially recognized as liability at fair value, which is normally the fee received, adjusted for the directly attributable transaction costs incurred. Such contracts are measured at the higher between the provision amount measured according to IAS 37 -Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets and the amount initially recognized less, when proceeds, the accumulated amortization recognized according IAS 18 - Revenues

Income derived from guarantees is recognized as fees and commission income in the statement of income over the term of the contract.

### 7.6 Derecognition of financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets are derecognized when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Bank has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership or in which the Bank neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

On derecognition of a financial asset, the difference between: (a) the carrying amount (measured at the date of derecognition) and (b) the consideration received (including any new asset obtained less any new liability assumed) is recognized in net income.

In transactions in which the Bank neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a financial asset, the Bank continues to recognize the asset to the extent of its continuing involvement, determined by the extent to which it is exposed to changes in the value of the transferred financial asset.

A financial liability is removed from the statement of financial position when it is extinguished, that is when the obligation is discharged, cancelled or expired.

#### Debt exchange

The Bank assesses whether the instruments subject to exchange are substantially different from each other, considering qualitative aspects such as currencies, terms, rates, conditions of subordination, regulatory framework, among others; and quantitative, in which is evaluated whether the present value of discounted cash flows under the conditions of the new instruments (including any commission paid net of any commission received) and using the original effective interest rate to calculate the discount, is at least 10 percent different from the discounted present value of the cash flows that still remain of the original financial liability.

When it is concluded that the instruments subject to debt exchange are not substantially different, the transaction is recognized as a modification of the debt. In this case, incremental costs and commissions adjust the carrying amount of the liability and are amortized over the remaining life of the modified liability, in accordance with its subsequent measurement at Amortized Cost. In debt exchanges that are considered substantially different, the financial instrument is derecognized and a new financial liability is recognized.

### 7.6.1 Written-Off loan portfolio balances and related allowances

Loans are written off when the Bank concludes there is no a realistic expectation of recovery of the principal and receivables balances from a client or third party. In general, this characteristic will be fulfilled when the following delinquency conditions are present:

Type Length of delinquency

Consumer 180 days, 450 for vehicles in BAM, 720 for loans with mortgage guarantee in Banco Agricola

Commercial 360 days

Small Business Loan 180 days, 720 for loans with guarantee in Banistmo

Mortgage 1.620 days. For Banistmo and Banco Agrícola from 720 days. BAM 1440 days.

Among the reasons underlying the portfolio's non-recoverability are the estimated recovery time of the obligation and the probable recovery percentage given the existence or lack of collaterals. When default conditions are present, it is initially necessary to evaluate whether the collaterals that support the loan generate a reasonable expectation of recovery; if so, the necessary steps are taken to realize of the collateral prior to writing-off; in cases where the

collateral net fair value indicates that there are no reasonable expectations of recovery, loans are written-off. In most mortgage loan cases, there is still a high probability of recovery after the delinquency.

#### 7.7. Derivatives financial instruments

A financial derivative is an instrument whose value changes in response to changes in a variable such as an interest rate, exchange rate, the price of a financial instrument, a credit rating or a credit index. This instrument requires no initial investment or it is smaller than would be required for other financial instruments with a similar response to changes in market conditions, and it is generally settled at a future date.

The Bank carries out derivative transactions to facilitate the business of clients related to the management of their market and credit risk; managing the exposure in its own position to changes in interest rates and risks in exchange rates; or to obtain benefits from changes in valuations experienced by these instruments in the market. Derivatives are recognized and measured at fair value through profit or loss, unless such derivatives are designated as hedging instruments in cash flow hedges or in a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation. In those cases, the effective portion of changes in the fair value of the derivatives are recognized in other comprehensive income

# 7.7.1 Hedge accounting

Fair value hedges are used by the Bank, through its Panamanian subsidiary, Banistmo, to protect against changes in the fair value of investment securities that are attributable to interest rate variability. Cash flow hedges are used mainly to reduce the variability in cash flows of deposits issued by Banistmo caused by interest rate changes. When the hedging relationship is considered to be highly effective, the changes in value of the hedging derivative are accounted for according to their classification as fair value hedges, cash flow hedges and hedges of net investment in foreign operations, as set in the paragraph below.

The Bank assesses at the inception of the hedge and on a monthly basis during the life of the instrument, whether the hedge used in the transaction is expected to be highly effective (prospective effectiveness), and considers the actual effectiveness of the hedge on an ongoing basis (retrospective effectiveness). The Bank discontinues the hedge accounting when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised, the hedge no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting or if hedge designation is revoked. When hedge accounting for a fair value hedge is terminated the previous adjustments related to the changes in fair value of the hedged item are subsequently recorded in the consolidated statement of income in the same manner as other components of the carrying amount of that asset.

Before the establishment of the hedge accounting, The Bank documents the relationship between hedged items and hedging instruments, as well as its risk management objectives and hedging strategies, which are approved by the Risk Management Committee as the body designated by the Board of Directors.

Hedge relationships, are classified and accounted for in the following way:

- **Fair value hedges:** are designated to protect against the exposure to changes in the fair value of recognized assets or liabilities or unrecognized firm commitments.

Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated and qualify as hedging instruments in fair value hedges are recorded in the statement of income as interest and valuation on investments. The change in fair value of the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk is uncluded as part of the carrying value of the hedged item, and it is also recognized in the aforementioned item of statement of income.

For fair value hedges that are related to items accounted for at amortized cost, the adjustments to the carrying value are amortized through the statement of income during the remaining term until their expiry. The amortization of the effective interest rate will be able to begin as long as there is an adjustment to the carrying value of the hedged item, but it will have to begin at the latest when the hedged item is no longer adjusted by changes to its fair value attributable to the risk that is being hedged. The amortization of the adjustments to the carrying value is based on the effective interest rate recalculated on the starting date of the amortization. If the hedged item is derecognized, the non-amortized fair value is recognized immediately in the statement of income. If the hedge instrument expires or it is sold, terminated or exercised, or when the hedge no longer meets the criteria for hedge accounting, the Bank discontinues prospectively the hedge accounting. For the items hedged at amortized cost, the difference between the carrying value of the item hedged at the completion of the hedge and the nominal value are amortized using the effective rate method during the time surplus of the original terms of the hedge. If the hedged item is derecognized, the remaining value to amortize is recognized immediately in the statement of income.

When an unrecognized firm commitment is designated as a hedged item, the subsequent cumulative change in the fair value of the firm commitment attributable to the hedged risk is recognized as an asset or liability with corresponding gain or loss recognized in net income.

Cash flow hedges: are used mainly to manage the exposition to variability related to the cash flow attributable of a specific risk associated with an asset or liability recognized on statement of financial position or to a highly probable forecast transaction.

The portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument that is determined to be an effective hedge is recognized in other comprehensive income. The ineffective portion of the gain or loss on the hedging instrument is recognized in the statement of income.

If the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised, without replacement or rollover into another hedging instrument, or if its hedging designation is revoked, any accumulated gain or loss previously recognized in OCI remains in OCI, until the planned operation or the firm commitment affects the result.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the Bank revokes the hedging relationship, when the hedging isntrument expires or is sold, terminated, or excercised, or when no longer quilifies for hedge accounting. Any gain or loss recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity at that time remains in equity and is recognised in other comprehensive income when the forecast transaction is ultimately recognised in net income. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the gain or loss acumulated in equity is recognised inmediately in net income.

Hedges of a net investment in a foreign operation: In accordance with IFRS 9 'Financial instruments' and IFRIC 16 'Hedges of a net investment in a foreign operation', the Bank has decided to apply the hedge accounting of the foreign currency risk arising from its net investment in Banistmo, designating as a hedging instrument certain debt securities issued by the Parent Company. Considering the hedge accounting relationship, in the case of the net investment, the gain or loss derived from the foreign exchange differences related to the debt securities that is determined to be an effective hedge is recognized in other comprehensive income, as well as the currency translation adjustment of the Banistmo operation into the presentation currency as required by IAS 21 as detailed in F.2. 'Functional and presentation currency'.

### 8. Premises and equipment and depreciation

Premises and equipment include tangible items that are held for use, for rental to others, or for administrative purposes and are expected to be used for more than one period.

Items of premises and equipment are expressed at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The depreciable amount is the cost of an asset less its residual value. The estimated useful lives for each asset group are:

Asset group	Useful life range
Buildings	10 to 75 years
Furniture and fixtures	5 to 20 years
Computer equipment	3 to 20 years
Equipment and machinery	3 to 40 years
Vehicles	3 to 6 years

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. When there is a significant change, the depreciation and the charge to the statement of income are adjusted based on the new estimation.

Assets classified as premises and equipment are subject to impairment tests when events or circumstances occur indicating that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable

An impairment loss is recognized for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount and is recognized in the statement of income as 'impairment, depreciation and amortization'.

When the carrying value exceeds the recoverable value, the carrying value is adjusted to its recoverable value, modifying the future charges for depreciation, according to its new remaining useful life.

In a similar way, when indications exist that the value of an asset has been recovered, reversal of an impairment loss is recognized immediately in net income and consequently the future charges for the asset's depreciation are adjusted. In any case, the reversal of the impairment loss of assets cannot increase its carrying value above the amount that it

would have if impairment losses in previous periods had not been recognized.

For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the smallest identifiable group that generates cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets (cash-generating units). The evaluation can be carried out at individual asset level when the fair value less the cost of sale can be reliably determined and the value in use is estimated to be close to its fair value less costs to sell and fair value less costs to sell can be determined

Maintenance expenses of the premises and equipment are recognized as an expense in the period in which they are incurred and are registered in the consolidated statement of income as *administrative and general expenses*.

Gains and losses in the sale of premises and equipment are registered in the consolidated statement of income as *other operating income* or *other expenses*.

#### 9. Investment properties

Land and buildings that the Bank holds to earn rentals or for capital appreciation or both rather than for their use in the supply of services or sale in the ordinary course of business are recognized as investment properties.

The investment properties are measured initially at cost, including the transaction costs. The carrying value includes the cost of replacement or substitution of a part of an investment property at the time in which the cost is incurred, if the cost meets the recognition criteria; and it excludes the daily maintenance costs of the investment property which are included in the statement of income as "Other expenses".

After the initial recognition, the investment properties are measured at fair value which reflects the market conditions at the statement of financial position date. The gains and losses that arise from changes in the fair values of investment properties are included in the statement of income as 'Other operating income'.

The investment properties are derecognized, either at the moment of their disposal, or when they are permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefits are expected. The difference between the net disposal proceeds of the investment properties and the carrying value is recognized in net income in the period the disposal occurs.

Transfers to or from the investment properties are only made when there is a change in its use. For a transfer from an investment property to premises and equipment, the cost taken into account for its subsequent accounting is the fair value at the time of the change in use. If a premises and equipment becomes an investment property, it will be accounted for at its fair value.

#### 10. Intangible assets

An intangible asset is an identifiable non-monetary asset with no physical appearance. Separately acquired intangible assets are measured initially at their cost. The cost of intangible assets acquired in business combinations is their fair value at the date of acquisition. After the initial recognition, the intangible assets are accounted for at cost less any

accumulated amortization and any accumulated impairment loss. The costs of internally generated intangible assets, excluding the costs from development that meet the recognition criteria, are not capitalized and the expense is reflected in the statement of income as it is incurred.

The useful lives of intangible assets are determined as finite or indefinite. The intangible assets with finite useful lives are amortized using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives. The Bank assesses its intangible assets in order to identify whether any indications of impairment exist, as well as possible reversal of previous impairment losses. The amortization period and the amortization method for intangible assets with a finite useful life are reviewed at least at the close of each period. The expected changes in the useful life or in the pattern of consumption of the future economic benefits of the asset are accounted for when changing the period or amortization method, as appropriate, and they are treated as changes in the accounting estimates. The amortization expense of intangible assets with finite useful lives is recognized in the statement of income. The useful lives of the intangible assets with finite life ranges between 1 and 10 years.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are not subject to amortization, but are periodically tested in order to identify any impairment, either individually or at the cash-generating unit level. The assessment of the indefinite life is reviewed annually to determine if it continues being valid. In the event that the assessment were not valid, the change from indefinite useful life to finite useful life is recognized prospectively.

The gain or loss that arises when an intangible asset is derecognized are measured as the difference between the disposal value and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognized in the statement of income.

The Bank's intangible assets comprise mainly intangibles of finite useful life: licenses, software and computer applications, client relationships and the legal stability agreement signed with the Ministry of Finance and Public Credit (See note 19 Income tax), customer relationships and patents. Intangibles of indefinite useful life comprise Goodwill.

### 10.1 Research and development costs

The research costs are recorded as expenses as they are incurred. Costs directly related to the development of a stand-alone project are recognized as intangible assets when the following criteria are met:

- ·It is technical feasible of to complete the intangible asset so that it will be available for use or sale;
- ·Management intends to complete the intangible asset and use or sell it;
- ·There is an ability to use or sell the intangible asset;
- ·It can be demonstrated how the asset will generate probable future economic benefits;
- Adequate technical, financial and other resources to complete the development and to use or sell the intangible asset are available; and
- •The expenditure attributable to the intangible asset during its development can be reliably measured.

In the statement of financial position, the related capitalized costs are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Costs are capitalized during the application development stage and amortized on a straight line basis since the beginning of the production stage over the period of expected future economic benefits. During the development period, the asset is subjected to annual impairment tests to determine if impairment indications exists. The research and development costs that do not qualify for capitalization are recorded as expenses in the income of the period.

11. Inventories

The inventories of returned property are those assets that come from an early termination of a lease (returned property s) or those upon which the lease has already concluded (premises and equipment), which are expected to be sold in the normal course of business. These are controlled by the Bank and are expected to generate future economic benefits.

The inventory of returned property is recognized as an asset from the date in which the Bank assumes the risks and benefits of the inventories. The cost of it can be reliably measured and it is probable that it will generate future economic benefits.

The inventories of returned property are valued using the specific identification method and their costs include the carrying value at the time the asset is returned.

The carrying value of returned property is measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value (NRV). The net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less its estimated costs to make the sale. The adjustment in the carrying value to reflect the NVR, is recognized in the statement of income of the period in which the goods are returned. The value of any reversion that comes from an increase in the NVR in which the increase occurs is recognized as a lower expense in the period.

Other new inventories are measured initially at acquisition cost which comprises the sum of the purchase price, the import costs (if applicable), the non-recoverable taxes paid, the storage, the transport costs, and other attributable or necessary costs for their acquisition, less discounts, reductions or similar items. Those inventories do not include selling costs.

The Bank must review the NRV of its inventories, at least annually or whenever necessary by market conditions. Any write-down adjustment must be recognized directly in the statement of income.

### 12. Assets held for sale and discontinued operations

A non-current asset or a disposal group of assets are classified as held for sale if their carrying value will be recovered through a sale transaction, rather than through continuing use. These assets or groups of assets are shown separately in the statement of financial position at the lower of their carrying value and their fair value less costs to sell and they are not depreciated nor amortized from the date of their classification.

The held for sale condition is met if the assets or group of assets are available, in their current condition, for immediate sale and the sale transaction is highly probable and is expected to be completed within the year following the date of classification.

The Bank perform the measurement of the assets held for sale at the statement of financial position date. However these assets are evaluated quarterly if exist impairment indicators that imply review of the carrying value recorded in the accounts. If those indications are identified, impairment losses are recognized for the difference between the carrying and recoverable amount of an asset as 'Impairment, depreciation and amortization' in the statement of income.

A discontinued operation is a component of an entity that has been disposed of, or is classified as held for sale and, represents a separate major line of business or a geographical area of operations, is part of a single coordinated and individual plan to dispose a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations or is a subsidiary acquired exclusively with a view to resale.

Income and expenses coming from a discontinued operation must be disclosed separately from those coming from continued operations, in a single item after the income tax, in the consolidated statement of income of the current period and comparatively with previous period even though the Bank retains a non-controlling interest in the subsidiary after the sale.

# 13. Impairment of non-financial assets, cash-generating units and goodwill

The Bank evaluates whether there is any indication that on a stand-alone basis, cash-generating units are impaired at the end of each period. If some indication of impairment does exist, the Bank estimates the recoverable amount of the assets and the loss by impairment. Regardless of whether impairment indicators exist, goodwill must be tested annually for impairment.

If an asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from the rest of the assets or group of assets, the recoverable amount is determined by the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

A cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that generates cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

The amount of impairment losses recognized in net income during the period are included in the Statement of income as "Impairment, depreciation and amortization"

14. Other assets

The bank presents as other assets, among other things, (a) the expenses paid in advance incurred in the development of its business, in order to receive future services, which are amortized during the period in which services are received or the costs or expenses are recorded and (b) foreclosed assets that do not comply with what is required to be recognized as assets held for sale and that there are no plans to use it in the supply of services or for administrative purposes.

Foreclosed assets are initially recognized at the lower of net amount of the charge-off financial assets and net realizable value of the foreclosed asset (the net realizable value will be the estimated selling price of the asset or its awarding value, less the estimated costs necessary to carry out its sale), pending the obtaining of a plan for its commercialization. For this group of assets, it is evidence of impairment that they remain in the statement of financial position for a period greater than one year from their reception date without obtaining a buyer, despite permanently seeking their realization, even adjusting their selling price.

Foreclosed assets are subsequently assessed to determine whether an impairment lost must be recognized. In the case of arising events that are beyond the control of the Bank and that make remote the realization of these assets, they are identified as "non-tradable" and a completely impairment is carried out

15. Employee benefits

### 15.1 Short term benefits

The Bank grants to its employee's short term benefits such as bonuses, salaries, accrued performance costs and social security that are expected to be wholly settled within 12 months. Expenses related to these benefits are recognized over the period in which the employees provide the services to which the payments relate.

#### 15.2 Other long term employee benefits

The Bank grants to its employees seniority bonuses as long term employee benefits whose payment is not expected within the 12 months following the end of the annual period in which the employees have rendered their services. These benefits are projected up to the date of payment and are discounted through the Projected Unit Credit method. The cost of long term employee benefits is allocated across the period from the time the employee was hired the Bank and the expected date of obtaining the benefit.

### 15.3 Pensions and other post-employment benefits

-Defined contribution plans

The Bank pays contribution monthly to pension funds, due to legal requirements and it will have no legal obligation to pay further contributions.

The Bank recognizes contributions in the statement of income. Any contributions unpaid at the statement of financial position date are included as a liability.

### -Defined benefit plans

They are post-employment benefit plans in which the Bank has the legal or implicit obligation to take responsibility for the payments of benefits that have agreed. The Bank makes an actuarial valuation on the base of the projected unit credit method and a risk-free rate which reflects current market assessments of the time value of money in each country.

### 16. Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets

Provisions are recorded when the Bank has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are determined by the management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period and it is discounted using a risk-free rate which reflects current market assessments of the time value of money in each country, treasury bonds (TES)<sup>1</sup> for Colombia. The corresponding expense of any provision is recorded in the statement of income, net of all expected reimbursement. The increase of the provision due to the time value of money is recognized as a financial expense.

The amounts recognized in the statement of income, correspond mainly to:

- -Provisions for loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts; and
- -Provisions for legal proceedings, classified as probable to be decided against the Bank.

Possible obligations that arise from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events, not wholly within the control of the Bank, or a present obligation that arise from past events but are not recognized because it is not probable, that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligations or the amount of the obligations cannot be measured with sufficient reliability are not recognized in the financial statement but instead are disclosed as contingent liabilities, unless the possibility of an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits is remote, in which case no disclosure is required.

Possible assets that arise from past events whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events, not wholly within the control of the Bank, are not recognized in the financial statement; instead are disclosed as contingent assets where an inflow of economic benefits is probable. When the realization of income is virtually certain, then the related asset is not a contingent asset and its recognition is appropriate.

<sup>1</sup> It refers to the interest rate of treasury bonds (TES), representative of the nation's public debt.

# 17. Customer loyalty program

The Bank maintains a credit card loyalty program to provide incentives to its customers. The program allows customers to purchase goods and services, based on the exchange of awards points, which are awarded based on purchases using the Bank's credit cards and the fulfillment of certain conditions established in such program. Points redemption for prizes is carried out by a third party. According to IFRIC 13, the expenses of the Bank's commitments with its clients arising from this program are recognized as a lower value of the fee and other service income, considering the total number of points that can be redeemed over the accumulated prizes and taking into account the probability of redemptions.

#### 18.

#### **Revenue recognition**

Revenue is recognized to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits flow to the Bank and that the revenue can be measured reliably.

#### 18.1.

#### **Interest income and expenses**

For all financial instruments measured at amortized cost, interest income and interest expenses are recognized using the effective interest rate. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts future estimated cash flows payments through the expected life of the financial instrument or, when appropriate, a shorter period to the net carrying value of the financial liability or asset. The computation takes into account all the contractual conditions of the financial instrument (for example, prepayment options) and includes incremental fees or expenses that are directly attributed to the instrument and are an integral part of the Effective Interest Rate (EIR), but not future credit losses.

For debt securities at fair value, gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are included in the statement of income as 'Interest and valuation on investments'

#### 18.2. Fees and commission income

The Bancolombia Group charges fees for the services it provides to its customers. Fee income can be divided into the following three categories:

Income from fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate of a financial instrument:

Commissions for loan commitments that have a high probability of being used are deferred (together with any incremental cost) via the effective interest rate once the loan is granted (in accordance with section 18.1). If the commitment expires and no loan is made, the fee is recognized as income at the time of termination.

The opening fees received for the issuance of a financial liability measured at amortized cost are included in the effective interest rate of the financial instrument and its recognition as income is generated during the estimated life of the asset.

#### Commissions obtained from the services that are provided during a certain period of time:

Fees accrued for the transference of services during a period of time. The payments include income from commissions and asset management, custody and other administration and advisory commissions. In loan commitments when it is not possible to demonstrate the probability that a loan will be used, the opening fees of the loan are recognized in income statement during the commitment period on a straight line basis.

### Fee and commission recognized on the performance of a significant act:

Fees arising from the negotiation or participation in the negotiation of a transaction for a third party, such as the acquisition of shares or other securities or the purchase or sale of businesses, are recognized at the closing of the underlying transaction. Commissions or fee components that are linked to a specified performance are recognized after the corresponding criteria are met.

#### 18.3. Dividend revenue

For the investments that are not associates or joint ventures, dividends are recognized when the right to payment of the Bank is established, which is generally when the stockholders declares the dividend. These are included in the statement of income as Dividends received and share of profits of equity method investees.

#### 18.4. Total operating income, net

The income derived from commercial operations (*trading*) includes all profits and losses from variations in the fair value and revenue or expenses for related interests from financial liabilities or assets. This includes any ineffectiveness registered in the hedging transactions.

19. Income tax

The Bank recognizes, when appropriate, deferred tax assets and liabilities by the future estimate of tax effects attributable to differences between book values of assets, liabilities and their tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured based on the tax rate that, in accordance with the valid tax laws in each country where The Bank has operations, must be applied in the year in which the deferred tax assets and liabilities are realized or settled. The future effects of changes in tax laws or tax rates are recognized in the deferred taxes as from the date of publication of the law providing for such changes.

Tax bases for deferred tax must be calculated by factoring in the definition of IAS 12 and the value of the assets and liabilities that will be realized or settled in the future according to the valid tax laws of each of the countries where the Bank has operations.

Deferred tax liabilities due to deductible temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiary and associated entities or shares in joint ventures, are recognized except when the Bank is able to control the period in which the deductible temporary difference is reverted. Furthermore, it is likely that it will not be reverted in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets, identified with temporary differences, are only recognized if it is considered likely that The Bank is going to have sufficient taxable income in the future that allow it to be recovered.

Tax credit from fiscal losses and surplus amounts from the presumptive income on the net income are recognized as a deferred asset, provided that it is likely that The Bank is going to generate future net income to allow their offset.

The deferred tax is recorded as debit or credit according to the result of each of the companies that form The Bank and for the purpose of disclosure on the Statement of Financial Position it is disclosed as net.

The income tax expense is recognized on the consolidated income statement under the heading Income Tax, except when referring to amounts directly recognized in the OCI (Other Comprehensive Income).

Regulatory changes in tax laws and in tax rates are recognized in the consolidated income statement under the Income Tax heading in the period when such rule becomes enforceable. Interest and fines are recognized on the consolidated income statement under the overhead and administrative expenses heading.

The Bank periodically assesses the tax positions adopted in tax returns and according to the results of the tax audits held by the control entity determines possible tax eventualities provided it has a present obligation and it is likely that The Bank must part with economic resources to cancel the obligation, for which purpose there must be a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation. The recorded sums are based on the estimated fair amount that is expected to cover the amount expected to be paid in the future.

Revisions of tax returns must be documented, as well as any uncertain tax positions that are taken in them.

### **Transfer prices policy**

The Bank recognizes operations with economic links applying the Arm's Length Principle. These operations are documented and reported to the tax administration.

#### 20.

## **Operating segments**

Operating segments are defined as components of the Bank for which separate financial information is available that is regularly used by the chief operating decision maker in deciding how to allocate resources and assessing performance.

The Bank manages and measures the performance of its operations through the operating segments using the same accounting policies described in the summary of significant accounting policies described in Note 2.

# 21.

## Earnings per share

The basic earnings per share are calculated by dividing net income attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Parent Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period.

To calculate diluted earnings per share, the net income attributable to ordinary equity holders, and the weighted average number of outsanding shares is adjusted by the dilutive effects inherent to potential ordinary shares.

22. Paid-in capital

Corresponds to the greater amount paid by the shareholders on the nominal value of the share.

## **NOTE 3. OPERATING SEGMENTS**

Operating segments are defined as components of an entity about which separate financial information is available and that is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision maker (CODM) in deciding how to allocate resources and assessing performance. The segment information has been prepared following the Bank's accounting policies as described in the summary of significant accounting policies in Note 2 Significant accounting policies and has been presented consistently with the internal reports provided to the CODM.

The CODM uses a variety of information and key financial data on a segment basis to assess the performance and make decision regarding the investment and allocation of resources, such as:

- Net interest margin (Net margin on financial instruments divided by average interest-earning assets).

  Return on average total assets (Net income divided by average total assets).

  Return on average stockholders' equity.
- Efficiency ratio (Operating expenses as a percentage of interest, fees, services and other operating income).

  Asset Quality and loans coverage ratios.

The Bank includes the following segments: Banking Colombia, Banking Panama, Banking El Salvador, Banking Guatemala, Trust, Investment Banking, Brokerage, Off Shore and All other segments. The factors used to identify the Bank's reportable segments are the nature of the products and services provided by the subsidiaries and the geographical locations where the subsidiaries are domiciled, in line with the CODM's operating decisions related to the results of each segment.

The Bank's operating segments are comprised as follows:

# **Banking Colombia**

This segment provides retail and corporate banking products and services to individuals, companies and national and local governments in Colombia. The Bank's strategy in Colombia is to grow with these clients based on value added and long-term relationships. In order to offer specialized services to individuals and small and medium size enterprises (SMEs), the Bank's retail sales force targets the clients classified as: Personal, Private, Entrepreneurs, Foreign Residents and SMEs. The Bank's corporate and government sales force targets and specializes in companies with more than COP 16,000 million in revenue in nine economic sectors: Agribusiness, Commerce, Manufacturing of Supplies and Materials, Media, Financial Services, Non-Financial Services, Construction, Government and Natural Resources.

Tuya S.A. was discontinued in the year ending as of December 31, 2016. The segment information reported on the next pages does not include any amounts for that discontinued operation, which is described in more detail in note 30 discounted operations

This segment is also responsible for the management of the Bank's proprietary trading activities, liquidity and distribution of treasury products and services to its client base in Colombia.

## Banking Panama

This segment provides retail and commercial banking products and services to individuals and companies in Panama through the Banistmo operation. This segment includes all the operations of Banistmo and its subsidiaries, which are managed and monitored by the CODM on a consolidated basis.

This segment is also responsible for the management of the Bank's proprietary trading activities, liquidity and distribution of treasury products and services to its client base in Panama.

## **Banking El Salvador**

This segment provides retail and commercial banking products and services to individuals, companies and national and local governments in El Salvador through Banco Agrícola S.A. Banking El Salvador also includes operations of the following subsidiaries: Arrendadora Financiera S.A., Credibac S.A. de CV, Valores Banagricola S.A. de C.V.

This segment is also responsible for the management of the Bank's proprietary trading activities, liquidity and distribution of treasury products and services to its client base in El Salvador.

## **Banking Guatemala**

This segment provides retail and commercial banking and insurance products and services to individuals, companies and national and local governments in Guatemala through Banco Agromercantil de Guatemala S.A. Banking Guatemala also includes operations of the following subsidiaries: Mercom Bank Ltd., Seguros Agromercantil S.A., Financiera Agromercantil S.A., Agrovalores S.A., Tarjeta Agromercantil S.A.

This segment is also responsible for the management of the Bank's proprietary trading activities, liquidity and distribution of treasury products and services to its client base in Guatemala.

Trust

This segment provides trust and asset management services to clients in Colombia and Peru through Fiduciaria Bancolombia and FiduPerú S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. The main products offered by this segment include money market accounts, mutual and pension funds, private equity funds, payment trust, custody services, and corporate trust.

Investment in FiduPerú S.A. is classified as Asset held for sale in Statement of Financial Position. For further information, see note 12 Assets held for sale and inventories.

**Investment banking** 

This segment provides corporate and project finance advisory, underwriting, capital markets services and private equity management through Banca de Inversión Bancolombia S.A. Its customers include private and publicly-held corporations as well as government institutions.

# Brokerage

This segment provides brokerage, investment advisory and private banking services to individuals and institutions through Valores Bancolombia S.A. Comisionista de Bolsa. It sells and distributes equities, futures, foreign currencies, fixed income securities, mutual funds and structured products.

## · Off Shore

This segment provides a complete line of offshore banking services to Colombian and foreign customers through Bancolombia Panamá S.A., Bancolombia Caymán S.A., and Bancolombia Puerto Rico International, Inc. It offers loans to private sector companies, trade financing, leases financing and financing for industrial projects, as well as a complete portfolio of cash management products, such as checking accounts, international collections and payments. Through these subsidiaries, the Bank also offers investment opportunities in U.S. dollars, savings and checking accounts, time deposits, and investment funds to its high net worth clients and private banking customers.

## All other segments

This segment provides financial and operational leases activities, including cross-border and international leasing services to clients in Colombia, Central America, Mexico and Brazil. Bancolombia offers these services mainly through the following Subsidiaries: Renting Colombia S.A.S., Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C., Transportempo S.A.S. and Capital Investment Safi S.A. This segment also includes results from small operation of particular investment vehicles of Bancolombia: Valores Simesa S.A., BIBA Inmobiliaria S.A.S., Inversiones CFNS S.A.S., Sistema de Inversiones y Negocios S.A. Sinesa, Banagrícola S.A., Inversiones Financieras Banco Agrícola and others.

The investment in Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C. and Capital Investment Safi S.A. are classified as Asset held for sale in Statement of Financial Position. For further information, see note 12 Assets held for sale and inventories.

# Financial performance by operating segment:

The CODM reviews the performance of the Bank using the following financial information by operating segment:

	-	Banking Panama	December 31 Banking El Salvador	•	Trust	Investment banking <sup>(1)</sup>	i <sup>t</sup> Brokerage	èOff shore	All other segments	Total befo
Total interest and valuation Interest	12,984,301	1,495,446	882,806	865,038	794	94	8,916	444,649	10,201	16,692,245
income on loans and financial leases	12,576,159	1,374,398	3830,050	767,986	-	-	-	412,418	13,000	15,974,011
Total Debt	602,304	93,154	31,582	100,193	193	94	15,147	16,329	735	859,731
investments Derivatives Total		438	-	-	-	-	(7,661)		(289)	(55,583)
liquidity operations	(140,006)	27,456	21,174	(3,141)	601	-	1,430	9,817	(3,245)	(85,914)
Interest expenses	(4,791,976)	)(523,312)	(256,994)	(348,726)	(102)	-	(72)	(226,304)	(85,928)	(6,233,414
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments before impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit instruments Total credit	8,192,325			516,312	692	94	8,844	,		10,458,831
impairment charges, net	(3,196,065)	)(46,468)	(110,018)	(125,877)	(549)	466	(147)	6,541	1,696	(3,470,421)
Net interest margin and	4,996,260	925,666	515,794	390,435	143	560	8,697	224,886	(74,031)	6,988,410

valuation income on financial instruments after impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit instruments Revenues (Expenses)	I									
from transactions with other operating segments of the Bank	(59,884)	(26,837)	(963)	(972)	(33,024)	16,209	53,075	101,327	(48,931)	-
Total fees and commission income, net	1,588,246	205,645	170,834	101,565	283,666	28,695	96,703	16,270	12,569	2,504,193
Other operating income Dividends received, and	673,850	7,784	(6,405)	54,246	13,560	1,886	(11,647)	5,280	874,126	1,612,680
share of profits of equity method	(53,141)	7,038	324	608	18,249	(70,114)	12,278	(239,328)	(61,156)	(385,242)
investees Joint venture impairment <b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-	(173,339)	-	-	-	(173,339)
operating	7,145,331	1,119,296	6679,584	545,882	282,594	(196,103)	159,106	108,435	702,577	10,546,702
income, net Operating expenses (3) Impairment,	(4,717,591)	(569,219)	(383,002)	(343,646)	(113,482)	)(34,100)	(101,255)	(56,593)	(430,212)	(6,749,100
depreciation and amortization	(147,034)	(55,197)	(34,671)	(101,392)	(540)	(133)	(1,398)	(967)	(137,377)	(478,709)
Total operating expenses	(4,864,625)	(624,416)	(417,673)	(445,038)	(114,022)	(34,233)	(102,653)	(57,560)	(567,589)	(7,227,809
Profit before tax	2,280,706	494,880	261,911	100,844	168,572	(230,336)	56,453	50,875	134,988	3,318,893

- Includes imparment recognition in joint venture Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A.For more information see Note 7 Investments in associates and joint ventures
- Includes provisions, dividends, gains on sales and non-controlling interest and reclassification according to the analysis process used by the CODM.
- (3) Includes staff costs, other administration and general expenses, contributions and other tax burdens and others.

	Banking	Banking Panama	December 31 Banking El Salvador	Banking	Trust	Investment banking	Brokerage	Off shore	All other segments	Total befor elimination
Total interest and valuation Interest	11,586,785	1,399,852	901,757	869,329	827	136	17,160	442,107	30,299	15,248,252
income on loans and financial leases	11,196,951	1,284,986	844,687	763,031	-	-	-	431,381	25,819	14,546,855
Total Debt	464,504	94,284	48,264	96,081	283	136	18,094	16,205	3,145	740,996
investments Derivatives Total	(10,197)	3,274	-	5,323	-	-	(2,113)	(7)	(1,030)	(4,750)
liquidity operations <b>Interest</b>	(64,473)	17,308	8,806	4,894	544	-	1,179	(5,472)	2,365	(34,849)
expenses Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments	(4,542,701)	(457,611)	(252,011)	(348,219)	(20)	-	(33)	(252,030)	(99,991)	(5,952,616)
before impairment on loans and financial leases and off balance sheet credit instruments  Total credit		942,241	649,746	521,110	807	136	17,127	190,077	(69,692)	9,295,636
	(1,797,848)	(367,781)	(55,985)	(127,839)	(164)	(423)	(25)	(52,294)	871	(2,401,488)
Net interest margin and valuation income on financial instruments after impairment on loans and financial		574,460	593,761	393,271	643	(287)	17,102	137,783	(68,821)	6,894,148

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leases and off balance sheet credit instruments Revenues (Expenses) from transactions with other operating segments of the Bank		(20,600)	(3,054)	701	(22,893)	) 12,891	38,677	99,914	(39,721)	-
Total fees and commission income, net	1,269,298	180,286	158,262	58,745	238,745	19,821	80,060	27,502	13,724	2,046,443
Other operating income Dividends received, and	603,860	18,828	1,302	55,942	13,500	2,285	(9,923)	15,961	874,978	1,576,733
share of profits of equity method investees	(264,715)	4,692	711	779	16,873	202,062	32,567	(269,096)	(175,595)	(451,722)
Total operating	6,788,764	757,666	750,982	509,438	246.868	236,772	158,483	12,064	604,565	10,065,602
income, net	-,, ·	,	. 2 0,2 02	- 02 9 - 20	,			- <b>-</b> , · ·		- 5,0 02,002
Operating expenses <sup>(2)</sup> Impairment,	(4,150,984)	) (589,535)	(390,309)	(323,001)	(87,951)	)(26,662)	(110,317)	(60,688)	(400,243)	(6,139,690)
depreciation and amortization	(147,201)	(62,459)	(50,323)	(112,429)	(612)	(93)	(1,980)	(972)	(137,672)	(513,801)
Total operating expenses	(4,298,245)	) (651,994)	(440,632)	(435,430)	(88,563)	)(26,755)	(112,297)	(61,660)	(537,915)	(6,653,491)
Profit before tax	2,490,519	105,672	310,350	74,008	158,305	210,017	46,186	(49,596)	66,650	3,412,111

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes provisions, dividends, gains on sales and non-controlling interest and reclassification according to the analysis process used by the CODM.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes staff costs, other administration and general expenses, contributions and other tax burdens and others.

]	For the year er	nded Decem	nber 31, 20	015							
		Banking Colombia		Banking El Salvador	Trust	Investment banking	Brokerage	Off shore	All other segments	<b>Total before eliminations</b>	•
	n millions of (										
٠	Total interest and valuation	8,992,368	1,119,540	728,582	626	287	21,157	291,249	112,858	11,266,667	2,977
C	nterest income on loans and inancial leases	8,785,739	1,041,780	706,582	-	-	-	310,077	109,062	10,953,240	-
	Total Debt nvestments	249,459	64,466	19,747	185	287	14,999	15,502	1,425	366,070	-
		50,362	2,704	-	-	-	5,161	(26,392)	-	31,835	-
	Total liquidity operations	(93,192)	10,590	2,253	441	-	997	(7,938)	2,371	(84,478)	2,977
	Interest expenses	(3,192,822)	(363,373)	(187,743)	(367)	(236)	(652)	(215,592)	(77,156)	(4,037,941)	-
i i f i i l f l	oans and inancial eases and off oalance sheet credit	5,799,546	756,167	540,839	259	51	20,505	75,657	35,702	7,228,726	2,977
	nstruments Fotal credit impairment charges, net Net interest margin and valuation ncome on inancial nstruments	(1,509,519)	(82,344)	(26,933)	(3,204)	127	(177)	(49,830)	(3,219)	(1,675,099)	(2)
i l f l	ftor	4,290,027	673,823	513,906	(2,945)	178	20,328	25,827	32,483	5,553,627	2,975

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Revenues (Expenses) from transactions	(68,915)	(6,098)	(8,475)	(21,833	)2,355	31,734	95,495	(24,263)	-	_
with other operating segments of the Bank Total fees and										
commission income, net Other	1,347,999	136,372	140,398	218,190	29,327	78,124	32,325	10,334	1,993,069	(25)
operating income Dividends received, and	483,556	104,448	24	16,507	2,080	(6,325)	16,281	772,959	1,389,530	(16,828)
share of profits of equity method investees <b>Total</b>	(40,115)	69,127	1,716	13,573	40,018	(1,473)	(141,261)	(159,583)	(217,998)	429,572
operating income, net	6,012,552	977,672	647,569	223,492	2 73,958	122,388	28,667	631,930	8,718,228	415,694
Operating expenses (2) Impairment,	(3,836,019)	)(606,582)	(330,362)	(85,918	)(22,635)	(111,255)	(73,425)	(354,811)	(5,421,007)	5
depreciation and amortization <sup>(3)</sup>	(247,446)	(49,590)	(27,761)	(466)	(93)	(1,274)	(17,254)	(133,401)	(477,285)	-
Total operating expenses	(4,083,465)	(656,172)	(358,123)	(86,384)	)(22,728)	(112,529)	(90,679)	(488,212)	(5,898,292)	5
Profit before	1,929,087	321,500	289,446	137,108	3 51,230	9,859	(62,012)	143,718	2,819,936	415,699

Includes provisions, dividends, gains on sales and non-controlling interest and reclassification according to the analysis process used by the CODM.

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<sup>(2)</sup> Includes staff costs, administration and general expenses, contributions and other tax burdens and others.

The Bank inadvertently inverted the label of the amounts reported for Operating Expenses and Depreciation and Amortization in 2015. There was no impact in total operating expenses or profit before tax.

The following table presents financial information of the total assets and liabilities by operating segment:

# For the year ended December 31, 2017

## In millions of COP

	Banking Colombia	Banking Panama	Banking El Salvador	Banking Guatemala	Trust	Investment banking	Brokerage	Off shore	All other segments	
Total assets	142,207,844	28,119,504	12,978,363	12,191,869	493,078	1,423,883	283,171	16,503,973	8,767,762	222
Total liabilities	(125,534,492)	(25,040,470)	(11,318,266)	(10,847,895)	(80,904)	(48,192)	(56,789)	(12,284,687)	(2,300,511)	(18

# For the year ended December 31, 2016

## In millions of COP

	Banking Colombia	Banking Panama	Banking El Salvador	Banking Guatemala	Trust	Investment banking	<sup>t</sup> Brokerage	Off shore	All other segments	Tota elim
Total assets	133,756,071	27,224,292	12,967,451	11,795,358	412,350	1,462,616	289,563	18,169,041	8,392,706	214,
Total liabilities	(117,840,080)	(24,525,160)	(11,278,967)	(10,477,427)	)(74,729)	(119,090)	(51,937)	(14,462,907	)(2,145,663)	)(180

The following table presents financial information of the investments in associates and joint ventures by operating segment:

# For the year ended December 31, 2017<sup>(1)</sup>

	Banking Colombia	Banking El Salvador	l Trust	Investment banking	tAll other segments	Total
In millions of COP						
Investments in associates and joint ventures	305,187	10,532	226,761	248,156	774,423	1,565,059
Equity method	45,976	316	34,921	21,724	150,665	253,602

As of December 31, 2017, Banking Panama, Banking Guatemala, Brokerage and off shore did not have investments in associates and joint ventures.

## For the year ended December 31, 2016<sup>(1)</sup>

	Banking	Banking El	Truct	Investment All other banking segment		Total	
	Colombia	Salvador	TTUST	banking	segments	1 Otal	
In millions of COP							
Investments in associates and joint ventures	284,516	9,888	208,963	361,079	433,800	1,298,246	
Equity method	34,425	702	26,128	(3,923)	2,922	60,254	

<sup>(1)</sup> As of December 31, 2016, Banking Panama, Banking Guatemala, Brokerage and off shore did not have investments in associates and joint ventures.

For additional information related to investment in associates and joint ventures, see Note 7 Investments in associates and joint ventures.

The following table presents material non-cash items other than depreciation and amortization by segment:

#### For the year ended December 31, 2017

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	Banking Colombia	Banking Panamá	Banking El Salvador	Banking Guatemala	Trust	Investment Banking	Brokerage	Off shore	All other segments	Total
In millions of	COP									
Restructured	163,274	39,486	16,191	7,157	-	-	-	-	24,030	250,138
loans that										
were										
transferred to										

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assets

**Provisions** 3,422,531 165,651 162,877 138,297 548 (467) 147 (4,449)(5,576) 3,879,559

For the year ended December 31, 2016

	Banking	Banking	Banking E	l Banking	Типа	Investment Banking	t Duolzanaga	Off	All other	Total
	Colombia	Panamá	Salvador	Guatemala	Trus	t Banking	Drokerage	shore	segments	Total
In millions o	f COP									
Restructured	d									
loans that										
were	120 902	44,484	35,466	95,891					97.452	404,185
transferred	130,892	44,404	33,400	93,091	-	-	-	-	91,432	404,163
to foreclosed										
assets										
<b>Provisions</b>	2,130,261	381,531	104,864	127,370	164	423	(34)	48,977	75,565	2,799,121

## For the year ended December 31, 2015

,	Banking Colombia	Banking Panama	Banking El Salvador	Trust	Off shore	All other segments	Total
In millions of COP							
Restructured loans that were transferred to foreclosed assets	97,456	8,102	18,819	-	-	60,665	185,042
Provisions	1,921,873	114,425	65,037	3,241	67,347	8,536	2,180,459

## Information about products and services

The Bank does not report revenues from external customers for each product and service or each group of similar products and services, because the information is not available and the cost to develop it is excessive.

## **Geographic information**

The following summarizes the Bank's total interest and valuation and long-lived assets attributable to Colombia and other foreign countries based on the country where the interest and valuation was originated:

	As of Decen	nber 31,			
Caagraphia	2017		2016		2015
Geographic information	Interest and	l Long-lived	l Interest and	l Long-lived	l Interest and
mormation	valuation	assets(1)	valuation	assets (1)	valuation
	In millions	of COP			
Colombia	13,108,005	4,353,782	11,695,937	4,180,137	9,335,345
Panama	1,986,741	297,832	1,898,058	414,451	1,470,692
Puerto Rico	68,556	388	56,519	551	43,672
Peru <sup>(2)</sup>	658	115,840	15,753	112,209	19,810
El Salvador	883,538	280,562	902,371	397,065	729,258
Costa Rica	-	80	-	99	-
Guatemala	866,049	166,662	870,283	259,072	-
Total	16,913,547	5,215,146	15,438,921	5,363,584	11,598,777
Eliminations and translation adjustment	(220,667)	5,999,471	309,884	6,075,268	(329,133)
Total, net	16,692,880	11,214,617	15,748,805	11,438,852	211,269,644

Included foreclosed assets presented within other assets in the statement of financial position, premises and equipment, Investment property and goodwill.

Investments in FiduPerú, Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C. and Capital Investment Safi S.A. are classified as Asset held for sale in Statement of Financial Position. For further information, see Note 12 Assets held for sale and inventories

#### NOTE 4. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

For purposes of the consolidated statement of cash flow and the consolidated statement of financial position, the following assets are considered as cash and cash equivalents:

	December 31, December 3		
	2017	2016	
In millions of COP			
Cash and balances at central bank			
Cash	5,099,252	5,501,532	
Due from central banks (1)	6,567,030	5,503,911	
Due from other private financial entities	3,541,644	4,908,886	
Checks on hold	141,370	102,525	
Remittances of domestic negotiated checks in transit	173,827	200,053	
Total cash and due from banks	15,523,123	16,216,907	
Money market transactions:			
Interbank assets	1,761,460	1,606,506	
Reverse repurchase agreements and other similar secured loans	881,061	2,636,832	
Total money market transactions:	2,642,521	4,243,338	
Total cash and cash equivalents	18,165,644	20,460,245	

Company must maintain the equivalent of 4,50% of its customer's deposits with a maturity term less than 18 months as a legal banking reserve, represented in deposits at the Central Bank or as cash in hand. In addition, according to Resolusion Number 177 of 2002 issued by the Guatemalian Monetary Board, Grupo Agromercantil Holding trhough its subsidiaria Banco Agromercantil de Guatemala must maintain the equivalent of 14.60% of its customer's deposits dayly balances as a legal banking reserve, represented in unrestricted deposits at the Bank of Guatemala. For its part, according to the norm of the banks Number 3-06 of 2000 issued by the Financial System Superintendency of El Salvador, Banco Agrícola must mantain an equivalent amount between 1.00% and 25.00% of its deposits and debt securities in issue average dayly balances as a liquidity reserve, represented in unrestricted deposits or debt securities issued by El Salvador Central Bank. Finally, according to Agreement 004 of 2008 issued by the Banks Superintendency of Panama, Bancolombia Panamá S.A. and Banistmo S.A., must mantain the equivalent of 30.00% of their deposits with a maturity term less than 180 days as a liquidity reserve, represented in liquid assets as deposit accounts, interbank borrowings, sovereign bonds, among others.

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, there is restricted cash amounting to COP 192,036 and COP 171,561, respectively, included in other assets on the statement of financial position, which represents margin deposits pledged as collateral for derivative contracts traded through clearing houses.

As of December 31, 2017, cash and cash equivalents held by FiduPerú S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria, Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C and Capital Investment SAFI S.A. amounting to COP 12,951, COP 6,092 and COP 29, respectively, were classified as assets held for sale. For further information see Note 12. Assets held for sale and inventories.

## NOTE 5. FINANCIAL ASSETS INVESTMENTS AND DERIVATIVES

## 5.1 Financial assets investments

The Bank's securities portfolios at fair value and at amortized cost are listed below, as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

The detail of the carrying value of the debt securities is as follows:

## As of December 31, 2017

Debt securities	Measurement method Fair value through profit or loss	0.0	Total carrying value
In millions of COP			
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	7,003,147	12,965	7,016,112
Securities issued by Foreign Governments	2,471,994	1,050,855	3,522,849
Securities issued by Government entities	36,038	1,926,554	1,962,592
Securities issued by other financial institutions	1,052,776	225,431	1,278,207
Corporate Bonds (1)	137,900	941,763	1,079,663
<b>Total debt securities</b>	10,701,855	4,157,568	14,859,423
Total equity securities			1,517,830
Total financial assets invesments			16,377,253

Debt securities classified as Corporate Bonds, increased by 104.75% between December 31, 2017 and 2016 due to the purchase of Alternegy S.A. bonds by Banistmo on December 21 of 2017, which have a carrying value of COP 446,047. Banistmo acted as joint arranger with Banco General and underwriters of the bonds issued by Alternergy for an amount of up to US\$320 million.

As of December 31, 2016

Debt securities Measurement methodology Total carrying
Amortized cost value

# Fair value through profit or loss

# In millions of COP

Securities issued by the Colombian Government	4,904,152	-	4,904,152
Securities issued by Foreign Governments	2,429,192	984,675	3,413,867
Securities issued by Government entities	11,904	1,532,784	1,544,688
Securities issued by other financial institutions	1,080,368	201,523	1,281,891
Corporate Bonds	111,946	415,937	527,883
Total debt securities	8,537,562	3,134,919	11,672,481
Total equity securities			1,388,172
Total financial assets invesments			13,060,653

The following tables set forth the debt securities portfolio by maturity:

# As of December 31, 2017

	Less than 1 year	Between 1 and 3 years	Between 3 and 5 years	Greater than 5 years	Total
In millions of COP					
Securities at fair value through profit or loss					
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	2,163,682	3,299,116	1,164,689	375,660	7,003,147
Securities issued by Foreign Governments	962,640	408,586	736,105	364,663	2,471,994
Securities issued by Government entities	11,134	14,825	6,946	3,133	36,038
Securities issued by other financial institutions	157,434	250,395	143,353	501,594	1,052,776
Corporate bonds	35,255	16,027	21,419	65,199	137,900
Subtotal	3,330,145	3,988,949	2,072,512	1,310,249	10,701,855
Securities at amortized cost					
Securities issued by the Colombia Government	-	12,965	-	-	12,965
Securities issued by Foreign Governments	241,944	184,454	415,229	209,228	1,050,855
Securities issued by Government entities	1,909,363	17,191	-	-	1,926,554
Securities issued by other financial institutions	117,075	68,166	40,190	-	225,431
Corporate bonds	26,668	15,945	148,684	750,466	941,763
Subtotal	2,295,050	298,721	604,103	959,694	4,157,568
Total debt securities	5,625,195	4,287,670	2,676,615	2,269,943	314,859,423

# As of December 31, 2016

	Less than 1 year	Between 1 and 3 years	Between 3 and 5 years	Greater than 5 years	Total
In millions of COP					
Securities at fair value through profit or loss					
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	1,719,326	1,883,790	981,208	319,828	4,904,152
Securities issued by Foreign Governments	925,499	532,628	192,947	778,118	2,429,192
Securities issued by Government entities	77	2,704	5,193	3,930	11,904
Securities issued by other financial institutions	172,571	135,157	87,153	685,487	1,080,368
Corporate bonds	15,818	8,069	15,968	72,091	111,946
Subtotal	2,833,291	2,562,348	1,282,469	1,859,454	18,537,562
Securities at amortized cost					
Securities issued by Foreign Governments	103,889	105,032	507,817	267,937	984,675
Securities issued by Government entities	1,523,571	9,213	-	-	1,532,784

Securities issued by other financial institutions	57,623	113,150	-	30,750	201,523
Corporate bonds	-	70,464	-	345,473	415,937
Subtotal	1,685,083	297,859	507,817	644,160	3,134,919
Total debt securities	4,518,374	2,860,207	1,790,286	2,503,614	11,672,481

For further information related to disclosures of the fair value of securities, please see Note 29 Fair value of assets and liabilities.

The following table shows the fair value of equity securities:

<b>Equity securities</b>	Carrying amount December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016			
In millions of COP				
Total of securities at fair value through profit or loss	988,455	895,425		
Total of securities at fair value through OCI	529,375	492,747		
Total equity securities	1,517,830	1,388,172		

The investment securities held by Capital Investment SAFI S.A. y FiduPerú S.A. were considered as assets held for sale at 2017, amounting to COP 1,345 y COP 1,141 respectively. In 2016, those investment securities are mesured at fair value through profit or loss. For further information, see Note 12 Assets held for sale and inventories.

The Bank has recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income COP 38,884 in 2017, COP 232,617 in 2016 and COP 137,323 in 2015 related to equity securities and trust funds at fair value through OCI. See consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

Equity securities that have been designated to be measured at fair value through OCI are considered strategic for the Bank and, thus, there is no intention to sell them in the foreseeable future and that is the main reason for using this presentation alternative.

The following table details the equity instruments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income analyzed by listing status:

<b>Equity securities</b>	Carrying amount December 31, 2017 December 3		
In millions of COP			
Securities at fair value through OCI:			
Equity securities listed in Colombia (1)	76,178	17,479	
Equity securities listed elsewhere	5,766	10,732	
Equity securities unlisted	447,431	464,536	
Total equity securities at fair value through OCI	529,375	492,747	

<sup>(1)</sup> Equity securities measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (OCI) and listed in Colombia, increased between December 31, 2017 and 2016 due to the merger between Bolsa de Valores

de Colombia (listed company) and Deceval (unlisted). The new investment in Bolsa de Valores de Colombia is classified as listed in Colombia.

During 2017 and 2016 no impairment loss was recognized on equity securities. Dividends received from equity investments at fair value through OCI held as of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015 amounted to COP 11,951, COP 9,317 and COP 9,605, respectively. See Note 24.5 Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees

Equity investments do not have a specific maturity date; therefore, they are not included in the maturity detail.

The detail of the securities pledged as collateral as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

# As of December 31, 2017

Pledged financial assets	Term	Security pledged	Carrying
In millions of COP			umoum
Investments pledged as collateral in repo open	rations		
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	Greater twelve months	TES - Fixed rate	1,744,736
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	Between six and twelve months	TES - Fixed rate	877,673
Subtotal investments pledged as collateral in	repo operations		2,622,409
Investments pledged as collateral in derivative	e operations		
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	Greater twelve months	TES - Fixed rate	78,688
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	Between six and twelve months	TES - Fixed rate	40,247
Subtotal investments pledged as collateral in o	derivative operations		118,935
Total securities pledged as collateral			2,741,344

# As of December 31, 2016

Pledged financial assets	Term	Security pledged	Carrying amount
In millions of COP			
Investments pledged as collateral in repo oper	rations		
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	Greater 12 months	TES-Fixed rate	783,688
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	Between 3 and 6 months	TES-Fixed rate	63,102
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	Between 6 and 12 months	TES-Fixed rate	3,212
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	Less than 3 months	TES-Fixed rate	68,648
Subtotal investments pledged as collateral in a	repo operations		918,650
Investments pledged as collateral in derivative	e operations		
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	Greater 12 months	TES-Fixed rate	147,221
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	Between 3 and 6 months	TES- Fixed rate	22,037
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	Between 6 and 12 months	TES-Fixed rate	2,263
Securities issued by the Colombian Government	Less than 3 months	TES-Fixed rate	47,285
Subtotal investments pledged as collateral in o	derivative operations		218,806
Total securities pledged as collateral			1,137,456

# **5.2 Derivative financial instruments**

The Bank derivative activities do not give rise to significant open positions in portfolios of derivatives. The Bank enters into derivative transactions to facilitate customer business, for hedging purposes and arbitrage activities, such as forwards, options or swaps where the underlying are exchange rates, interest rates and securities.

A swap agreement is a contract between two parties to exchange cash flows based on specified underlying notional amounts, assets and/or indices. Financial futures and forward settlement contracts are agreements to buy or sell a quantity of a financial instrument (including another derivative financial instrument), index, currency or commodity at a predetermined rate or price during a period or at a date in the future. Futures and option contracts are standardized agreements for future delivery, traded on exchanges that typically act as a platform.

For further information related to the objectives, policies and processes for managing the Bank's risk, please see Note 31 Risk Management.

The following table sets forth for the Bank's derivatives by type of risk as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

Derivatives	<b>December 31, 2017</b>	<b>December 31, 2016</b>
In Millions of COP		
Forwards		
Assets		
Foreign exchange contracts	172,310	313,566
Equity contracts	372	3,425
Subtotal Assets	172,682	316,991
Liabilities		
Foreign exchange contracts	(142,976)	(323,923)
Equity contracts	(4,470)	(3,110)
Subtotal Liabilities	(147,446)	(327,033)
Total Forwards	25,236	(10,042)
Swaps		
Assets		
Foreign exchange contracts	672,558	1,127,474
Interest rate contracts	274,137	186,208
Subtotal Assets	946,695	1,313,682
Liabilities		
Foreign exchange contracts	(505,823)	(749,082)
Interest rate contracts	(275,641)	(192,344)
Subtotal Liabilities	(781,464)	(941,426)
Total Swaps	165,231	372,256
Options		
Assets		
Foreign exchange contracts		47,297
Subtotal Assets	14,995	47,297
Liabilities		
Foreign exchange contracts		(42,961)
Subtotal Liabilities	(16,943)	(42,961)
<b>Total Options</b>	(1,948)	4,336
Futures		
Liabilities		
Equity contracts	-	(1,030)
Subtotal Liabilities	-	(1,030)
Total Futures	-	(1,030)
<b>Derivative Assets</b>	1,134,372	1,677,970
<b>Derivative Liabilities</b>	(945,853)	(1,312,450)
Total, net	188,519	365,520

The table below present the notional amounts of the derivatives contracts as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

Derivatives	<b>December 31, 2017</b>	<b>December 31, 2016</b>
In Millions of COP	,	,
Forwards		
Assets		
Foreign exchange contracts	11,618,005	14,466,226
Equity contracts	1,010,557	696,348
Subtotal Assets	12,628,562	15,162,574
Liabilities		
Foreign exchange contracts	(10,276,967)	(13,637,335)
Equity contracts	(1,796,020)	(676,226)
<b>Subtotal Liabilities</b>	(12,072,987)	(14,313,561)
<b>Total Forwards</b>	555,575	849,013
Swaps		
Assets		
Foreign exchange contracts	6,188,880	6,021,266
Interest rate contracts	16,315,701	15,109,435
<b>Subtotal Assets</b>	22,504,581	21,130,701
Liabilities		
Foreign exchange contracts	(4,163,466)	(3,614,135)
Interest rate contracts	(15,850,149)	(13,249,703)
Subtotal Liabilities	(20,013,615)	(16,863,838)
Total Swaps	2,490,966	4,266,863
Options		
Assets		
Foreign exchange contracts		1,186,605
<b>Subtotal Assets</b>	697,346	1,186,605
Liabilities		
Foreign exchange contracts		(1,171,719)
Subtotal Liabilities	(682,197)	(1,171,719)
<b>Total Options</b>	15,149	14,886
Futures		
Assets		
Foreign exchange contracts		3,078,756
Equity contracts		316,000
Subtotal Assets	3,947,783	3,394,756
Liabilities		
Equity contracts	-	(117,235)
Subtotal Liabilities	-	(117,235)
<b>Total Futures</b>	3,947,783	3,277,521
<b>Derivative Assets</b>	39,778,272	40,874,636
<b>Derivative Liabilities</b>	(32,768,799)	(32,466,353)
Total, net	7,009,473	8,408,283

The following table sets forth the remaining contractual life of the derivative portfolio:

# As of December 31, 2017

	Forwards	Swaps	Options	Futures	Total
In millions of COP					
Assets	172,682	946,695	14,995	-	1,134,372
Up to 1 year	170,299	240,690	14,229	-	425,218
From 1 to 3 years	2,383	339,934	766	-	343,083
Over 3 years	-	366,071	-	-	366,071
Liabilities	(147,446)	(781,464)	(16,943)	) -	(945,853)
Up to 1 year	(141, 326)	(135,749)	(15,836)	) –	(292,911)
From 1 to 3 years	(6,120)	(321,708)	(1,107)	-	(328,935)
Over 3 years	-	(324,007)	) –	-	(324,007)
Total	25,236	165,231	(1,948)	-	188,519

# As of December 31, 2016

	Forwards	Swaps	Options	Futures	Total
In millions of COP					
Assets	316,991	1,313,682	47,297	-	1,677,970
Up to 1 year	309,036	490,848	44,478	-	844,362
From 1 to 3 years	7,900	444,120	2,819	-	454,839
Over 3 years	55	378,714	-	-	378,769
Liabilities	(327,033)	(941,426)	(42,961)	(1,030)	(1,312,450)
Up to 1 year	(311,382)	(167,025)	(40,686)	(1,030)	(520,123)
From 1 to 3 years	(15,623)	(431,814)	(2,275)	-	(449,712)
Over 3 years	(28)	(342,587)	-	-	(342,615)
Total	(10,042)	372,256	4,336	(1,030)	365,520

## Collateral for derivatives

The table below presents the cash collateral amounts posted under derivatives contracts as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

In millions of COP

Collateral 264,700 343,334

## **Hedge accounting**

The Bank, through Banistmo, has entered into derivatives to manage its interest risk. Those derivatives are designated as hedging instruments to protect the Bank against changes in the fair value of Banistmo's position in debt securities issued by the Panamanian Government (fair value hedge). In order to protect against interest risk due to changes in cash flows related to Banistmo's portfolio of floating-rate deposits (cash flow hedge), Banistmo entered into cash flow hedge contracts until March 2016, when the hedging relationship was discontinued. The hedge effectiveness assessment is performed on a monthly basis consistently throughout the hedging relationship. For fair value hedges, the changes in value of the hedging derivative, as well as the changes in value of the related hedged item concerning to the risk hedged, are reflected in the statement of income in the line "Interest and valuation on investments".

#### Fair value hedging

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, Banistmo has designated 12 and 8 asset derivative contracts (Interest rate swaps), respectively, as fair value hedging instruments with maturity dates ranging from September 2019 to December 2027.

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, Banistmo has designated 5 and 6 liability derivative contracts (Interest rate swaps), respectively, as fair value hedging instruments with maturity dates ranging from September 2019 to April 2026. The notional amount and the fair value of those instruments are as follows:

## December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

#### In millions of COP

Notional amount	304,159	305,862
Fair value	(1,769)	(5,170)

## December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

#### In thousands of USD

Notional amount	101,930	101,930
Fair value	(593)	(1,723)

All fair value hedging instruments are included in the line "Derivative financial instruments" in the statement of financial position.

The following table sets forth the notional amount and fair value of the hedged item recognized in the statement of financial position as 'Financial assets investments', as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

## December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

#### In millions of COP

Notional amount	304,159	305,862
Fair value	341,229	340,511

## December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

## In thousands of USD

Notional amount	101,930	101,930
Fair value	114,353	113,477

The amount of hedge ineffectiveness of fair value hedges amounted to COP 3,094 COP 2,779 and COP (3,110) for the periods ended December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

The change in fair value of the hedging instrument used as the basis for recognising hedge ineffectiveness for the period ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 amounting to COP 2,614 and COP 3,493, respectively

#### Cash flow hedging

As of December 31, 2016 the Bank had reclassified from other comprehensive income to net income the net amount of COP (12,112) arising from the settlement of the derivative contract swap interest rate designated as cash flow hedge. As of December 31, 2015 the Bank had reclassified from other comprehensive income to net income the net amount of COP 6,378 in connection with the effective portion of the cash flow hedges.

Banistmo entered into cash flow hedge contracts until March 2016. The Bank has not carried out new cash flow hedge operations.

#### Net foreign investment

Exchange differences relating to the translation of the results and net assets of Banistmo operations from its functional currency (dollar) to the Bank's presentation currency (Colombian pesos) are recognized directly in other comprehensive income by the Parent Company. Gains and losses on debt securities in issue which were designated as hedging instruments for hedges of net investments in foreign operations are included in the foreign currency translation reserve. The adjustment recognized in other comprehensive income amounted to COP 36,762, COP 327,272 and COP (1,665,422), for the years ended at December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

#### **Offsetting of derivatives**

The Bank enters into International Swaps and Derivatives Association (ISDA) master netting agreements or similar agreements with substantially all of the Bank's derivative counterparties. Where legally enforceable, and depending on the Bank's intention, these master netting agreements give the Bank, in the event of default by the counterparty, the right to liquidate securities and cash equivalents held as collateral and to offset receivables and payables with the same counterparty.

The table below presents derivative instruments subject to enforceable master netting agreements and other similar agreements but not offset in the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 by derivative and by risk:

# As of December 31, 2017

	<b>Derivatives Asse</b>	ts Derivatives Liabilities
In millions of COP		
Over-the-counter		
Foreign exchange contracts		
Swaps	672,558	(505,823)
Forwards	172,310	(142,976)
Options	14,995	(16,943)
Interest rate contracts		
Swaps	274,137	(275,641)
<b>Equity contracts</b>		
Forwards	372	(4,470)
Gross derivative assets/liabilities	1,134,372	(945,853)
Offsetting of derivatives	-	-
Derivative financial instruments in statement of financial position	1,134,372	(945,853)
Master netting agreements	(894,863)	945,853
Cash collateral received/paid	(239,509)	-
Total derivative financial instruments assetss/ liabilities	-	-

	<b>Derivatives Asset</b>	ts Derivatives Liabilities
In millions of COP		
Over-the-counter		
Foreign exchange contracts		
Swaps	1,127,474	(749,082)
Forwards	313,566	(323,923)
Options	47,297	(42,961)
Interest rate contracts		
Swaps	186,208	(192,344)
<b>Equity contracts</b>		
Forwards	3,425	(3,110)
Futures	-	(1,030)
Gross derivative assets/liabilities	1,677,970	(1,312,450)
Offsetting of derivatives	-	-
Derivative financial instruments in statement of financial position	1,677,970	(1,312,450)
Master netting agreements	(1,221,565)	1,312,450
Cash collateral received/paid	(343,334)	-
Total derivative financial instruments assetss/liabilities	113,071	-

For further information about offsetting of other financial assets and liabilities see Note 15 Interbank deposits and repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing.

## NOTE 6. LOANS AND ADVANCES TO CUSTOMERS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, NET

#### Loans and financial leasing operating portfolio

The following is the composition of the loans and financial leasing operations portfolio as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

Composition	December 31, December 31,		
Composition	2017	2016	
In millions of COP			
Commercial (1)	88,997,241	86,259,708	
Consumer	27,646,114	23,925,279	
Mortgage	20,512,208	19,155,852	
Financial Leases	22,248,951	21,343,923	
Small Business Loans	1,063,580	1,062,724	
<b>Total gross loans and Financial Leases</b>	160,468,094	151,747,486	
<b>Total allowance</b>	(8,223,103)	(6,621,911)	
<b>Total Net Loans and financial leases</b>	152,244,991	145,125,575	

Includes loans to financial institutions amounting to COP 7,862,401 and COP 6,217,825 as of December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively.

For more details on the composition of the loans and financial leasing operations portfolio, see Note 31 Risk Management.

#### Allowance for loans losses

The following table sets forth the changes in the allowance for loans and advances and lease losses as of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015:

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Concept	Commercia	lConsumer	Mortgage	Financial Leases	Small business loans	Total
In millions of COP						
+Balance at beginning of period	3,499,791	1,791,123	653,936	567,046	110,015	6,621,911
+ Provisions for loan losses (1)	3,594,310	2,310,518	284,392	276,687	119,690	6,585,597
- Charges-off	(792,145)	(1,302,630)	(37,677)	(77,762)	(65,086)	(2,275,300)
- Recoveries (1)	(1,783,649)	(510,684)	(253,578)	(133,986)	(24,141)	(2,706,038)
+/- Translation adjustment	(4,127)	3,502	(1,972)	(583)	113	(3,067)
= Balance at end of year	4,514,180	2,291,829	645,101	631,402	140,591	8,223,103

The provision for loan losses, net COP 3,879,559 differs from the COP 3,468,699 presents in the line "Credit (1) impairment charges on loans and advances and financial leases, net" of the Consolidated Statement of Income, in the amount of COP 410,860 due to the recovery of charged-off loans.

#### As of December 31, 2016

Concept	Commercia	lConsumei	rMortgage	Financial Leases	Small business loans	Total
In millions of COP						
+Balance at beginning of period	2,694,965	1,321,281	572,772	579,151	80,586	5,248,755
+Allowance for loan of PA Leasing	_	-	-	27,825	-	27,825
+ Provisions for loan losses (1)	2,684,559	1,922,315	225,291	221,694	95,272	5,149,131
- Charges-off	(489,573)	(902,400)	(24,619)	(74,900)	(41,710)	(1,533,202)
- Recoveries (1)	(1,379,288)	(525,510)	(109,912)	(180,537)	(23,645)	(2,218,892)
+/- Translation adjustment	(10,872)	(24,563)	(9,596)	(6,187)	(488)	(51,706)
= Balance at end of year	3,499,791	1,791,123	653,936	567,046	110,015	6,621,911

The provision for loan losses, net COP 2,930,239 differs from the COP 2,643,710 presents in the line "Credit (1) impairment charges on loans and advances and financial leases, net" of the Consolidated Statement of Income, in the amount of COP 286,529 due to the recovery of charged-off loans.

The sale of Compañia de Financiamiento Tuya S.A took place on October 31, 2016. The amounts recognized until that date are presented in the line "Net income from discontinued operations" of the Statement of Income, the following table is the movement associated with this company:

Concept	<b>December 31, 2016</b>
+Balance at beginning of period	351,375
+ Provisions for loan losses (*)	465,947
- Charges-off	(228,757)
- Recoveries (*)	(147,668)
= Balance at end of year	440,897

The provision for loan losses net of COP 318,279 differs from the COP 323,290 presented in "Credit impairment (\*)charges on loans and advances and financial leases, net" in note 30. Discontinued operations, in the amount of COP 5,011 due to provision on off balance sheet credit exposures that is accounted for as a liability under IAS 37.

As of December 31, 2015

Concept Commercial Consumer Mortgage Financial Small Total
Leases business

loans In millions of COP +Balance at beginning of period 2,360,488 1,479,460 456,983 415,766 76,560 4,789,257 - Discontinued operations<sup>(1)</sup> (282,098) -(282,098)+ Provisions for loan losses (2) 2,671,337 697,282 145,663 498,092 47,880 4,060,254 - Charges-off (711,257)(629,628) (12,765) (31,723) (36,682) (1,422,055)- Recoveries(2) (1,709,293)(64,340)(63,632) (328,183)(9,947)(2,175,395)+/- Translation adjustment 46,523 25,199 278,792 83,690 120,605 2,775 = Balance at end of year 1,321,281 572,772 2,694,965 579,151 80,586 5,248,755

As of December 31, 2015, Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A. was considered as a discontinued operation, see Note 30 Discontinued Operation. In October 2016, this sale was completed.

The provision for loan losses, net COP 1,884,859 differs from the COP 1,667,680 presented in the line "Credit (2) impairment charges on loans and advances and financial leases, net" of the Consolidated Statement of Income in the amount of COP 217,179 due to the recovery of charged-off loans.

The changes in the allowance for loan losses for Tuya as of December 31, 2015 is as follows:

Concept	<b>December 31, 2015</b>
+Balance at beginning of period	282,098
+ Provisions for loan losses (*)	446,614
- Charges-off	(236,196)
- Recoveries (*)	(141,141)
= Balance at end of year	351,375

The provision for loan losses net of COP 305,473 differs from the COP 324,309 presented in "Credit impairment (\*)charges on loans and advances and financial leases, net" in note 30 discontinued operations, in the amount of COP 18,836 due to the expense of the contingent component of credit cards.

## **Leasing operations:**

#### Finance leases - lessor

The Bank has subscribed lease agreements as lessor. These leases arrangements involve machinery and equipment, computer equipment, automobile and furniture and fixtures and their terms range between one and twenty years, as follows:

Period	Gross investment in finance lease receivable	Present value of minimum payments
In millions of COP		
Within 1 year	759,852	526,604
Over 1 year, but less than 5 years	7,842,992	6,188,894
Over 5 years	22,212,438	15,533,453
Total gross investment in finance lease receivable/ present value of minimum payments	30,815,282	22,248,951
Less: Future financial income (1)	(8,566,331)	-
Present value of payments receivable	22,248,951	22,248,951
Minimum non-collectable payments impairment	(447,361)	(447,361)
Total	21,801,590	21,801,590

(1) Future financial income: Total Gross Investment - Total Present Value of minimum payments

## As of December 31, 2016

Period	Gross investment in finance lease receivable	Present value of minimum payments
In millions of COP		
Within 1 year	835,177	570,504
Over 1 year, but less than 5 years	8,597,818	6,667,322
Over 5 years	20,699,269	14,106,097
Total gross investment in finance lease receivable/ present value of minimum payments	30,132,264	21,343,923
Less: Future financial income (1)	(8,788,341)	-
Present value of payments receivable	21,343,923	21,343,923
Minimum non-collectable payments impairment	(518,992)	(518,992)
Total	20,824,931	20,824,931

## Unsecured residual value (\*)

The following table sets the unsecured residual values by type of asset as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

Type of asset	<b>December 31, 2017</b>	<b>December 31, 2016</b>
In millions of COP		
Automobile	26,841	4,264
Technology	20,921	19,061
Machinery and equipment	8,627	41,244
Furniture and fixtures	62	45
Total	56,451	64,614

<sup>(\*)</sup> The unsecured residual value is the part of the residual value of the leased asset, whose realization is not secured or is secured by a third party related to the lessor.

## **Operating leases - lessor**

<sup>(1)</sup> Future financial income: Total Gross Investment - Total Present Value of minimum payments

Certain of the Bank's subsidiaries leases assets to third parties under non-cancelable leases arrangements. Assets provided through operating leases are recorded as property, plant and equipment. The terms established for these agreements range from one to ten years.

The following table presents the information of minimum payments by lease to be received:

## December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

Total	1,226,026	1,102,687
Over 5 years	154,996	138,769
Over 1 year, but less than 5 years	960,037	823,035
Within 1 year	110,993	140,883
In millions of COP		

#### NOTE 7. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES AND JOINT VENTURES

The following table presents information regarding the Bank's investments in associates and joint ventures:

Composition	<b>December 31, 2017</b>	<b>December 31, 2016</b>
In millions of COP		
Investments in associates (1)	1,327,610	940,364
Investments in Joint ventures	237,449	357,882
Total	1,565,059	1,298,246

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the amount includes investments in associates at fair value for COP 757,886 (1) and COP 434,318, respectively and investments in associates at equity value COP 569,724 and COP 506,046 respectively. See note 29 Fair value of assets and liabilities.

The following are the investments in associates that the Bank holds as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

## As of December 31, 2017

## **Investments in Associates**

Company Name	Main activity	Country	% of Ownership interest	Included in earnings (1)	Total OCI (2)	OCI (Equity method)	OCI (CTA) <sup>(4)</sup>	Carrying amount
In millions of COP								
PA Viva Malls	Development and operation of commercial spaces Administration of		149.00% <sup>(5)</sup>	144,146	-	-	-	757,886
Protección S.A.	pension funds and severances	Colombia	120.58%	72,576	12,465	1,236	-	471,312
Titularizadora Colombiana S.A. Hitos*	Mortgage portfolio securities	Colombia	126.98%	3,305	(1,389)	(768)	-	35,346
Redeban Multicolor S.A.*	Network data transmission services	Colombia	120.36%	1,906	(651)	-	-	17,951
Internacional Ejecutiva de Aviación S.A.S. *	aAircraft and aircraft travel Construction of	Colombia	133.33%	1,071	209	-	-	10,707
Concesiones CCFC S.A.	public works through an awarding system	Colombia	25.50%	6,756	(756)	(3)	-	9,383
ACH Colombia S.A. *	SCI VICCS	Colombia	19.94%	3,109	(952)	-	-	7,338
Reintegra S.A.S. *	Collections and recovery of portfolio	Colombia	46.00%	1,471	1,742	(1,754)	-	7,155
Servicio Salvadoreño de Protección, S. A. de C.V. *		El Salvador	24.40%	418	(727)	238	153	6,219
Servicios Financieros, S.A. de C.V. *	financial transactions and electronic payment methods	El Salvador	46.72%	(226)	9	-	(5)	3,302
ACH de El Salvador, S. A. de C.V. *	Electronic transfer services	El Salvador	24.40%	123	6	-	(1)	1,011

Net investments in as	sociates			239,333	(3,038)	$(11,547)^{(7)}$	980	1,327,610
<i>5.1</i> 1.5	Manufacturing, elaboration and commercialization of packages and pharmaceutical products	Colombia	n21.00%	(458)	127	139	-	-
Avefarma S.A.S <sup>(6)</sup> *	Manufacture and distribution of glass packing for pharmaceutical products	Colombia	n21.00%	6,307	(11,704)	(10,831)	-	-
Panamerican Pharmaceutical Holding Inc <sup>.(6)</sup> *	Advisory services, consultation, representation, agent for individuals or company	Panama	21.00%	(1,171)	(1,417)	196	(67)	-

Corresponds to the income recognized as equity method in the statement of income for the year ended December 31, 2017. See note 24.5 Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees
(2) Corresponds to the accumulated other comprehensive income as of December 31, 2017.

For the purposes of applying the equity method of accounting, financial statements at November 30, 2017 have been used, except for Redeban Multicolor S.A., for which we use the financial statements ended at October 31, 2017. However, the Bank does not consider that appropriate adjustments have to be made since no significant transactions took place between that date and December 31, 2017.

Corresponds to the other comprehensive income recognized as equity method for the year ended December 31, 2017.

<sup>(4)</sup> Corresponds to the other comprehensive income recognized as Cumulative Translation Adjustment of Foreign Currency (CTA) for the year ended December 31, 2017.

<sup>(5)</sup> As of December 31, 2017 the increses of ownership interest is related to capital contributions during the year 2017 As of December 31, 2017 the Bank classified the investment in Avefarma S.A.S., Glassfarma Tech S.A.S and

<sup>(6)</sup> Panamerican Pharmaceutical Holding inc as "assets held for sale", due to the fact that the management has currently been implementing a plan to sell these assets. See note 12 assets held for sale and inventories.

<sup>(7)</sup> See Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive income.

# As of December 31, 2016

## **Investments in Associates**

Company Name	Main activity	Country	% of Ownership interest	Included in earnings (1)	Total OCI (2)	OCI (Equity method)	OCI (CTA) <sup>(4)</sup>	Carrying amount
In millions of C	OP							
Protección S.A.*  PA Viva Malls (5)	Administration of pension funds and severances Development and			54,304	11,229	725	-	434,318
ra viva maiis	commercial spaces	Colombia	130.00%	-	-	-	-	388,595
Titularizadora Colombiana S.A. Hitos*	Mortgage portfolio	Colombia	a26.98%	2,619	(621)	11	-	35,930
Redeban Multicolor S.A.*	services	Colombia	a20.36%	319	(651)	(49)	-	17,006
Avefarma S.A.S	Manufacture and distribution of *glass packing for pharmaceutical products	Colombia	a21.00%	(2,378)	(873)	(1,202)	-	12,079
Panamerican Pharmaceutical Holding Inc.*	Advisory services, consultation, representation, agent for individuals or company	Panama	21.00%	(1,196)	(1,613)	(1,863)	2,934	9,820
Internacional Ejecutiva de Aviación S.A.S.*	Aircraft and aircraft travel	Colombia	133.33%	1,038	209	209	-	9,636
Reintegra S.A.S.*	Collections and recovery of portfolio	Colombia	146.00%	(1,309)	3,496	805	-	8,604
ACH Colombia S.A.*	Electronic transfer services Construction of	Colombia	a 19.94%	3,129	(952)	(878)	-	6,223
Concesiones CCFC S.A.*	public works through an awarding system	Colombia	125.50%	6,606	(753)	(4)	-	5,742
Servicio Salvadoreño de	Custodial services and transfer of	El Salvador	24.40%	436	(965)	957	13	5,448

Net investments	in associates		64,301	8,509	$(1,718)^{(8)}$	3,029	940,364
(winding up) <sup>(7)</sup>	projects						
Urbanas S.A.	civil engineering	Colombia-	(141)	-	-	-	-
Concesiones	Construction of						
Multiactivos S.A	Securitization of non-mortgage assets	Colombia-	183	-	70	-	-
ACH de El Salvador, S. A. de C.V.*	Electronic transfer services	El Salvador 24.40%	210	6	(58)	20	891
Glassfarma Tech S.A.S*	elaboration and commercialization of packages and pharmaceutical products	Colombia 21.00%	425	(12)	(348)	-	2,522
Servicios	Processing of financial transactions and electronic payment methods Manufacturing,	El Salvador 46.72%	56	9	(93)	62	3,550
Protección, S. A. de C.V.*	monetary types						

Corresponds to the income recognized as equity method in the statement of income for the year ended December 31, 2016. See note 24.5 Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees

PA Viva Malls, an investment in an associate of Fondo inmobiliario Colombia Inmobiliario which contributed COP (5) 388,595 in December 2016 to participate in 49% of the company. In partnership with Grupo Éxito, which owns 51%, the company's corporate purpose will be the development and management of real estate.

For the purposes of applying the equity method of accounting, financial statements at November 30, 2016 have been used, due to the fact that no more recent financial information was available. However, the Bank does not consider that appropriate adjustments have to be made since no significant transactions took place between that date and December 31, 2016.

<sup>(2)</sup> Corresponds to the accumulated other comprehensive income as of December 31, 2016.

Corresponds to the other comprehensive income recognized as equity method for the year ended December 31, 2016.

<sup>(4)</sup> Corresponds to the other comprehensive income recognized as Cumulative Translation Adjustment of Foreign Currency (CTA) for the year ended December 31, 2016.

<sup>(6)</sup> On October 19, 2016 Multiactivos S.A was wound up.

<sup>(7)</sup> On November 23, 2016 Concesiones Urbanas S.A was wound up.

<sup>(8)</sup> See Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive income

The following is additional information regarding the Bank's most significant associates as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

#### As of December 31, 2017

	Income from						
Company Name	Assets	Liabilities	sordinary activities	Profits (loss)	Dividends		
In millions of COP			activities				
PA Viva Malls <sup>(1)</sup>	1,262,837	29,499	380,612	235,647	35,278		
Protección S.A. <sup>(2)</sup>	2,125,552	2663,326	1,227,139	343,345	36,825		
Titularizadora Colombiana S.A. Hitos	614,032	487,073	35,714	8,161	3,121		

#### As of December 31, 2016

	Income from					
Company Name	Assets	Liabilitie	sordinary	Profits (loss	) Dividends	
			activities			
In millions of COP						
Protección S.A. <sup>(2)</sup>	1,901,01	6618,573	1,115,206	226,554	34,163	
Titularizadora Colombiana S.A. Hitos	500,950	371,827	34,185	8,019	3,873	

The difference between the net assets of P.A. Viva Malls multiplied by the Bank's percentage of ownership which amounted to COP 604,336 for the year ended at December 31, 2017 and the carrying amount of the Bank's interest in the associate, represents an adjustment amounted to COP 153,550 related to contractual terms with respect to the recognition of benefits.

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, there are no restrictions on the ability of the associates to transfer funds to the Bank in the form of cash dividends.

The following are the Joint ventures that the Bank holds as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

The difference between the net assets of Protección S.A. multiplied by the Bank's percentage of ownership which amounted to COP 300,926 and COP 263,927 for the years ended at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively and the carrying amount of the Bank's interest in the associate; represents the goodwill recognized by the Bank amounting to COP 170,434.

#### **December 31, 2017**

Company Name	Main activity	Country	% of Ownership interest	Included in earnings	Total	OCI (Equity method) <sup>(3)</sup>	Carrying amount
In millions of COP							
Compañía de							
financiamiento Tuya S.A	Financing company	Colombia	a50.00%	20,778	-	-	225,548
Puntos Colombia S.A.S (5	Administration of the customers loyalty	Colombia	a 50.00%	(1,787)	-	-	7,213
Servicios de Aceptación S.A	Network data transmission services	Colombia	a 50.00%	1,663	-	-	4,688
Fideicomiso Ruta del Sol - compartimento A <sup>(6)</sup>	Investment in infrastructure projects	Colombia	a 50.00%	(6,385)	13	-	-
Net investments in joint	ventures			14,269	13	-	237,449

Corresponds to the income recognized as equity method in the statement of income for the year ended December  $^{(1)}$  31, 2017. See note 24.5 Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees

On December 2017, given the continued impairment of the consumer loans portfolio of the company during 2017, the Bank management performed a valuation, to establish the fair value of the Compañía de Financiamiento TUYA

<sup>(2)</sup> Corresponds to the accumulated other comprehensive income as of December 31, 2017.

Corresponds to the other comprehensive income recognized as equity method for the year ended December 31, 2017.

<sup>(4)</sup> S.A.As a result of the valuation, the fair value of the investment was lower than the book value, for this, the Bank recorded an impairment in the statement of income for COP 173,339. See note 29 Fair value for assets and liabilities.

In June 2017, Banca de Inversión Bancolombia formed a joint venture with Grupo Éxito. The purpose of the company is the developing and administration of customer.

Given the losses of Fideicomiso Ruta del Sol - compartimento A for the year 2017, the recognition of the equity method resulting in a reduction of the total book value of the investment.

#### **December 31, 2016**

Company Name	Main activity	Country	% of Ownership interest	Included in earnings	Total	OCI (Equity method) (3)	Carrying amount
In millions of COP Compañía de							
financiamiento Tuya S.A	Financing company	Colombia	a50%	(7,801)	-	-	348,480
Fideicomiso Ruta del Sol - compartimento A	Investment in infrastructure projects	Colombia	a50%	778	13	-	6,376
Servicios de Aceptación S.A <sup>(5)</sup>	Network data transmission services	Colombia	a50%	2,976	-	-	3,026
Net investments in joint	ventures			(4,047)	13	-	357,882

Corresponds to the income recognized as equity method in the statement of income for the year ended December  $^{(1)}$  31, 2016. See note 24.5 Dividends received, and share of profits of equity method investees

On October 30, 2016 the Bank sold 50% of Compañía de Financiemiento TUYA S.A. The table above presents the recognition of the Equity Method after loss of control. The difference between the net assets of Tuya multiplied by

The following is complementary information regarding the Bank's most significant joint ventures as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

#### **December 31, 2017**

Company Name	Assets	Liabilities	Income from ordinary activities	Profits (los	s) Dividends
In millons of COP					
Compañía de financiamiento TUYA S.A.	2,571,10	62,293,239	1,344,712	41,556	371

<sup>(2)</sup> Corresponds to the accumulated other comprehensive income as of December 31, 2016.

Corresponds to the other comprehensive income recognized as equity method for the year ended December 31, 2016.

<sup>(4)</sup> the Bank's percentage of ownership which amounted to COP 22,550 for the year ended at December 31, 2017 and the carrying amount of the Bank's interest in the associate, represents the goodwill recognized by the Bank amounting to COP 275,930.

In June 2016. Joint venture with First Data was created with the purpose of generating an alliance that promotes the business of using credit and debit cards in commercial establishments.

## **December 31, 2016**

Company Name	Assets	Liabilities	Income from ordinary activities	<b>Profits</b> (loss	) Dividends
In millons of COP					
Compañía de financiamiento TUYA S.A.	2,474,730	02,329,631	1,153,155	(13,257)	_

As of December 31, 2017, the Bank recorded a contingent liability COP 12,342 regarding its interest in Fideicomiso Ruta del Sol - Compartimiento A.

As of December 31, 2015 the Bank has recognized COP 122,477 as equity method in the statement of income, COP 23,781 as other comprehensive income from equity method and COP 1,514 as other comprehensive income from currency translation adjustment. Additionally, during 2015, the Bank received dividends amounting to COP 30,320 from its significant associates.

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, there are no restrictions on the ability of the joint ventures to transfer funds to the Bank in the Form of cash dividends.

## NOTE 8. GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS, NET

Intangibles assets and goodwill are as follows:

## December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

## In millions of COP

Total	6,631,424	6,694,037
Goodwill	6,095,959	6,130,095
Intangible as	sets 535,465	563,942

## 8.1. Intangible assets

The following table sets forth the Bank's intangible assets as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, including the reconciliation of initial and final balances of the cost and accrued amortization:

Cost	Trademarks	Licenses, software and computer applications	Client relationships	Total
In millions of COP				
Balance at January 1, 2017	17,741	503,094	324,495	845,330
Acquisitions	-	70,681	-	70,681
Write off	-	(24,296)	-	(24,296)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(99)	(1,798)	(1,807)	(3,704)
Balance at December 31, 2017	17,642	547,681	322,688	888,011

Amortization	Trademarks	Licenses, software and computer applications	Client relationships	Total
In millions of COP				
Balance at January 1, 2017	(2,533)	(204,296)	(74,559)	(281,388)

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Intangible assets at December 31, 2017, net	12,602	338,410	184,453	535,465
Balance at December 31, 2017	(5,040)	(209,271)	(138,235)	(352,546)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(14)	1,008	(90)	904
Amortization expense	(2,493)	(50,673)	(63,586)	(116,752)
Write off	-	44,690	-	44,690

#### As of December 31, 2016

Cost	Trademarks	Licenses, software and computer applications	Client relationships	Total
In millions of COP				
Balance at January 1, 2016	18,620	1,032,334	340,582	1,391,536
Acquisitions	-	122,729	-	122,729
Write off (1)	-	(636,826)	_	(636,826)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	(879)	(15,143)	(16,087)	(32,109)
Balance at December 31, 2016	17,741	503,094	324,495	845,330

In 2016, the Parent Company noticed that some licenses, software and computer applications amounting to COP 1.549,191 were recognized on the balance sheet even though their useful life were completely amortized and the Bank did not use them for several years. This amount has been written off.

Amortization	Trademarks	Licenses, software and computer applications	Client relationships	Total
In millions of COP				
Balance at January 1, 2016	-	(783,950)	-	(783,950)
Write off	-	641,989	-	641,989
Amortization expense	(2,578)	(71,540)	(75,658)	(149,776)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	45	9,205	1,099	10,349
Balance at December 31, 2016	(2,533)	(204,296)	(74,559)	(281,388)
Intangible assets at December 31, 2016, net	15,208	298,798	249,936	563,942

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Bank does not have intangible assets with restricted ownership, intangible assets pledged as collateral or contractual agreements for the acquisition of this class of assets.

#### Research and development costs related to software development

During the period ending at December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, the Bank incurred in costs that are directly related to software development amounted to COP 422, COP 16,715 and COP 8,344. These costs were incurred during the analysis and design of particular solutions in connection with the updating and replacement of the mortgage core

factoring and the implementation of SQL Reporting Services. The expenses were recorded mainly as fees paid in the line 'Other administrative and general expenses' of the consolidated statement of income.

## Intangibles which did not meet the criteria to be recognized as assets

As of December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, the Bank has recognized in the statement of income the amount of COP 23,180, COP 16,217 and 3,583, related to expenditures which were not recognized as intangible assets. These expenses were not recorded as assets due to the lack of characterists to be reliably identifiable, and those assets do not support critical processes to be recognized as intangible assets.

#### 8.2 Goodwill

The following table sets forth an analysis of the activity in the goodwill account:

#### December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

In millions of COP		
Balance at beginning of the year, net	6,130,095	6,484,669
Effect of change in foreign exchange rate	(34,136)	(354,574)
Balance at end of the year, net	6,095,959	6,130,095

The Bank tests goodwill recognized as a result of business combinations for impairment at least annually using a process that begins with an estimation of the recoverable amount of a group of cash-generation units equal to the operating segment. Recoverable amount is determined by management by reference to market value, if available, by pricing models, or with the assistance of a valuation specialist. Determination of recoverable amount requires management to make assumptions and use estimates to forecast cash flow for periods that are beyond the normal requirements of management reporting; the assessment of the appropriate discount rate; estimation of the recoverable amount of cash-generation units; and the valuation of the separable assets of each business whose goodwill is being reviewed. The key assumptions used by management in determining the recoverable amount are:

Operating segment	Goodwi	ill 2017	Valuation	Key	Discount	Growth
				Assumptions	Rate (real)	rate (real)
Banking El Salvador	COD	2/2 126	Discounted	5 years plan	12 20%	3.40%
				3 years plan	12.30%	3.40%
Banking Panama	COD 4	557 200	Discounted	5 years plan	9 000	6.70%
banking Fanama	COP 4,	337,380	cash flow	5 years plan	0.90%	0.70%
	COD	(06.452	Discounted	£	11 2007	<i>5</i> 2007
Banking Guatemala	COP 6	96,433	cash flow	5 years plan	11.30%	5.30%

In 2017 and 2016, the Bank tested the aforementioned goodwill for impairment purposes at operating segment levels: Banking Panama, Banking El Salvador and Banking Guatemala. Each operating segment represent a group of cash generating units. Evaluating the goodwill impairment at an operating segment level ensure the alignment with the approach used by the CODM to make decisions about resources to be allocated to the segments and assess its performance.

#### **Sensitivity analysis:**

In order to assess the impact of changes in certain significant inputs as the discount rate and the growth rate in the operating segments' recoverable amount, the Bank made a sensitivity analysis of these inputs through the definition of alternative scenarios with their future evolution. The tables below present the estimated recoverable amount of each operating segment obtained as a result of sensitivity analysis:

#### As of December 31, 2017

#### **Banking Panama**

Growth rate Discount rate

9.15% 8.90% 8.65%

**6.70**% COP 9,750,408 COP 10,939,812 COP 12,435,319

Growth rate

Discount rate 6.45% 6.70% 6.95%

**8.90**% COP 10,161,356 COP 10,939,812 COP 11,917,875

## **Banking El Salvador**

Discount rate

Growth rate 12.55% 12.30% 12,05%

**3.40**% COP 2,520,931 COP 2,588,656 COP 2,660,269

Discount rate Growth rate

3.15% 3.40% 3.65%

**12.30**% COP 2,564,330 COP 2,588,656 COP 2,614,375

**Banking Guatemala** 

Discount rate

Growth rate 11.55% 11.30% 11.05%

**5.30%** COP 2,239,238 COP 2,339,936 COP 2,449,482

Discount rate Growth rate

5.05% 5.30% 5.55%

**11.30**% COP 2,295,042 COP 2,339,936 COP 2,388,737

## **Banking Panama**

**Discount rate Growth rate** 

9.75% 9.50% 9.25%

6.60% COP 8,690,384 COP 9,444,020 COP 10,339,834

Discount rate  $\frac{\text{Growth rate}}{6.35\%}$ 

6.60% 6.85%

9.50% COP 8,950,634 COP 9,444,020 COP 10,030,497

#### **Banking El Salvador**

Growth rate Discount rate

12.45% 12.20% 11.95%

**3.40**% COP 2,736,320 COP 2,803,464 COP 2,874,488

Discount rate Growth rate

3.15% 3.40% 3.65%

**12.20**% COP 2,774,994 COP 2,803,464 COP 2,833,601

#### **Banking Guatemala**

Discount rate

Growth rate 11.85% 11.60% 11.35%

**5.30**% COP 2,096,380 COP 2,187,604 COP 2,286,466

Discount rate Growth rate

5.05% 5.30% 5.55%

**11.60%** COP 2,150,867 COP 2,187,604 COP 2,227,376

The Bank considers goodwill as an asset with indefinite useful life.

#### 8.3 Agromercantil Group Holding (GAH) acquisition

On December 18, 2012, Bancolombia Panama S.A. (a subsidiary of Bancolombia S.A.) and BAM Financial Corporation (BFC), entered into a stock purchase agreement, pursuant to which Bancolombia Panama agreed to purchase from BFC a 40% stake in the capital stock of the Panamanian company Grupo Agromercantil Holding (GAH).

On October 1, 2013, after obtaining the required regulatory authorizations Bancolombia Panama acquired 40% of the common stock of GAH. The consideration paid by Bancolombia was USD 217,000 in cash. Likewise, the agreement set forth a series of call options held by Bancolombia Panama and put options held by BFC, with which after 5 years since that date Bancolombia Panama had the right to buy and BFC the obligation to sell, the number of voting shares required to hold 51% of the total share capital of GAH, on the other hand, during 5 years since the effective date, BFC had the right to sell and Bancolombia Panama the obligation to buy, any number of voting shares; however, the option

never could be for a number of shares that would result in a 50%/50% of ownership over GAH as of October 2013.

In September 2015, the Share Purchase Agreement aforementioned was modified, BFC agreed to sell 40,540,000 common shares of Grupo Agromercantil (equivalent to 20% of the subscribed and paid capital) to Bancolombia Panama. The consideration paid in cash by Bancolombia Panama was USD 151,500.

The acquisition achieved in stages of GAH and its subsidiaries was accounted for under the acquisition method in accordance with IFRS 3. Accordingly, the Bank remeasured its previously held equity interest in GAH at its acquisition-date fair value and recognized the resulting gain or loss considering any other comprehensive income previously recorded related to currency translation adjustment and equity method adjustment. The purchase price was allocated to the acquired assets and liabilities based on their estimated fair values at the acquisition date. All acquired loans were also recorded at fair value. Goodwill of USD 233,396 (COP 735,073) was calculated as the purchase premium after adjusting for the fair value of net assets acquired, and the related deferred tax amounts of USD 28,954 (COP 91,191).

# NOTE 9. PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT, NET

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016 the premises and equipment consisted of the following:

		Roll - forwa	rd					
Premises and equipment	Balance at January 1, 2017	Acquisitions	Expenses depreciation	Disposals	Assets classified as held for sale	Subsidiary liquidation	Effect of changes in foreign exchange rate	Balance at December 31, 2017
In millions of COP								
Land								
Cost	334,499	4,050	-	(904)	-	-	(283)	337,362
<b>Construction in progress</b>								
Cost	32,883	48,849	-	(76,066)	-	-	(537)	5,129
Buildings								
Cost	1,185,296	130,766	-	(27,041)	-	(5,973)	21,491	1,304,539
Accumulated depreciation	(259,400)	-	(29,451)	3,449	-	-	284	(285,118)
Furniture and fixtures								
Cost	572,699	40,187	-	(12,647)	(111)	(37)	1,184	601,275
Accumulated depreciation	n(300,731)	-	(39,912)	9,317	95	30	(2,853)	(334,054)
Computer equipment								
Cost	717,464	100,939	-	(29,301)	(6,025)	(39)	(562)	782,476
Accumulated depreciation	(477,339)	-	(73,772)	46,358	5,740	18	1,019	(497,976)
Vehicles								
Cost	1,461,628	650,232	-	(305,457)	(318,880)	(32,845)	(43,969)	1,410,709
Accumulated depreciation	(387,491)	(2,866)	(144,159)	14,022	113,100	15,740	20,378	(371,276)
Airplane								
Cost	60,614	-	-	(59,614)	-	-	(1,000)	-
Accumulated depreciation	(6,227)	-	(356)	6,480	-	-	103	-
Ongoing Imports								
Cost	1,929	6,472	-	(4,744)	-	-	(155)	3,502
Leasehold improvements								
Cost	248,358	61,284	-	(7,812)	-	-	(4,330)	297,500
Accumulated depreciation	(68,485)	-	(28,631)	(29,723)	-	-	176	(126,663)
Total premises and equipment - cost	4,615,370	1,042,779	-	(523,586)	(325,016)	(38,894)	(28,161)	4,742,492
Total premises and equipment - accumulated	(1,499,673)	(2,866)	(316,281)	49,903	118,935	15,788	19,107	(1,615,087

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depreciation **Total premises and** 

3,115,697 1,039,913 (316,281) (473,683) (206,081) (23,106) (9,054) 3,127,405 equipment, net

**Roll - forward** 

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Premises and equipment	Balance at January 1, 2016	Acquisitions	s Transfers	Expenses - depreciation	Disposals	Assets classified as held for sale	Effect of changes in foreign exchange rate	Balance a December 31, 2016
In millions of COP								
Land								
Cost	355,907	-	-	-	(8,692)	-	(12,716)	334,499
<b>Construction in progress</b>								
Cost	61,322	34,428	-	-	(59,873) (1	)(766)	(2,228)	32,883
Buildings								
Cost	1,185,109	88,506	-	-	(43,997)	(24,293)	(20,029)	1,185,296
Accumulated depreciation	(269,316)	(54)	-	(31,007)	16,942	13,569	10,466	(259,400)
Furniture and fixtures								
Cost	531,176	74,117	2,029	-	(19,962)	-	(14,661)	572,699
Accumulated depreciation	1(270,193)	(1,243)	(866)	(43,150)	7,176	-	7,545	(300,731)
Computer equipment								
Cost	761,961	92,723	2,348	-	(120,241)	(3,309)	(16,018)	717,464
Accumulated depreciation	(484,520)	(1,338)	(606)	(89,771)	83,763	2,864	12,269	(477,339)
Vehicles								
Cost	1,240,211	682,070	146	-	(278,175)	(185,937)	3,313	1,461,628
Accumulated depreciation	(342,606)	(134)	(20)	(141,290)	9,889	89,872	(3,202)	(387,491)
Airplane								
Cost	63,619	-	-	-	-	-	(3,005)	60,614
Accumulated depreciation	(4,126)	-	-	(2,336)	-	-	235	(6,227)
Ongoing Imports								
Cost	21,192	59,777	-	-	(54,598)	-	(24,442)	1,929
Leasehold improvements								
Cost	283,666	23,055	-	-	(43,640)	-	(14,723)	248,358
Accumulated depreciation	(81,136)	-	-	(21,704)	31,598	-	2,757	(68,485)
Total premises and	1 501 162	1 054 676	4 522		(620 179)	(214 205)	(104 500)	4 615 270
equipment - cost	4,504,163	1,054,676	4,523	-	(629,178)	(214,305)	(104,509)	4,615,370
Total premises and								
equipment - accumulated	(1,451,897)	(2,769)	(1,492)	(329,258)	149,368	106,305	30,070	(1,499,673
depreciation								
Total premises and equipment, net	3,052,266	1,051,907	3,031	(329,258)	(479,810)	(108,000)	(74,439)	3,115,697

<sup>(1)</sup> The amount corresponds to the activation of elements in the Banco Agricola's headquater construction.

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, there were no contractual commitments for the purchase of premises and equipment, or premises and equipment pledged as collateral.

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the assessment made by the Bank indicates there is no evidence of impairment of its premises and equipment.

#### NOTE 10. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

The table below sets forth the reconciliation between the initial balance account and the balance at the end of the period, at fair value:

#### December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

In millions of COP		
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,581,689	1,505,046
Acquisitions	92,102	29,034
Sales/Write-offs	(71,955)	(72,682)
Classified to Assets held for sale	-	(29,008)
Gains on valuation (1)	55,573	149,299
Balance at the end of the period <sup>(2)</sup>	1,657,409	1,581,689

<sup>(1)</sup> See note 24.4. Other operating income.

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The valuation adjustments recorded by the Bank's related to its investment properties are detailed below:

Type of asse	Balance at the teginning of		Net increase s(decrease) in	Adjusted fair value at the end of the year (1)
	the year		investment properties	the end of the year (1)
In millions o	of COP			
Buildings	1,355,717	49,721	7,847	1,413,285

Between December 31, 2016 and 2017 there were no transfers in and out of Level 3 fair value hierarchy related with investment properties. See Note 29 Fair value of assets and liabilities.

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Lands	225,972	5,852	12,300	244,124
Total	1,581,689	55,573	20,147	1,657,409

#### As of December 31, 2016

Type of asset	Balance at the beginning of the year	Appraisals	Net increase (decrease) in investment properties	Classified to assets held for sale	Adjusted fair value at the end of the year (1)
In millions of	f COP				
Buildings	1,275,566	52,543	27,608	-	1,355,717
Lands	229,480	96,756	(71,256)	(29,008)	225,972
Total	1,505,046	149,299	(43,648)	(29,008)	1,581,689

Corresponds to the change in the commercial estimate of real estate due to the change in the consumer price index (IPC).

#### Amounts recognized in the statement of income for the period.

The table sets forth the main income recorded by the Bank related to its investment properties:

	December December		
	31, 2017 31, 2016 31, 2015		
	In million	ns of COP	
Income from rentals	77,964	66,838	89,389
Operating expenses due to:			
Investment properties that generated income through rentals	21,012	21,254	11,693
Investment properties that did not generate income through rentals	2,295	2,495	2,539

Currently, there are no restrictions on the use or income derived from the buildings or lands that the Bank has as investment property.

The fair value of the Bank's investment properties for the year ending at December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, has been recorded according to the assessment made by independent external consulting companies that have the appropriate capacity and experience in performing those assessments. The appraisers are either approved by the Property Market Auctions of Colombia or foreign appraisers, who are required to provide a second signature by a Colombia appraiser accredited by the Property Market Auctions.

Fair value appraisals are carried out in accordance with IFRS 13. The reports made by the external consulting company contain the description of the valuation methodologies used, and key assumptions such as: discount rates, calculation of applied expenses and income approach, among others. The fair value of the investment properties is based on the comparative market approach, which reflects the prices of recent transactions with similar characteristics. Upon determining the fair value of these investment properties, the greater and best use of these investment properties is their present use. For further information about measurements techniques and inputs used by consulting companies, please see Note 29 Fair Value of assets and liabilities.

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Bank does not have investment properties held under financial leases.

NOTE 11. INCOME TAX

The income tax is recognized in each country where the Bank has operations, in accordance with the tax regulations in force in each of the jurisdictions.

The deferred tax asset and liability is recognized based on the temporary differences arising from the future estimate of tax and accounting effects attributable to differences between assets and liabilities in the Financial Statements and its tax base.

In order to adequately comply with tax obligations on a timely basis, the Bank constantly analyzes and interprets current tax legislation that is applicable to its operations.

#### 11.1. Components recognized in the Income Statement for the period:

	December 31	, December 31	, December 31,
	2017	2016	2015
	In millions of	f COP	
Current tax			
Fiscal year	1,041,454	813,355	346,556
Previous fiscal years	3,967	2,519	6,159
<b>Total current tax</b>	1,045,421	815,874	352,715
Deferred tax			
Fiscal year	193,177	360,958	296,535
Total deferred tax	193,177	360,958	296,535
Total tax	1,238,598	1,176,832	649,250

#### 11.2. Components recognized in Other Comprehensive Income (OCI)

#### December 31, 2017 In millions of COP

	Amount before Expenses or		Net taxes
	taxes	(income) per tax	net taxes
Remeasurement loss related to defined benefit liability	3,753	(3,725)	28
Net profit (loss) by financial instruments measured at fair value	29,095	9,789	38,884
Gain or loss on net investment hedge in foreign operations	449,640	(6,895)	442,745
Net	482,488	(831)	481,657

See Other Comprehensive Income

December 31, 2016 In millions of COP

Net taxes

	Amount before Expenses or		
	taxes	(income) per tax	<b>(</b>
Remeasurement loss related to defined benefit liability	626	(10,966)	(10,340)
Net profit (loss) by financial instruments measured at fair value	208,276	24,341	232,617
Net	208,902	13,375	222,277

See Other Comprehensive Income

#### December 31, 2015 In millions of COP

	Amount before Expenses or		Net taxes
	taxes	(income) per tax	net taxes
Remeasurement loss related to defined benefit liability	(59,434)	9,312	(50,122)
Net profit (loss) by financial instruments measured at fair value	128,271	9,052	137,323
Net	68,837	18,364	87,201

See Other Comprehensive Income

#### 11.3.

#### Other disclosures

#### 11.3.1.

#### **Explanation of applicable rates**

The following are nominal rates of the income tax in each of the countries where the Bank has operations that are subject to income tax:

#### Companies domiciled in Colombia

Income tax and the income tax for equality (CREE) were applied at the following rates for 2016 and 2017 in accordance with Law No. 1739 of 2014 and Law No. 1819 of 2016:

#### 201720162015

 Income
 34%
 25%
 25%

 CREE
 0%
 9%
 9%

 Surcharge 6%
 6%
 5%

 Total
 40%
 40%
 39%

#### Companies domiciled in other countries

#### 201520162017 2018 2019 As from 2020

 Companies from Peru
 Income 30% 28% 29.5% 29.5% 29.5% 29.5%

 Companies from Panama
 Income 25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 25%

 Companies from El Salvador
 Income 30% 30% 30% 30% 30% 30% 30%

 Companies from Guatemala
 Income 25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 25%

# 11.3.2. Amount of temporary differences in subsidiaries, branches, associates on which no charged deferred tax has been recognized

#### December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

### In millions of COP

#### **Temporary differences**

Local Subsidiaries (1,043,724) (234,975) Foreign Subsidiaries (4,533,672) (4,547,623)

In accordance with IAS 12, no deferred tax was recognized due to the fact that management are able to control the future time when those differences are reverted, and that this is not expected to take place in the foreseeable future.

#### 11.3.3. Temporary differences to December 31, 2017

The net deferred tax assets and liabilities by company disclosed in the Statement of Financial:

	December 31 2017	, December 31 2017	, December 31 2016	December 31, 2016
In millions of COP				
Company	Deferred tax asset	Deferred tax liability	Deferred tax asset	Deferred tax liability
Arrendadora Financiera S.A.	299	-	-	(87)
Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C.	-	-	370	-
Bagrícola Costa Rica S.A.	56	-	68	-
Grupo Agromercantil Holding	-	(29,924)	-	(38,622)
Banca de Inversión Bancolombia S.A.	-	(26,432)	-	(99,504)
Banco Agrícola S.A.	46,328	-	43,594	-
Bancolombia S.A.	-	(1,368,062)	-	(1,152,726)
Banistmo S.A. y Filiales	96,533	-	166,421	-
BIBA Inmobiliaria S.A.S.	-	(5)	-	(10)
Fideicomiso "Lote Abelardo Castro"	-	(188)	-	(171)
Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A.	1,808	-	6,483	-
FiduPerú S.A Sociedad Fiduciaria	-	-	165	-
Inversiones CFNS S.A.S.	-	(700)	-	(1,042)
Renting Colombia S.A.S.	-	(5,466)	-	(19,753)
Transportempo S.A.S	509	-	285	-
Valores Banagricola S.A.	10	-	-	-
Valores Bancolombia S.A.	3,071	-	5,476	-
Valores Simesa S.A.	-	(9,421)	-	(13,439)
Net Deferred Tax by Company Net Deferred Tax	148,614	(1,440,198) (1,291,584)	222,862	(1,325,354) (1,102,492)

#### 11.3.4. Assets and Liabilities deferred tax without netting per company

Deferred tax summary in Balance accounts	December 31, 2016	With effects on the statement of income and Foreign currency translation adjustments	With OCI effects	Eliminations	s Reclassifications	December 31, 5 2017
In millions of COP						
Deferred tax asset	757,874	(167,907)	15,021	(3,122)	999	602,865
Deferred tax liability	(1,860,366)	(7,014)	(14,190)	(15,939)	3,060	(1,894,449)
Net deferred tax	(1,102,492)	(174,921)	831	(19,061)	4,059	(1,291,584)

The deferred tax disclosed in section 11.1 corresponds to deferred tax assets and liabilities without eliminations in the amount of COP 174,921, plus eliminations in the amount of COP 19,061, less the difference for foreign currency translation adjustments that is contained in the movement of balance sheet accounts of COP (805).

With effects on the statement of income

	<b>December 31, 2016</b>	6 Realization	n Increase	eDecember 31, 2017
In millions of COP				
Deferred tax asset:				
Premises and equipment	19,721	7,258	8,690	21,153
Employee benefits	152,070	9,252	18,706	161,524
Municipal tax liabilities	16,385	16,385	-	-
Impairment evaluation	252,181	285,854	238,583	204,910
Offset of tax credits	31,394	200	37,269	68,463
Financial obligations	59,967	9,176	1,072	51,863
Investment valuation	6,846	6,846	81	81
Foreclosed Assets	118.894	119,177	283	-
Other deductions	71.792	37,179	16,613	51,226
Total deferred tax asset	729,250	491,327	321,297	559,220
	<b>December 31, 2016</b>	6 Realization	n Increase	e December 31, 2017
In millions of COP	<b>December 31, 2010</b>	6 Realization	n Increase	eDecember 31, 2017
In millions of COP Deferred tax liability:	December 31, 2010	6 Realizatio	n Increase	eDecember 31, 2017
	December 31, 2016 (230,202)	<b>Realizatio</b> 29,875	nIncrease	(233,550)
Deferred tax liability:	,			ŕ
<b>Deferred tax liability:</b> <i>Premises and equipment</i>	(230,202)		33,223	(233,550)
Deferred tax liability: Premises and equipment Leasing re-expression	(230,202) (279,733)	29,875	33,223 175,877	(233,550) (455,610)
Deferred tax liability: Premises and equipment Leasing re-expression Impairment evaluation	(230,202) (279,733) (225,635)	29,875 - 221,704	33,223 175,877 2,481	(233,550) (455,610) (6,412)
Deferred tax liability: Premises and equipment Leasing re-expression Impairment evaluation Equity securities valuation	(230,202) (279,733) (225,635) (153,886)	29,875 - 221,704 73,171	33,223 175,877 2,481	(233,550) (455,610) (6,412) (121,210)
Deferred tax liability: Premises and equipment Leasing re-expression Impairment evaluation Equity securities valuation Derivatives valuation	(230,202) (279,733) (225,635) (153,886) (124,737)	29,875 - 221,704 73,171 68,011	33,223 175,877 2,481 40,495	(233,550) (455,610) (6,412) (121,210) (56,726)
Deferred tax liability: Premises and equipment Leasing re-expression Impairment evaluation Equity securities valuation Derivatives valuation Goodwill	(230,202) (279,733) (225,635) (153,886) (124,737) (587,094)	29,875 - 221,704 73,171 68,011 20,434	33,223 175,877 2,481 40,495 - 192,228	(233,550) (455,610) (6,412) (121,210) (56,726) (758,888)

Impact on Other Comprehensive Income

#### December 31, 2016 Realization Increase December 31, 2017

In millions of COP				
Deferred tax asset				
Employee benefits	28,624	1,958	10,084	36,750
Investment hedge in foreign opera	ations -	-	6,895	6,895

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Total deferred tax asset	28,624	1,958	16,979	43,645
	December 31, 2	016 Realizat	ion Increas	eDecember 31, 2017
In millions of COP				
Deferred tax liability				
Employee benefits	-	150	4,551	(4,401)
Debt securities valuation	(39)	39	41	(41)
Investment valuation	(95,645)	6	9,793	(105,432)
Total deferred tax liability	(95,684)	195	14,385	(109,874)

In accordance with the financial projections, we expect to generate enough net income in the future to compensate for items registered as deductible deferred tax. These estimates are based on financial projections that were prepared taking into account the information of Grupo Bancolombia's economic research about the economic environment expected over the next five years. The main indicators on which the models are based are GDP growth, portfolio growth and interest rates. In addition to these elements, the company's long-term strategy is also taken into consideration.

#### 11.3.5. Future consequences of dividends from local subsidiaries

According to the historical behavior of dividends and current tax regulations, they would not be taxed in the event that the Parent Company receives dividends from its local subsidiaries.

#### 11.3.6. Conciliation of the effective tax rate

Conciliation of the tax rate	December 3: 2017	1, December 3 2016	1, December 31, 2015
In millions of COP			
Accounting earnings	3,992,771	3,968,282	3,235,635
Tax applicable to the nominal rate	1,597,108	1,587,313	1,261,898
Non-deductible expenses for determining taxable profit (loss)	356,350	255,435	290,291
Accounting and not fiscal expenses (income) for determining taxable profit (loss)	(179,605)	(217,056)	(822,513)
Differences in tax bases	341,828	(348,985)	(149,502)
Tax and not accounting expenses (income) for determining taxable profit (loss)	(23,844)	23,381	352,543
Revenues from ordinary activities exempt from taxation	(181,406)	(121,917)	(172,466)
Income from ordinary activities not constituting income or occasional earnings from taxation	(130,272)	(111,027)	(66,459)
Other fiscal deductions	(184,620)	(107,083)	(168.970)
Repayments on commercial credit	(233,004)	-	-
Surplus of tax depreciation	(177,936)	(20,323)	(2,083)
Foreign profits taxed at other rates	(218,785)	72,144	99,398
Other effects of the tax rate from reconciling accounting earnings and tax expenses (income)	272,784	164,950	27,113
Total Tax	1,238,598	1,176,832	649,250

#### **Discontinued operations**

#### December 31, 2016 December 31, 2015

In millions of COP		
Earnings before taxes	266,072	21,446
Total income and CREE taxes	(2,961)	21,635
Total deferred tax	(99,614)	(22,702)
Total tax	(102,575)	<b>(1,067)</b>
<b>Net profit of discontinued operations</b>	163,497	22,513

<sup>\*</sup> For 2017 no operations were discontinued.

#### 11.4. Potential consequences on the payment of dividends

If the Parent Company, or any of its subsidiaries, distributes dividends, these would be subject to the tax regulations of each of the countries where they are enacted.

#### 11.5. Tax contingent liabilities and assets

Having analyzed the fiscal positions adopted in the declarations subject to review by the fiscal authority, Grupo Bancolombia believes it to be necessary to continue to recognize the uncertain position for the tax year of 2014 for the financial statements as of December 31, 2017.

11.6. Fiscal credits

The following is the detail of the Tax loss carryforward and excesses of presumptive income on net income in the group entities, which have not been used up to December 31, 2017.

Base Tax deferred asset recognized In millions of COP 207,395 68,463

11.7. Tax regulations applicable to current and deferred taxes for fiscal years 2015, 2016 and 2017.

11.7.1. Companies domiciled in Colombia

#### **Current tax**

Starting from the tax year of 2017, current tax is calculated based on the accounting information provided under the framework of the technical accounting regulations currently in force in Colombia and established by Decree No. 2420 of 2015 and its subsequent amendments. Up until the tax year of 2016, current tax was calculated based on the accounting information prepared in accordance with the standards provided under Decree No. 2649 and 2650 of 1993, the technical standards established by the Financial Superintendence of Colombia; consequently, taxes are calculated using a combination of bases depending on the year of the transaction.

b) Occasional earnings are handled separately from ordinary income and taxed at a rate of	ate of 10%
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The basis for calculating ordinary income tax cannot be less than three point five percent (3.5%) of liquid assets on the last day of the previous fiscal year.

#### Wealth tax

In its statement of financial position, Grupo Bancolombia recognized the payment of the wealth tax contributions corresponding to the current tax year of 2017, in accordance with the Law No. 1739 of 2014.

#### 11.7.2. Companies domiciled in other countries

Current tax is calculated based on the accounting information provided by the current technical accounting frameworks in each of the jurisdictions where Grupo Bancolombia operates.

11.7.3. Deferred Tax

Deferred tax as of December 31, 2017 was calculated based on the applicable fiscal regulations in every country where Grupo Bancolombia operates, using tax rates that apply to the tax years in which they expect to realize their assets and settle their liabilities.

#### NOTE 12. ASSETS HELD FOR SALE AND INVENTORIES

The breakdown of inventories and assets held for sale of the Bank is as follows:

Assets held for sale and inventories	December 31, 2017 December 31, 20			
In millions of COP				
Inventories, net	164,516	140,137		
Assets held for sale	212,487	133,050		
Total inventories and assets held for sale, net	377,003	273,187		

#### 12.1 Inventories

Due to the nature of the financial services provided by some subsidiaries of the Bank, when assets provided through operating or financial leases to third parties that do not exercise the purchase option or do not have a purchase option, once the agreement expires those assets are recorded as inventories, considering that in the course of the ordinary activities performed by such subsidiaries, those assets are routinely sold.

The Bank's inventories at December 31, 2017 and 2016, are summarized as follows:

Inventories	<b>December 31, 201</b>	7 December 31, 2016
In millions of COP		
Lands and buildings	117,339	90,166
Vehicles	45,741	50,843
Machinery	16,252	11,045
<b>Total inventory cost</b>	179,332	152,054
Impairment	(14,816)	(11,917)
Total inventories, net	t 164,516	140,137

Impairment is recognized based on market price fluctuation due to the fact that the fair value is determined by the offering price less cost to sell.

There are no inventories pledged as collateral for liabilities as of December 31, 2017 and 2016.

#### 12.2 Assets held for sale

The assets recognized by the Bank as assets held for sale correspond to machinery, equipment, motor vehicles, technology, and investment property, among others that have been received as foreclosed assets.

The Bank's assets held for sale have a current plan to sale, which contains the details of the selling price allocation and the advertising and marketing plan of the assets. Furthermore, the plan specifies the conditions to proceed with the selling process, consisting of an offer made by the customer and then, the Management's approval to perform the sale.

The total balance of assets held for sale, by operating segment, are detailed below:

#### As of December 31, 2017

Assets held for sale	_	_	Banking El Salvador	Banking Guatemala	Others Segment	Total
In millions of COP						
Machinery and equipment	8,099	3,362	-	39	-	11,500
Cost	8,972	3,422	-	39	-	12,433
Impairment	(873)	(60)	-	-	-	(933)
Real estate for residential purposes	8,346	12,257	2,586	665	-	23,854
Cost	8,431	12,859	2,645	885	-	24,820
Impairment	(85)	(602)	(59)	(220)	-	(966)
Real estate different from residential properties	295	952	-	155	-	1,402
Cost	295	952	-	178	24	1,449
Impairment	-	-	-	(23)	(24)	(47)
Investments held for sale	-	-	-	-	18,413	18,413
Cost (1)	-	-	-	-	18,413	18,413
Impairment	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assets related to Investments held for sale	-	-	-	-	157,318	157,318
Cost (2)	-	-	-	_	157,318	157,318
Impairment	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total assets held for sale	16,740	16,571	2,586	859	175,731	212,487

In December 2017, the administration launched the execution of a sale plan for the investments associated with Avefarma S.A.S, Glassfarma Tech S.A.S. and Panamerican Pharmaceutical Holding Inc., for this reason the investments are presented as "non-current assets held for sale". According to the sales plan, the sale is expected to occur before the end of year 2018.

For the companies Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C.; Capital Investments SAFI S.A. and FiduPerú S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria, the Bank has the intention to sell them. Therefore the Bank expects that their carrying amounts will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. As a result, these companies are disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position as assets held for sale. The sale is highly probable and those companies are available for immediate sale subject only to customary terms for sale. In this regard, Bank is managing all the necessary authorizations to carry out the sale such as the approval of the Peruvian Superintendence of Banking and Insurance.

<sup>2.</sup> These assets corresponded to Arrendamiento Operativo CIB S.A.C.; Capital Investments SAFI S.A. and FiduPerú S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria.

The breakdown of the major classes of assets and liabilities classified as held for sale is as follows:

	<b>December 31, 2017</b>
In millons of COP	
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	19,072
Financial assets investment	2,486
Premises and equipment, net	109,469
Prepaid expenses	101
Tax receivables	8,028
Deferred tax	1,103
Assets held for sale	4,691
Other assets	12,368
<b>Total assets</b>	157,318
Liabilities	
Borrowings from other financial institutions	90,109
Tax liabilities	611
Deferred tax liabilities	4,908
Other liabilities	7,348
Total liabilities	102,976

#### As of December 31, 2016

Assets held for sale			Banking El Salvador	Banking Guatemala	Others Segment	Total
In millions of COP						
Machinery and equipment	3,726	2,361	-	24	3,355	9,466
Cost	3,871	2,671	-	26	3,355	9,923
Impairment	(145)	(310)	-	(2)	-	(457)
Real estate for residential purposes	3,862	15,036	1,096	677	-	20,671
Cost	4,031	15,160	1,114	825	-	21,130
Impairment	(169)	(124)	(18)	(148)	-	(459)
Real estate different from residential properties	28,587	2,093	-	185	72,048	102,913
Cost	29,861	2,093	-	185	72,048	104,187
Impairment	(1,274)	-	-	-	-	(1,274)
Total assets held for sale	36,175	19,490	1,096	886	75,403	133,050

Assets held for sale had an impairment amounting COP 1,946 and COP 2,190 as of December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. The aforementioned impairment was mainly due to observable transactions with a sale price below the carrying value of assets less the estimated costs to sell.

#### NOTE 13. OTHER ASSETS

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016 the Bank's other assets consist of:

Other Assets	December 31, 2	017 December 31, 2016
In millions of COP		
Tax advance	480,523	581,152
Marketable and non-marketable for sale assets	328,877	337,243
Other receivables (1)	291,235	480,255
Prepaid expenses	287,550	310,759
Advances to asset purchases	251,561	94,150
Assets pledged as collateral	192,036	171,561
Receivables related to abandoned accounts (2)	147,228	110,944
Interbank Borrowings not classified as cash equivalents	125,963	159,398
Receivable Sales of goods and service	117,540	137,248
Commission receivables	97,710	72,002
Commission for letters of credit	72,927	94,835
Balance in credit card clearning house	66,788	63,018
Operating leases	38,653	39,150
Debtors	10,510	18,911
Taxes receivable	7,199	4,474
Interest receivable	1,128	8,794
Others	33,370	100,838
Total other assets	2,550,798	2,784,732
Allowance others	(71,761)	(33,849)
Total other assets, net	2,479,037	2,750,883

<sup>(1)</sup> As of December 31, 2017 corresponds to conciliatory items on correspondent banks and mortgage-backed securities' interest; for December 2016, mainly comprised of insurance claims and cash short and over.

The item corresponds to receivables related to the application of the Colombian Law 1777 of February 1, 2016, which establishes that entities holding accounts deemed abandoned must transfer the related amounts to a fund constituted and regulated by the Icetex (Governmental entity responsible for promoting high quality education in Colombia).

#### NOTE 14. DEPOSITS FROM COSTUMERS

The detail of the deposits as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

Deposits	December 31, 2	017 December 31, 2016
In millions of CO	)P	
Saving accounts	54,255,583	48,693,702
Time deposits	53,961,586	52,673,385
Checking account	ts 22,065,647	21,443,002
Other deposits	1,676,399	1,813,922
Total	131,959,215	124,624,011

The following table details the time deposits ('CDT') issued by the Bank:

CDT	Effective interest rate		<b>December 31, 2017</b>		
Modality	Minimum Maximum Carrying value Fair v				
In millions of COP					
Less than 6 Months	0.10%	6.96%	7,536,280	7,535,719	
Equal to 6 months and less than 12 months	0.20%	8.03%	5,711,157	5,718,827	
Equal to 12 months and less than 18 months	0.20%	9.03%	8,062,290	8,146,366	
Equal to or greater than 18 months	0.01%	18.29%	32,651,859	33,381,189	
Total			53,961,586	54,782,101	

CDT	Effective interest rate December 31, 2016				
Modality	Minimum	Maximum	Carrying value	Fair value	
In millions of COP					
Less than 6 Months	0.01%	8.86%	10,495,536	10,458,936	
Equal to 6 months and less than 12 months	0.20%	9.63%	7,612,216	7,629,195	
Equal to 12 months and less than 18 months	0.01%	10.01%	5,345,522	5,391,407	
Equal to or greater than 18 months	0.01%	18.29%	29,220,111	29,666,246	
Total			52,673,385	53,145,784	

The detail of CDT's issued by the Bank by maturity is as follows:

<b>December 31, 201</b>	17	
Period	Carrying val	ue Fair value
In millions of CO	P	
Less than one year	36,416,439	36,701,555
1 to 3 years	10,525,956	10,727,828
3 to 5 years	5,367,765	5,592,750
More than 5 years	1,651,426	1,759,968
Total	53,961,586	54,782,101

#### **December 31, 2016**

Period	Carrying val	ue Fair value
In millions of COI	P	
Less than one year	34,442,445	34,626,003
1 to 3 years	10,698,266	10,815,760
3 to 5 years	5,401,074	5,505,403
More than 5 years	2,131,600	2,198,618

Total 52,673,385 53,145,784

### NOTE 15. INTERBANK DEPOSITS AND REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS AND OTHER SIMILAR SECURED BORROWING

The following table sets forth information regarding the money market operations recognized as liabilities in the statement of financial position:

Interbank and repurchase agreements and other similar secured	December 3	1, December 31,
borrowing	2017	2016
In millions of COP		
Interbank Deposits		
Interbank liabilities	1,084,591	341,856
Total interbank	1,084,591	341,856
Repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing		
Short selling operations	607,536	880,705
Temporary transfer of securities	2,628,592	918,470
Repurchase agreements	-	124,835
Total Repurchase agreements and other similar secured borrowing (1)	3,236,128	1,924,010
Total money market transactions	4,320,719	2,265,866

<sup>(1)</sup> Total repo liabilities have maturities of less than 30 days.

#### Offsetting of Repurchase and Resale Agreements

For the Bank and its Colombian subsidiaries, substantially all of repurchase and resale activities are transacted under legally enforceable repurchase agreements that give the Bank, in the event of default by the counterparty, the right to liquidate securities held with the same counterparty. However, the local law for certain jurisdictions outside of Colombia is unclear to determine the enforceability of offsetting rights.

The Bank does not offset repurchase and resale transactions with the same counterparty on the consolidated statement of financial position.

The table below presents repurchases and resale transactions included in the consolidated statement of financial position at December 31, 2017 and 2016:

#### As of December 31, 2017

	Assets / liabilities gross	Amounts offset in the statement of financial position	Net balance presented in the statement of financial position	Financial instruments as collaterals	Assets / liabilities net
In millions of COP					
Securities purchased under resale agreements <sup>(1)</sup>	881,061	-	881,061	(881,061)	-
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	(3,236,128)	)-	(3,236,128)	3,236,128	-
Total repurchase and resale agreements	(2,355,067)	)-	(2.355,067)	2,355,067	_

<sup>(1)</sup> The amount includes those presented as cash and cash equivalents and those presented as other assets.

#### As of December 31, 2016

	Assets / liabilities gross	Amounts offset in the statement of financial position	Net balance presented in the statement of financial position	Financial instruments as collaterals	Assets / liabilities net
In millions of COP					
Securities purchased under resale agreements <sup>(1)</sup>	2,643,707	-	2,643,707	(2,643,707)	-
Securities sold under repurchase agreements	(1,924,010)	)-	(1,924,010)	1,924,010	-
<b>Total repurchase and resale agreements</b>	719,697	-	719,697	(719,697)	-

<sup>(1)</sup> The amount includes those presented as cash and cash equivalents and those presented as other assets.

For further information about offsetting of other financial assets and liabilities see Note 5 Financial assets investments and derivatives.

#### NOTE 16. BORROWINGS FROM OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the composition of the borrowings from other financial institutions measured at amortized cost is the following:

## Borrowings from other financial institutions December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016 In millions of COP

13,822,152	18,905,843
7,958,450	13,288,909
5,863,702	5,616,934
	7,958,450

The Bank has recognized a financial liability with BAM Financial Corporation (BFC) amounting to USD 243.2 million as of December 31, 2017 and USD 251.5 million as of December 31, 2016, due to its obligation to pay cash (1) in future to purchase the non-controlling shares of Grupo Agromercantil Holding. The Bank will reclassify the liability to equity if the put expires unexercised. For further information see Note 8.3. Acquisition of Grupo Agromercantil Holding (GAH).

#### Obligations granted by domestic banks

#### As of December 31, 2017

Financial entity	Rate Maxin	num Rate Minir	num December 31, 2017
In millions of COP			
Financiera de Desarrollo Territorial (Findeter)	11.30%	1.05%	2,587,598
Banco De Comercio Exterior De Colombia (Bancoldex)	10.86%	1.76%	1,528,435
Fondo Para El Financiamiento Del Sector Agropecuario (Finagro)	14.90%	1.05%	728,558
Other private financial entities	8.89%	0.07%	1,019,111
Total			5,863,702

#### As of December 31, 2016

Financial entity	Rate Maxin	num Rate Minir	num December 31, 2016
In millions of COP			
Financiera de Desarrollo Territorial (Findeter)	12.77%	1.29%	2,404,521
Banco De Comercio Exterior De Colombia (Bancoldex)	12.48%	0.06%	1,591,035
Fondo Para El Financiamiento Del Sector Agropecuario (Finagro)	12.38%	1.39%	642,775
Other private financial entities	11.86%	2.28%	978,603
Total			5,616,934

The maturities of financial obligations with domestic banks as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, are the following:

Domestic	December 31,	2017 December 31, 2016
In millions of COP		
Amount expected to be settled:		
More than twelve months after the reporting period	5,288,364	5,234,565
No more than twelve months after the reporting period	575,338	382,369
Total	5,863,702	5,616,934

#### Obligations granted by foreign banks

#### As of December 31, 2017

Financial entity	Rate Maxir	mum Rate Minir	num December 31, 2017
In millions of COP			
Financing with correspondent banks	5.66%	1.48%	7,341,713
Corporación Andina de Fomento (CAF)	3.84%	1.85%	311,730
Banco Latinoamericano de Comercio Exterior (Bladex)	4.10%	1.90%	269,946
Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo (BID)	3.96%	3.96%	35,061
Total			7.958.450

As of December 31, 2016

**Financial entity** 

Rate Maximum Rate Minimum December 31, 2016

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#### In millions of COP

Financing with correspondent banks	9.71%	0.88%	12,129,817
Corporación Andina de Fomento (CAF)	4.04%	2.67%	745,086
Banco Latinoamericano de Comercio Exterior (Bladex)	3.83%	1.24%	278,392
Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo (BID)	3.96%	1.54%	135,614
Total			13,288,909

The maturities of the financial obligations with foreign entities as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 are the following:

Foreign	<b>December 31, 2017</b>	<b>December 31, 2016</b>
In millions of COP		
Amount expected to be settled:		
No more than twelve months after the reporting period	7,037,043	9,559,568
More than twelve months after the reporting period	921,407	3,729,341
Total	7,958,450	13,288,909

#### NOTE 17. DEBT SECURITIES IN ISSUE

Duly authorized by the authority in each country bonds have been issued as follows:

#### As of December 31, 2017

Issuer	<b>Currency</b> Face valu	e Balance	Rate Range
Bancolombia S.A.	Local COP 5,162,515	5,247,501	5.59%-IPC <sup>(1)</sup> +7%
Bancolombia S.A.	Foreign USD 3,242,405	9,532,927	1.90%-6.31%
Banco Agrícola S.A.	Foreign USD 547,000	1,622,238	5.36%-7.99%
Bancolombia Panamá S.A.	Foreign USD 260,310	784,567	1.90%-2.90%
Grupo Agromercantil Holding S.A.	Foreign USD 302,264	910,270	0.25%-7.25%
Banismo S.A. y filiales	Foreign USD 519,300	1,551,211	2.65%-3.65%
Total	-	19,648,71	4

<sup>(1)</sup> Consumer price index.

#### As of December 31, 2016

Issuer				Rate Range
Bancolombia S.A.	Local COI	25,458,619	5,562,900	5.49%-IPC <sup>(1)</sup> + $6.9%$
Bancolombia S.A.	Foreign USI	3,246,970	9,814,915	5.54%-7.84%
Banco Agrícola S.A.	Foreign USI	0530,000	1,581,348	4.25%-6.75%
Bancolombia Panamá S.A.	Foreign USI	272,282	826,069	1.30%-2.65%
Grupo Agromercantil Holding S.A.	Foreign USI	302,272	919,577	0.25%-7.25%

Total 18,704,809

(1) Consumer price index.

The breakdown of the Bank securities in issue by maturity is as follows:

#### As of December 31, 2017

Issuer	Less than		3 to 5 years	more than 5 years	<b>Total amortized cost</b>
	a year	•	•	J	
In millions of COP					
Local currency					
Subordinated bonds (1)	-	-	163,778	2,410,209	2,573,987
Ordinary bonds	-	-	802	2,672,712	2,673,514
Foreign currency					
Subordinated bonds (1)	-	-	-	6,156,094	6,156,094
Ordinary bonds	535,020	758,879	44,740	6,906,480	8,245,119
Total	535,020	758,879	209,320	18,145,495	19,648,714

The subordinated bonds, in the event of default of the Bank, will be subordinated to the claims of depositors and all (1) other creditors of the issuer, other than creditors whose claims rank equally with, or are junior to, the claims of the holders of the subordinated liabilities.

#### As of December 31, 2016

Issuer	Less than a year	1 to 3 years	3 to 5 years	more than 5 years	Total amortized cost
In millions of COP					
Local currency					
Subordinated bonds (1)	-	-	495,614	1,875,068	2,370,682
Ordinary bonds	-	13	390,016	2,802,189	3,192,218
Foreign currency					
Subordinated bonds (1)	6,816	-	912,760	6,807,909	7,727,485
Ordinary bonds	826,069	-	970,751	3,617,604	5,414,424
Total	832,885	13	2,769,141	15,102,770	18,704,809

The subordinated bonds, in the event of default of the Bank, will be subordinated to the claims of depositors and all (1) other creditors of the issuer, other than creditors whose claims rank equally with, or are junior to, the claims of the holders of the subordinated liabilities.

The following is a schedule of the debt securities in issue by maturity:

Issuer December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

In millions of COP

Amount expected to be settled:

 No more than twelve months after the reporting period
 2,352,801
 2,018,995

 More than twelve months after the reporting period
 17,295,913
 16,685,814

 Total
 19,648,714
 18,704,809

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, there were no covenants linked to the aforementioned securities in issue, nor were any of these instruments past due by the Bank in relation to its financial obligations.

#### **Issuance of Banistmo Bonds**

On September 12, 2017 Banistmo issued international bonds with a rate of 3.65% for a total amount of USD 500,000 due in 2022. The bonds were sold at a price of 99.778% with an initial return of 3.73%.

The carrying amount recognized was USD 519,842.

#### **Subordinated Notes Offering**

On October 18, 2017, the Bank priced the public offering of USD 750,000 in aggregate principal amount of its Subordinated Notes due October 18, 2027.

The Notes have a 10-year maturity, an optional redemption right on the fifth year and a coupon of 4.875%, payable semi-annually on April 18 and October 18 of each year, beginning on April 18, 2018.

In connection with the Notes Offering, the Bank acquired USD 360,912 of its Notes due 2020 and USD 321,152 of its Notes due 2022, issued on July 26, 2010 and September 4, 2012, respectively, through a private exchange followed by a Dealer Intermediated Tender Offer.

During the transaction, the Bank maintained a third party financial entity as a principal, which was responsible for the execution of the transfer and the exchange. In this regard the Bank has recognized as non-extinguishment the modification of the debt securities in issue corresponding to a portion of the Notes due 2020 and Notes due 2022, then the fees associated with the modified debt instrument amounted to USD 4,303 and, along with the unamortized premium or discount amounted to USD 11,233, were amortized as an adjustment of interest expense over the remaining term of the replacement or modified debt instrument using the interest method.

#### **Green Bonds Offering**

On December 5, 2016, Bancolombia S.A. completed the offering of ordinary bonds in an aggregate principal amount of COP 350,000 with a term of 7 years and a rate of IBR + 2.20% monthly (30/360). The bonds are referred to as Green Bonds because the proceeds from the offering will be used to finance sustainability projects to combat the climate changes, associated with renewable energies and sustainable constructions.

For information related with the disclosures of fair value of the debt securities in issued, see Note 29 fair value of assets and liabilities.

# NOTE 18. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

The following table shows liabilities relating to post-employment benefit plans:

Post-employment and long-term benefit plans		December 31, December 31, 2017 2016		
In millions of COP	2017	2010		
Defined benefit pension plan	131,589	129,931		
Severance obligation	38,041	51,289		
Retirement Pension Premium Plan and Senior Management Pension Plan Premium	119,526	105,158		
Other long term benefits	408,245	364,424		
Post-employment and long-term benefit plans	697,401	650,802		

Short-term employment benefit plans recognized in the statement of financial position in the line "other liabilities" consist of the following:

Other employment benefit plans	Diecember 31, December 31,		
Other employment benefit plans	2017	2016	
In millions of COP			
Current severance obligation <sup>(1)</sup>	106,334	104,352	
Other bonuses and short-term benefits	336,285	336,018	
Other employment benefit plans	442,619	440,370	

(1) See severance obligation

These benefits include all types of payments that the Bank provides to its employees. The recognition of liabilities related to post-employment and long-term employee benefit plans is based on actuarial computations which involve judgments and assumptions made by management (with the assistance of actuaries) related to the future macroeconomic and employee demographic factors, among others, which will not necessarily coincide with the future outcome of such factors.

As of December 31, 2015, the amount recognized through Profit and Losses, due to benefit employee plans' current service cost and interest cost, was COP 114,808; on the other hand, COP 52,895 was recognized through other comprehensive income as a result of the net actuarial gain or loss due to change in assumptions, demographic experience and foreign currency translation effect.

### **Bonuses and short-term benefits**

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the amounts of COP 336,285 and COP 336,018, respectively, were recognized by the Bank as bonuses related to private agreements in connection with the employees' variable compensation.

# **Post-employment benefits**

# Defined benefit pension plan

# Colombia

Under Colombian law, employee pension obligations are managed as a defined contribution plan since 1990. The Bank's legal retirement benefit obligation as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 relates to retired employees who rendered services to the Bank before the current regulations took effect. Under this unfunded plan, benefits are based on length of service and level of compensation. As of December 2017, 673 participants were covered by this plan, and as of December 2016, 693 participants.

For purposes of the projected assessment of the pension plan obligation, in the absence of a deep market of high quality corporate debt, the sovereign bond curve of the Colombian Government is used, with maturity similar to the residual life of the obligation of the projected benefit. The net cost of pensions is accounted for in the statement of income as "salaries and employee benefits", and includes the interest costs and cost of current service.

Unfunded defined benefit pension plan of the Parent Company	2017	2016
In millions of COP		
Present value of the obligation as of January 1	123,282	120,543
Interest cost	8,117	8,998
Benefits paid	(11,553)	(11,114)
Net actuarial (gain) / loss due to changes in demographic assumptions	2,216	514
Net actuarial (gain) / loss due to plan experience	3,418	4,341
Defined obligation, unfunded as of December 31	125,480	123,282

#### **Panama**

The pension plan for Banistmo and its subsidiaries provides defined benefits based on average salary paid during the most recent 120 months before retirement and years of service of certain employees entitled to receive the benefits. The pension benefit vests after 10 years of service. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, there were 62 participants (31 participants with deferred benefits and 31 participants receiving benefits), and 64 participants covered by the Plan (2 active participants, 31 participants with deferred benefits and 31 participants receiving benefits) respectively:

Funded defined benefit pension plan of Banistmo	2017	2016
In millions of COP		
Present value of the obligation as of January 1	6,649	6,688
Interest cost	198	230
Actuarial (gain)/loss - experience	68	446
Actuarial (gain)/loss - financial assumptions	61	190
Benefits paid from plan assets	(825)	(584)
Foreign currency translation effect	(42)	(321)
Defined obligation, unfunded as of December 31	6.109	6.649

### Severance obligation

## Colombia

Under Colombian labor regulations, employees hired before 1990 are entitled to receive one month's salary for each year of service. This benefit accumulates and is paid to the employees upon their termination or retirement from the Bank, calculated based on the employees' last salary base; however, employees may request advances against this benefit at any time. In 1990, the Colombian government revised its labor regulations for new employees to permit companies, subject to the approval of the employees, to transfer this severance obligation annually to private pension funds (this scheme of employee benefits is known as the current severance obligation). The Bank's severance

obligations relate to employees hired before 1990.

As of December 2017 and 2016, 572 and 707 participants respectively, were covered by this plan.

The balances recognized in the statement of financial position are listed below:

Defined benefit severance obligation plan	2017	2016
In millions of COP		
Present value of the obligation as of January 1	51,289	52,209
Current cost of service	2,562	2,144
Interest cost	3,419	4,020
Benefits paid	(11,298	(10,233)
Net actuarial (gain) / loss due to assumption changes and plan experience	(7,931)	3,149
Defined obligation, unfunded as of December 31	38,041	51,289
Current severance regimen	106,334	104,352
Total	144,375	155,641

# Retirement Pension Premium Plan and Senior Management Pension Plan Premium

#### Colombia

Under Colombian labor regulations, employers and employees are entitled to negotiate compensation, other than the retirement benefit prescribed by law, by means of private agreements. The Bank's employees participating in defined contribution plans are entitled to receive, on their retirement date, a one-time payment at the time based on the salary of the employee at their retirement date.

On the other hand, the Bank has established a retirement benefit plan for its senior management executives. Under this plan, the executives are entitled to receive a one-off payment on their retirement date based on the number of years of service to the organization.

# El Salvador

By means of Decree 592 of 2013, under Salvadorian labor regulations, employees are entitled to receive 15 days of salary for each year of service. This benefit is payable upon retirement, resignation, unjustified dismissal, death and disability. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, there were 2,940 and 2,899 participants respectively, covered by the plan.

Additionally, employees of Banco Agrícola and its subsidiaries that were 50 years of age (45 for females) as of March 31, 2005 are entitled through a private agreement to receive one month of salary per year of service, net of the benefit established under Legislative Decree 592 in case of termination due to voluntary retirement. As of December 31, 2017 there were not participants, and 2016, there was 1 participant covered by the plan.

### Guatemala

Grupo Agromercantil Holding has established a retirement pension plan for its employees. Under this plan, the employees are entitled to receive a lifetime payment of 50% of their monthly nominal wage, if they are 70 years old and have 30 years of service, or if they are 65 years old and have 40 years of service. On the other hand, the employees are entitled to receive a lifetime payment of 70% of their monthly nominal wage, if they are 70 years old and have 40 years of service, or they are 65 years old and have 45 years of service.

The annual change of the present value of the obligations of defined benefit plans is as follows:

Retirement Pension Premium Plan and Senior Management Pension Plan Premium	2017	2016
In millions of COP		
Present value of the obligation as of January 1	105,158	395,331
Current service cost	7,294	10,597
Interest cost	6,881	7,211
Benefits paid	(1,224)	(14,933)
First time application effect of IAS 19 to new defined benefit obligation		
	237	-
of Transportempo at December 31, 2017 <sup>(1)</sup>		
Net actuarial (gain) / loss due to assumption changes and plan experience	1,195	7,093
Foreign currency translation effect	(15)	(141)
Defined obligation, unfunded as of December 31	119,520	6105,158

Pursuant to a private agreement reached between Transportempo and its employees, the Bank's subsidiary has (1) decided to recognize a new employee benefit plan based on the employees' seniority and their current salary at the moment when the service is vested.

# Other long term benefits

In addition to legal benefits and the aforementioned post-employment benefits, the Bank grants to its employees other benefits based on the employees' seniority. For the periods ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, the reconciliation of the other long term benefits is set below:

Other long term benefits In millions of COP	2017	2016
Present value of the obligation as of January 1	364,424	271,651
Current service cost	37,433	,
Interest cost	26,329	18,940
Benefits paid	(38,671	(39,092)
Unfunded benefit obligation assumed for GAH at December 31, 2017 (1)	340	-
First time application effect of IAS 19 to new defined benefit obligation		
	614	-
of Renting at December 31, 2017 <sup>(2)</sup>		
Net actuarial (gain) / loss due to assumption changes and plan experience	16,893	84,247(3)
Foreign currency translation effect	883	(512)
Defined obligation, unfunded as of December 31	408,245	364,424

- Former employees have been incorporated again in the Company's payroll due to the private agreement reached between Comamesa (a Guatemalan subsidiary of GAH) and Serviva (security supplier).
- Pursuant to a private agreement reached between Renting and its employees, the Bank's subsidiary has decided to (2) recognize a new employee benefit plan based on the employees' seniority and their current salary at the moment when the service is vested.
- As a result of the acquisition of control of Grupo Agromercantil Holding in 2015, the Bank assumed the obligations (3) related to the termination indemnity plan of Banco Agromercantil de Guatemala, Consejería, Mantenimiento y Mensajería, Seguros Agromercantil (subsidiaries of Grupo Agromercantil Holding).

### Plan Assets - Panama

The Bank, through its subsidiary Banistmo, has established a plan with assets to secure benefits promised by Banistmo to the employees entitled to receive the Pension Plan under the terms described above and to comply with Panama labor code, which specify the terms for securing the payments to be made in the event of an employee's termination (voluntary or involuntary) or upon retirement (termination indemnity plan).

Banistmo's pension and post-retirement plan assets consider investments in fixed-term deposits and cash and due from banks, in order to reduce the investment risk. The plan assets are managed by a trustee (third party). Likewise, the assets allocation is periodically reviewed by Banistmo and, when necessary, adjusted according to the investment strategy. The plan's investment assets are measured at fair value using significant, unobservable market data and, therefore, are classified as Level 3.

The expected return on assets assumption represents the long term rate of return based on analysis of historical returns, historical asset class volatilities and the fund's past experience.

The components of the periodic net cost of the plans previously mentioned and the total of charges (credits) recognized in the consolidated statement of income are as follows:

# Banistmo asset plan December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016 In millions of COP

 Employee pension plan 4,765
 5,565

 Total
 4,765

The following table details the change in plan assets:

	2017	2016
In millions of COP		
Fair value of assets as of January 1	5,565	6,087
Interest income on plan assets	123	209
Return on plan assets greater/(less) than discount rate	(58)	130
Benefits paid	(825)	(584)
Foreign currency translation effect	(40)	(277)
Fair value assets as of December 31	4,765	5,565

## **Defined contribution plans**

The expense recognized in the line "Salaries and employee benefits" of the consolidated statement of income for defined contribution plans, for current severance regimen and pension benefits, is as follows:

# Defined contribution plans 2017 2016

In millions of COP

 Pension
 171,713159,525

 Current severance regimen
 79,246 74,816

 Total
 250,959234,341

The economic assumptions used in the determination of the present value of the defined benefit plans, in nominal terms, are as follows:

# Colombia

# Main projected assumptions December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

Discount rate	6.60%	6.90%
Rate of wage increase	7.00%	9.00%
Projected inflation	4.00%	6.50%

# Bancolombia Panama

# Main projected assumptions December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

Discount rate	3.00%	3.10%
Rate of wage increase	3.00%	3.00%
Projected inflation	2.00%	2.00%

# **Banistmo**

# Main projected assumptions December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

Discount rate	3.00%	3.10%
Expected long-term rate of return on plan assets	2.10%	6.00%
Rate of wage increase	3.00%	3.00%

# El Salvador

# Main projected assumptions December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

Discount rate	3.60%	5.10%
Rate of wage increase	2.50%	3.00%
Projected inflation	1.50%	2.00%

# Guatemala

# Main projected assumptions December 31, 2017 December 31, 2016

Discount rate	8.20%	8.20%
Rate of wage increase	5.00%	5.03%
Projected inflation	4.00%	4.00%

In 2017, the assumption of mortality used in the preparation of the assessment of the estimated liabilities is based on tables RP-2000, CSO-80 and RV-08, which reflect average ages of mortality from 32-75 years. The rate used to discount the obligation of the defined benefit plan to reflect the duration of the labor liabilities as of December 2017 corresponds to the yield of sovereign bonds of each country where the plan is established, either Colombia, Panama, Guatemala and El Salvador, as applicable, since the market transactions of these countries involving corporate bonds of high quality have no high levels of activity. The assumption of the rate of inflation is based on the long term projection of the Central Bank of Colombia, Panama, Guatemala and El Salvador.

The nature of the risks related to the obligations aforementioned are summarized below:

Investment risk	The present value of the obligation for the defined benefits plan is calculated using a discount rate determined with reference to high quality sovereign yields of each country. Currently, the plan includes investment in financial instruments that are not vulnerable to market risks
Interest rate risks	A reduction of the bond interest rates will increase the obligation of the plan
Longevity risk	The present value of the obligation of the defined benefit plan is calculated with reference to the highest estimate of the mortality of participants during their time of employment. An increase in the life expectancy of the participants will increase the plan obligation
Salary risk	The present value of the obligation of the benefit plan is calculated with reference to the future salaries of the participants. As such, an increase in the participants' wages will increase the obligation of the plan

# **Estimated payment of future benefits**

The payments of benefits, which reflect future service rendered, are considered to be paid as follows:

Years	Pension B	enefits Other benefits
In milli	ons of COP	
2018	12,604	58,550
2019	12,672	55,384
2020	12,698	55,847
2021	12,649	65,396
2022	12,507	72,098
2023 to	<b>2027</b> 58,148	357,577

# Sensitivity analysis

Defined Benefit Obligations (DBO) was calculated using the Projected Unit Credit method. Obligations and expenses will change in the future as a result of future changes in the methods of projection and assumption, participant information, plan provisions and regulations, or as resulting from future gains and losses.

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Assumption	Value	(Increase/Decrease)	Effect on DBO
In millions of C	COP		
Discount rate	7.10%	0.50% increase	(4,542)
Discount rate	6.10%	0.50% decrease	4,864
Salary increases	3.90%	0.50% increase	5,280
Salary increases	2.90%	0.50% decrease	(4,964)
Mortality Table	RV-08 ("Valid Rentiers"	"One year increase in life expectancy	5,085

# **Retirement Pension Premium Plan**

# Assumption Value (Increase/Decrease) Effect on DBO In millions of COP

Discount rate	7.10% 0.50% increase	(4,854)
Discount rate	6.10% 0.50% decrease	5,348
Salary increases	6.40% 0.50% increase	5,390
Salary increases	5.40% 0.50% decrease	(4,935)

# **Severance obligation**

# Assumption Value (Increase/Decrease) Effect on DBO In millions of COP

Discount rate	7.10% 0.50% increase	(980)
Discount rate	6.10% 0.50% decrease	1,023
Salary increase	s 6.40% 0.50% increase	2,228
Salary increase	s 5.40% 0.50% decrease	(2,156)

# **Senior Management Pension Plan Premium**

# Assumption Value (Increase/Decrease) Effect on DBO In millions of COP

Discount rate	7.10% 0.50% increase	(987)
Discount rate	6.10% 0.50% decrease	1,040
Salary increase	es 6.40% 0.50% increase	1,331
Salary increase	es 5 40%0 50% decrease	