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for the three month period ended 31 March 2023



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Management report on the condensed consolidated interim financial information for the three month period ended 31 March 2023

Financial Review

1. Revenue, profit and earnings per share

e&'s financial performance for the three month period ended 31 March 2023 is summarised below:

i) Consolidated revenue amounted to AED 13,002 million, representing a decrease of AED 329 million (2.5 %) compared to the corresponding period in the prior year.

ii) Profit attributable to the Owners of the Company amounted to AED 2,187 million, representing a decrease of AED 247 million (10.2 %) when compared to the corresponding period in the prior year.

iii) Earnings per share decreased by AED 0.03 when compared to the corresponding period in the prior year.

2. Net assets

As compared to 31 December 2022, e&'s net assets increased by AED 1,498 million to AED 51,497 million as at 31 March 2023.

3. Capital expenditure

e& incurred AED 1,096 million capital expenditure in the three month period ended 31 March 2023 (AED 1,644 million in the three month period ended 31 March 2022).

4. Dividends

On 11 April 2023, at the Annual General Assembly Meeting a final dividend for the year 2022 at the rate of AED 0.40 per share was approved for distribution to the shareholders registered at the close of business on 24 April 2023.



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Independent Auditors' Report on Review of Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Information

To the Shareholders of the Emirates Telecommunications Group Company PJSC

Introduction

We have reviewed the accompanying 31 March 2023 condensed consolidated interim financial information of Emirates Telecommunications Group Company PJSC ("the Company") and its subsidiaries (together referred to as "the Group or collectively as e&"), which comprises:

- the condensed consolidated interim statement of financial position as at 31 March 2023;
- the condensed consolidated interim statement of profit or loss for the three-month period ended 31 March 2023;
- the condensed consolidated interim statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the three-month period ended 31 March 2023;
- the condensed consolidated interim statement of changes in equity for the three-month period ended 31 March 2023;
- the condensed consolidated interim statement of cash flows for the three-month period ended 31 March 2023; and
- notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial information.

Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of this condensed consolidated interim financial information in accordance with IAS 34, '*Interim Financial Reporting*'. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on this condensed consolidated interim financial information based on our review.



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*Independent Auditors' Report on
Review of Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Information
31 March 2023*

Scope of Review

We conducted our review in accordance with the International Standard on Review Engagements 2410, *“Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity”*. A review of condensed interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying 31 March 2023 condensed consolidated interim financial information is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34, *‘Interim Financial Reporting’*.

KPMG Lower Gulf Limited

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Date: 02 May 2023

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Condensed consolidated interim statement of profit or loss for the period

	Note	(Unaudited)	
		Three month ended 31 March	
		2023	2022
		AED'000	AED'000
Revenue	4	13,002,492	13,331,210
Operating expenses	5	(8,700,278)	(8,265,457)
Impairment loss on trade receivables and contract assets		(144,608)	(233,712)
Impairment loss on other assets - net		(17,905)	44
Share of results of associates and joint ventures		140,807	10,980
Operating profit before federal royalty		4,280,508	4,843,065
Federal royalty	5	(1,341,735)	(1,427,222)
Operating profit		2,938,773	3,415,843
Finance and other income		535,379	211,943
Finance and other costs		(862,443)	(484,608)
Profit before tax		2,611,709	3,143,178
Income tax expenses		(309,187)	(391,589)
Profit for the period		2,302,522	2,751,589
Profit attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		2,186,760	2,433,823
Non-controlling interests		115,762	317,766
		2,302,522	2,751,589
Earnings per share			
Basic and diluted	6	AED 0.25	AED 0.28

The accompanying notes on pages 9 to 21 form an integral part of the condensed consolidated interim financial information.

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Condensed consolidated interim statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the period
(Unaudited)

	Notes	Three month ended 31 March	
		2023	2022
		AED'000	AED'000
Profit for the period		2,302,522	2,751,589
Other comprehensive income / (loss)			
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:			
Remeasurement of defined benefit obligation - net of tax		10,000	19,294
Items that are or may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations		(997,784)	(1,901,698)
(Loss)/gain on net investment hedge during the period	16	(178,429)	130,354
Fair value gain arising on cash flow hedges during the period	16	(19,647)	103,491
Gain on revaluation of financial assets during the period		863,127	5,568
Total other comprehensive loss		(322,733)	(1,642,991)
Total comprehensive income for the period		1,979,789	1,108,598
Total comprehensive income / (loss) attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		2,503,921	1,350,079
Non-controlling interests		(524,132)	(241,481)
		1,979,789	1,108,598

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Condensed consolidated interim statement of financial position

	Notes	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
		31 March	31 December
		2023	2022
		AED'000	AED'000
Non-current assets			
Goodwill and other intangible assets	7	21,961,680	22,339,232
Property, plant and equipment	8	38,047,551	39,925,299
Right-of-use assets	21	1,743,802	1,781,560
Investments in associates and joint ventures		8,410,878	8,266,101
Other investments	17	20,732,887	15,715,504
Trade and other receivables	9	471,119	446,248
Finance lease receivables		1,121,245	1,138,181
Derivative financial instruments		171,015	208,220
Contract assets		619,767	556,768
Deferred tax assets		266,793	220,111
		93,546,737	90,597,224
Current assets			
Inventories		1,155,024	972,875
Trade and other receivables	9	16,534,651	15,647,768
Current income tax assets		361,514	484,686
Finance lease receivables		108,022	195,533
Due from related parties	14	148,369	112,319
Contract assets		1,757,670	1,824,918
Other investments	17	1,653,129	2,407,143
Derivative financial instruments	16	2,108	3,357
Cash and bank balances	10	31,453,985	32,839,482
		53,174,472	54,488,081
Total assets		146,721,209	145,085,305
Non-current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	11	1,107,637	1,247,240
Borrowings	15	24,066,015	24,209,643
Payables related to investments and licenses		238,517	302,250
Deferred tax liabilities		1,599,093	1,645,275
Lease liabilities	22	2,513,424	2,602,977
Provisions		382,563	381,677
Provision for employees' end of service benefits	20	1,086,645	1,166,134
Contract liabilities		71,795	97,855
		31,065,689	31,653,051
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	11	32,300,048	30,583,955
Contract liabilities		2,820,651	2,991,721
Borrowings	15	22,869,285	23,744,566
Payables related to investments and licenses		12,611	13,686
Current income tax liabilities		407,658	415,036
Lease liabilities	22	569,079	542,233
Provisions		5,065,284	5,028,677
Provision for employees' end of service benefits	20	113,637	113,280
		64,158,253	63,433,154
Total liabilities		95,223,942	95,086,205
Equity			
Share capital	23	8,696,754	8,696,754
Reserves		20,547,285	20,240,124
Retained earnings		15,521,611	13,326,978
Equity attributable to the owners of the Company		44,765,650	42,263,856
Non-controlling interests		6,731,617	7,735,244
Total equity		51,497,267	49,999,100
Total liabilities and equity		146,721,209	145,085,305

To the best of our knowledge, the financial information included in this condensed consolidated interim financial information presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Group as of, and for, the periods presented therein.

The accompanying notes on pages 9 to 21 form an integral part of the condensed consolidated interim financial information.

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Condensed consolidated interim statement of changes in equity for the three month period ended 31 March 2023 (Unaudited)

	Attributable to owners of the Company				Non-controlling interests	Total equity	
	Notes	Share capital AED'000	Reserves AED'000	Retained earnings AED'000			Owners' equity AED'000
Balance at 1 January 2022		8,696,754	28,598,188	10,291,094	47,586,036	9,977,786	57,563,822
Profit for the period		-	-	2,433,823	2,433,823	317,766	2,751,589
Other comprehensive (loss) / income for the period		-	(1,103,038)	19,294	(1,083,744)	(559,247)	(1,642,991)
Other movements in equity		-	(865)	(6,471)	(7,336)	(17,964)	(25,300)
<i>Transactions with owners of the Company:</i>							
Dividends		-	-	-	-	(189,634)	(189,634)
Balance at 31 March 2022		8,696,754	27,494,285	12,737,740	48,928,779	9,528,707	58,457,486
Balance at 1 January 2023		8,696,754	20,240,124	13,326,978	42,263,856	7,735,244	49,999,100
Profit for the period		-	-	2,186,760	2,186,760	115,762	2,302,522
Other comprehensive (loss) / income for the period		-	307,161	10,000	317,161	(639,894)	(322,733)
Other movements in equity		-	-	(2,127)	(2,127)	(5,944)	(8,071)
<i>Transactions with owners of the Company:</i>							
Dividends		-	-	-	-	(473,551)	(473,551)
Balance at 31 March 2023		8,696,754	20,547,285	15,521,611	44,765,650	6,731,617	51,497,267

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Condensed consolidated interim statement of cash flows for the period

	Notes	Unaudited three month ended 31 March	
		2023	2022
		AED'000	AED'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Operating profit		2,938,773	3,415,843
<i>Adjustments for:</i>			
Depreciation	5	1,394,137	1,520,684
Amortisation	5	367,996	452,998
Impairment and other losses		17,905	(44)
Share of results of associates and joint ventures		(140,807)	(10,980)
Provisions and allowances		82,134	139,160
Unrealised currency translation gain		147,253	41,201
Operating cash flows before changes in working capital		4,807,391	5,558,862
<i>Changes in working capital:</i>			
Inventories		(213,738)	(123,007)
Due from associates and joint ventures		(36,050)	(11,015)
Trade and other receivables including contract assets		(2,045,826)	(1,861,979)
Trade and other payables including contract liabilities		1,861,812	2,864,334
Cash generated from operations		4,373,589	6,427,195
Income taxes paid		(426,445)	(304,634)
Payment of end of service benefits		(19,519)	(22,334)
Net cash generated from operating activities		3,927,625	6,100,227
Cash flows from investing activities			
Acquisition of a subsidiary (net of cash)		(60,146)	(30,249)
Investment in an associate		(3,970)	(638,889)
Acquisition of investment classified as fair value through OCI		(3,228,167)	(2,098,079)
Acquisition of investment classified as fair value through profit or loss		-	(1,909)
Proceeds from disposal of investment classified as fair value through profit or loss		1,092,916	300,590
Proceeds from disposal of investment classified as fair value through OCI		246,127	-
Acquisition of other investments		(11,079)	(16,058)
Acquisition of investments at amortised cost		(1,827,119)	(92,018)
Proceeds from disposal of investments at amortised cost		171,423	129,128
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(857,704)	(1,151,650)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		25,901	8,109
Purchase of intangible assets		(238,741)	(492,627)
Dividend income received from associates and other investments		516,799	27,933
Term deposits made with maturities over three months		(6,330,295)	(1,856,981)
Term deposits matured with maturities over three months		6,909,904	6,520,325
Cash flows from unwinding of derivative financial instruments		18,767	(12,698)
Finance and other income received		505,097	193,754
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities		(3,070,287)	788,681
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings		1,285,620	1,319,649
Repayments of borrowings		(1,795,331)	(2,169,669)
Payment of lease liabilities		(138,599)	(169,874)
Dividends paid		(23,468)	-
Finance and other costs paid		(630,873)	(459,269)
Net cash used in financing activities		(1,302,651)	(1,479,163)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(445,313)	5,409,745
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		3,202,195	19,911,520
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash held		(360,574)	(106,825)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	10	2,396,308	25,214,440

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Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial information for the three month period ended 31 March 2023

1. General information

e& comprises Emirates Telecommunications Group Company PJSC (“the Company”), formerly known as Emirates Telecommunications Corporation (“the Corporation”) and its subsidiaries. The Corporation was incorporated in the United Arab Emirates (“UAE”), with limited liability, in 1976 by UAE Federal Government decree No. 78, which was revised by the UAE Federal Act No. (1) of 1991 (Etisalat Law) and further amended by Decretal Federal Code No. 3 of 2003 concerning the regulation of the telecommunications sector in the UAE. In accordance with Federal Law No. 267/10 for 2009, the Federal Government of the UAE transferred its 60% holding in the Corporation to the Emirates Investment Authority with effect from 1 January 2008, which is ultimately controlled by the UAE Federal Government.

The Federal-Decree Law No. 3 of 2015 (“the New Law”) has amended certain provisions of Etisalat Law and new articles of association of Emirates Telecommunications Group Company PJSC (the “New AoA”) have been issued. Subsequent to the New Law and the New AoA, Emirates Telecommunications Corporation has been converted from a corporation to a public joint stock company and is subject to the provisions of UAE Federal Law No. 2 of 2015 on Commercial Companies (the “Companies Law”) unless otherwise stated in the Etisalat Law or New AoA. Accordingly, the name of the corporation has been changed to Emirates Telecommunications Group Company PJSC. Etisalat Law was further amended by Federal Decree -Law No. 1 of 2021, which increased the Non-UAE nationals ownership cap from 20% to 49% of the Company share capital.

Federal Decree - Law No. 26 of 2020 which amends certain provisions of Federal Law No. 2 of 2015 on Commercial Companies was issued on 27 September 2020 and the amendments came into effect on 2 January 2021 with one-year grace period for the existing companies which are subject to its provisions to adjust their status. e& held a General Assembly meeting on 8th December 2021, which approved all the necessary amendments to the Articles of Association to be aligned with Federal-Decree Law No. 26 of 2020.

Under the New Law and the New AoA: i) Two types of share have been introduced, i.e. ordinary shares and one Special Share held by the Emirates Investment Authority (“the Special Shareholder”) which carries certain preferential rights related to the passing of certain decisions by the Company. ii) The minimum number of ordinary shares held by any UAE government entity in the Company has been reduced from at least 60% of the Company’s share capital to not less than 51%, unless the Special Shareholder decides otherwise. iii) Shareholders, natural or legal person, who are Non-UAE National may own up to 20% of the Company’s ordinary shares, however, the shares owned by such persons / entities shall not hold any voting rights in the Company’s general assembly, although holders of such shares may attend such meeting. On 11 October 2018, the Board of Directors of e& approved by circulation to lift the restrictions on voting rights of foreign shareholders so that they shall enjoy the same voting rights of UAE citizens. Accordingly, a special resolution was passed during the Annual General Meeting held on 20 March 2019 to that effect, all required approvals were obtained and all necessary amendments were incorporated in the New AoA to put the afore-said resolution in place. e&’s Board of Directors, in its meeting on 20 January 2021, recommended to increase the foreign ownership limit from 20% to 49% of the Company’s share capital subject to the approval of e&’s General Assembly scheduled on 17 March 2021 and the approval of the competent authorities. On 29 August 2021, e& secured the required approvals for increasing the foreign ownership limit in its share capital to 49% and accordingly, the new foreign ownership limits have come into effect.

On 20 September 2021, the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021 was issued and came into effect on 2 January 2022 which repealed the UAE Federal Law No. (2) of 2015. Companies have (1) one year from 2 January 2022 to comply with the provisions of the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021. The Company’s annual general assembly approved in its meeting held on 5th April 2022 the amendments to its Articles of Association, in order to be compliant with the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021, and such amendments were also approved by Telecommunications and Digital Government Regulatory Authority (TDRA) via its Chairman resolution No. 18 of 2022 dated 27 June 2022 and published in the Official Gazette No 730 issued on 30 June 2022.

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1. General information *(continued)*

The address of the registered office of the Company is P.O. Box 3838, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. The Company's shares are listed on the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange.

This condensed consolidated interim financial information as at and for the three month ended 31 March 2023 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries ('the Group' or collectively as 'e&').

This condensed consolidated interim financial information was approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 2 May 2023.

2. Basis of preparation

This condensed consolidated interim financial information has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the applicable requirements of the UAE Federal Law No. 32 of 2021.

On 20 September 2021, the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021 was issued and came into effect on 2 January 2022 which repealed the UAE Federal Law No. (2) of 2015. Companies have (1) one year from 2 January 2022 to comply with the provisions of the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021. The Company's annual general assembly approved in its meeting held on 5th April 2022 the amendments to its Articles of Association, in order to be compliant with the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021, and such amendments were also approved by Telecommunications and Digital Government Regulatory Authority (TDRA) via its Chairman resolution No. 18 of 2022 dated 27 June 2022 and published in the Official Gazette No 730 issued on 30 June 2022.

The information presented herein should be read in conjunction with e&'s last annual consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2022. This condensed consolidated interim financial information does not include all the information required for a complete set of IFRS financial statements. However, selected explanatory notes are included to explain events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in e&'s financial position and performance since the last annual financial statements.

The preparation of financial information in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying e&'s accounting policies. Actual results may differ from these estimates and judgments. The significant judgements made by management in applying e&'s accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those described in the last annual financial statements.

This condensed consolidated interim financial information is prepared under the historical cost convention except for the revaluation of certain financial instruments and in accordance with e&'s accounting policies as described in the last annual financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The accounting policies applied in the condensed consolidated financial information are the same as those applied in e&'s consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The condensed consolidated interim financial information is presented in UAE Dirhams (AED) which is the Company's functional and presentation currency, rounded to the nearest thousand except where otherwise indicated.

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3. Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies and the methods of computation adopted in the preparation of this condensed consolidated interim financial information are the same as those applied in the preparation of preceding annual published financial statements of e& for the year ended 31 December 2022.

a) New and amended standards adopted by e&

The following revised new and amended standards have been adopted in the condensed consolidated interim financial information.

- IFRS 17 Insurance contracts
- Deferred Tax Related to Assets and Liabilities Arising from a Single Transaction (*Amendments to IAS 12*)
- Disclosure of Accounting Policies (*Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2*)
- Definition of Accounting Estimate (*Amendments to IAS 8*)

There has been no material impact on the condensed consolidated interim financial information of e& upon adoption of the above new and amended standards.

b) New and amended standards not effective and not yet adopted by e&

At the date of the condensed consolidated interim financial information, the following other standards, amendments and Interpretations have not been effective and have not been early adopted by e&:

New and amended standards not effective and not yet adopted by e&	Effective date
Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback – Amendments to IFRS 16	1 January 2024
Classification of liabilities as Current or Non-current (<i>Amendments to IAS 1</i>)	1 January 2024
Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture (Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28)	Effective date deferred indefinitely

These new and amended standards are not expected to have a significant impact on e&'s condensed consolidated interim financial information.

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4. Segmental information

Information regarding e&'s operating segments is set out below in accordance with IFRS 8 *Operating Segments*. IFRS 8 requires operating segments to be identified on the basis of internal reports that are regularly reviewed by e&'s chief operating decision maker and used to allocate resources to the segments and to assess their performance.

a) Products and services from which reportable segments derive their revenues

e& is engaged in a single line of business, being the supply of telecommunications services and related products. The majority of e&'s revenues, profits and assets relate to its operations in the UAE. Outside of the UAE, e& operates through its subsidiaries and associates in sixteen countries which are divided into the following operating segments:

- Morocco
- Egypt
- Pakistan
- International - others

Revenue is attributed to an operating segment based on the location of the associated companies reporting the revenue. Inter-segment sales are charged at agreed terms and prices.

e&'s share of results from associates and joint ventures has been allocated to the segments based on the geographical location of the operations of the associate and joint venture investments. The allocation is in line with how results from investments in associates and joint ventures are reported to e&'s Board of Directors ("Board of Directors").

b) Segment revenues and results

Segment results represent operating profit earned by each segment without allocation of finance income, finance costs and federal royalty. This is the measure reported to the Board of Directors for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance.

c) Segment assets

For the purposes of monitoring segment performance and allocating resources between segments, the Board of Directors monitors the total and non-current assets attributable to each segment. Goodwill is allocated based on separately identifiable Cash Generating Units. Assets used jointly by reportable segments are allocated on the basis of the revenues earned by individual reportable segments.

The segment information has been provided on the following page.

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4. Segmental information (continued)

	International					Eliminations AED'000	Consolidated AED'000
	UAE AED'000	Morocco AED'000	Egypt AED'000	Pakistan AED'000	Others AED'000		
Three month ended 31 March 2023							
Revenue							
External revenue	8,405,329	1,465,598	808,827	577,592	1,745,146	-	13,002,492
Inter-segment revenue	40,754	99,250	11,146	29,586	24,699	(205,435)	-
Total revenue	8,446,083	1,564,848	819,973	607,178	1,769,845	(205,435)	13,002,492
Segment result	3,208,388	534,626	104,449	(102,769)	535,814	-	4,280,508
Federal royalty							(1,341,735)
Finance and other income							535,379
Finance and other costs							(862,443)
Profit before tax							2,611,709
Income tax expenses							(309,187)
Profit for the period							2,302,522
Total assets at 31 March 2023	80,377,028	27,678,660	6,699,829	9,663,067	34,709,594	(12,406,969)	146,721,209
Three month ended 31 March 2022							
Revenue							
External revenue	8,016,749	1,675,397	1,286,652	694,568	1,657,844	-	13,331,210
Inter-segment revenue	60,508	117,144	11,262	29,235	22,282	(240,431)	-
Total revenue	8,077,257	1,792,541	1,297,914	723,803	1,680,126	(240,431)	13,331,210
Segment result	3,492,391	583,637	290,044	(45,253)	522,246	-	4,843,065
Federal royalty							(1,427,222)
Finance and other income							211,943
Finance and other costs							(484,608)
Profit before tax							3,143,178
Taxation							(391,589)
Profit for the period							2,751,589
Total assets at 31 December 2022	79,716,460	27,690,132	7,731,604	12,375,589	30,310,249	(12,738,729)	145,085,305
Breakdown of external revenue;							
The following is an analysis of the Group's external revenue							
Three month ended 31 March 2023							
Mobile	2,865,811	722,341	724,652	207,860	1,600,303	-	6,120,967
Fixed	2,859,426	606,720	58,138	271,372	111,544	-	3,907,200
Equipment	596,824	66,042	9,424	2,920	7,649	-	682,859
Others	2,083,268	70,495	16,613	95,440	25,650	-	2,291,466
Total	8,405,329	1,465,598	808,827	577,592	1,745,146	-	13,002,492
Three month ended 31 March 2022							
Mobile	2,840,906	880,088	1,053,029	228,031	1,532,289	-	6,534,343
Fixed	2,791,630	670,198	89,454	337,289	113,960	-	4,002,531
Equipment	451,310	63,165	24,992	3,718	3,635	-	546,820
Others	1,932,903	61,946	119,177	125,530	7,960	-	2,247,516
Total	8,016,749	1,675,397	1,286,652	694,568	1,657,844	-	13,331,210

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5. Operating expenses and federal royalty

a) Operating expenses	Note	Three month ended 31 March	
		2023	2022
		AED'000	AED'000
Direct cost of sales		3,692,748	3,237,356
Staff costs		1,111,947	1,138,249
Depreciation		1,394,137	1,520,684
Network and other related costs		694,485	736,613
Amortisation		367,996	452,998
Regulatory expenses	(i)	359,545	389,867
Marketing expenses		198,626	237,686
Consultancy cost		132,856	155,951
Operating lease rentals		15,870	11,307
IT costs		114,555	104,263
Foreign exchange loss/(income)		263,381	(4,845)
Other operating expenses		354,132	285,328
Operating expenses (before federal royalty)		8,700,278	8,265,457

i) Regulatory expenses:

Regulatory expenses include ICT fund contributions required to be paid by the Company to the UAE Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA) at 1% of its net regulated revenue annually.

b) Federal royalty

In accordance with the Cabinet decision No. 558/1 for the year 1991, the Company was required to pay a federal royalty, equivalent to 40% of its annual net profit before such federal royalty, to the UAE Government for use of federal facilities. With effect from 1 June 1998, Cabinet decision No. 325/28M for 1998, it was increased to 50%.

On 9 December 2012, the Cabinet of Ministers of UAE issued decision no. 320/15/23 of 2012 in respect of a new royalty mechanism applicable to the Company. Under this mechanism a distinction was made between revenue earned from services regulated by Telecommunications Regulatory Authority ("TRA") and non-regulated services as well as between foreign and local profits. The Company was required to pay 15% royalty fee on the UAE regulated revenues and 35% of net profit after deduction of the 15% royalty fee on the UAE regulated revenues. In respect of foreign profit, the 35% royalty was reduced by the amount that the foreign profit has already been subject to foreign taxes.

On 25 February 2015, the MoF issued revised guidelines (which were received by the Company on 1 March 2015) for the computation of federal royalty for the financial years ended 31 December 2014, 2015 and 2016 (the "Guidelines"). In accordance with the Guidelines, the royalty rate for 2016 was reduced to 30% of net profit after deduction of the 15% royalty fee on the UAE regulated revenues.

On 20 February 2017, the MoF announced the federal royalty scheme to be applied on e& for the periods 2017 to 2021 ("the new royalty scheme"). According to the new royalty scheme, e& will pay 15% royalty fees on the UAE regulated revenue and 30% royalty fees on profit generated from regulated services after deduction of the 15% royalty fees on the UAE regulated revenue. Royalty fees on profits from international operations shall be considered only if similar fees paid in the country of origin are less than the fees that could have been imposed in the UAE. Consequent to the issuance of the new royalty scheme, clarifications were obtained and correspondences were exchanged between e& and MoF (the "Correspondence").

On 03 January 2022, the MoF issued new guidelines for the computation of federal royalty for the financial years 2022 to 2024 (the "new guidelines") with no changes to the guidelines issued previously in February 2017. Accordingly, there will be no change in the rates for payment of federal royalty by e& in the financial years 2022 to 2024.

The mechanism for the computation of federal royalty payable for the period ended 31 March 2023 was in accordance with the new guidelines and the Correspondence.

The federal royalty has been classified as an operating expense in the consolidated interim statement of profit or loss on the basis that the expenses the Company would otherwise have had to incur for the use of the federal facilities would have been classified as operating expenses.

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6. Earnings per share

	Three month ended 31 March	
	2023	2022
Earnings (AED'000)		
Earnings for the purposes of basic earnings per share being the profit attributable to the owners of the Company	2,186,760	2,433,823
Number of shares ('000)		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purposes of basic earnings per share	8,696,754	8,696,754
Earnings per share		
Basic and diluted	AED 0.25	AED 0.28

e& does not have potentially dilutive shares and accordingly, diluted earnings per share equals to basic earnings per share.

7. Goodwill and other intangible assets

The movement in the Goodwill and other intangible assets is provided below:

	31 March	31 December
	2023	2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Opening balance	22,339,232	25,830,041
Additions	238,741	1,289,877
Acquisition of a subsidiary	89,424	904,337
Disposals	(1,356)	(897)
Amortisation and impairment losses	(374,388)	(1,847,393)
Exchange difference	(329,973)	(3,836,733)
Closing balance	21,961,680	22,339,232

8. Property, plant and equipment

	31 March	31 December
	2023	2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Opening balance	39,925,299	43,715,088
Additions	857,704	6,747,423
Transfers	-	(3,011)
Disposals	(7,798)	(860,004)
Depreciation	(1,254,060)	(5,231,181)
Impairment charge	(135)	(952)
Acquisition of a subsidiary	50	2,414
Exchange difference	(1,473,509)	(4,444,478)
Closing balance	38,047,551	39,925,299

9. Trade and other receivables

	31 March	31 December
	2023	2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Amount receivable for services rendered	10,444,696	10,165,615
Amounts due from other telecommunication operators/carriers	3,640,376	3,116,546
Total gross carrying amount	14,085,072	13,282,161
Lifetime expected credit loss	(3,240,175)	(3,153,474)
Net trade receivables	10,844,897	10,128,687
Prepayments	1,045,062	705,846
Accrued income	968,041	738,443
Advances to suppliers	1,112,285	1,168,158
Indirect taxes receivable	300,637	468,350
Dividend receivable	-	499,197
Other receivables	2,734,848	2,385,335
Net trade and other receivables	17,005,770	16,094,016
Total trade and other receivables	17,005,770	16,094,016
of which current trade and other receivables	16,534,651	15,647,768
of which non-current other receivables	471,119	446,248

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10. Cash and cash equivalents

	31 March 2023 AED'000	31 December 2022 AED'000
Maintained in UAE	22,418,142	25,508,121
Maintained overseas, unrestricted in use	8,857,062	7,117,467
Maintained overseas, restricted in use	178,781	213,894
Cash and bank balances	31,453,985	32,839,482
Less: Deposits with maturities exceeding three months from the date of deposit	(29,057,677)	(29,637,287)
Cash and cash equivalents	2,396,308	3,202,195

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. These are denominated primarily in UAE Dirham, with financial institutions and banks. Interest is earned on these investments at prevailing market rates. The carrying amount of these assets approximates to their fair value.

11. Trade and other payables

	31 March 2023 AED'000	31 December 2022 AED'000
Current		
Federal royalty	7,112,515	5,770,780
Trade payables	6,674,233	6,532,655
Amounts due to other telecommunication operators/carriers	4,143,054	3,487,196
Accruals	8,070,670	8,645,615
Other taxes payable	1,835,110	1,715,682
Advances from customers	381,809	354,993
Deferred income	211,168	189,218
Funds payable and amounts due to customers	1,982,160	2,108,522
Other payables and accruals	1,889,329	1,779,294
	32,300,048	30,583,955
Non-current		
Other payables	1,107,637	1,247,240
	1,107,637	1,247,240

12. Contingent liabilities

(i) e& and its associates are disputing certain charges from the governmental and telecom regulatory agencies and telecom operators in certain International jurisdictions but do not expect any material adverse effect on e&'s financial position and results from resolution of these disputes.

(ii) In 2010, Pakistan Telecommunication Employees Trust ("PTET") board approved the pension increase which was less than the increase notified by the Government of Pakistan ("GoP"). Thereafter, pensioners filed several Writ Petitions. After a series of hearings, on 12 June 2015 the Apex Court decided the case in the interest of pensioners.

On 13 July 2015, Review Petitions were filed in Supreme Court of Pakistan by PTCL, the PTET and the GoP (together, the "Review Petitioners") against the Supreme Court Judgment.

The Supreme Court disposed the Review Petitions and directed the Review Petitioners to seek remedy under section 12(2) of the Civil Procedure Code (the "CPC"), and to pursue all grounds of law and fact in other cases pending before High Courts. The Review Petitioners have filed the applications under section 12(2) CPC before respective High Courts.

The decision of the Appeals bench of the Supreme Court on 10 May 2018 clarified that voluntary separation scheme ("VSS") pensioners are excluded from any obligation on PTCL to pay them any additional increase in pension. Notwithstanding this development, many retirees, including VSS pensioners, have continued to submit petitions before the Supreme Court. The Chief Justice of Pakistan has decided to bring the matter back for a rehearing by the Supreme Court.

Separately, the Islamabad High Court (IHC) issued a decision on 3 March 2020, in which it upheld the rights of certain retirees ("T&T retirees") to benefit from periodic government increases in pensions and additional benefits, although it also held that the same did not apply to the VSS pensioners.

In response, PTCL and PTET raised an Intra Court Appeal against the exemption granted to the T&T retirees before the Divisional Bench at the Islamabad High Court. On 24 September 2020, the Intra Court appeals were adjourned for consolidation of all Intra court Intra Court appeals before one bench. On 16 December 2020, the Islamabad High Court granted a stay of execution in favour of PTCL and PTET and postponed the case until 14 July 2021.

Islamabad High Court on 2nd November, 2021, has decided that the GOP increases are not allowed to VSS optees, PTC pensioners and to the workmen. To the extent of Civil Servants the Islamabad High Court allowed the GOP increase. However, to the same extent appeal has been filed before Supreme court within the limitation.

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12. Contingent liabilities (continued)

The management of PTCL, on the advice of their lawyers, believes that PTCL's obligations against benefits is restricted to the extent of pension increases as determined solely by the Board of Trustees of the PTET in accordance with the Pakistan Telecommunications (Re-Organization) Act, 1996 and the Pension Trust rules of 2012 and accordingly, no provision has been recognized in this condensed consolidated interim financial information in respect of these proceedings.

(iii) Pursuant to the restatement of Etihad Etisalat Company (Mobily) of its 2014 Financial statement, aggrieved shareholders have submitted 94 claims totaling SAR 1.907 billion (US\$508million) against the 2013/2014 members of the Mobily Board (the "Defendants") and Mobily executives (the "Executives"), and these have been filed with the CRSD.

Some of the named Defendants were nominated, by Etisalat to the 2013/14 Mobily Board. Pursuant to such nomination, these individuals are entitled to be indemnified by Etisalat for any loss or damages due to third parties made against them.

The first substantial decision in relation to such claims was issued by the CRSD in November 2020, and subsequently upheld at the Appellate level (ACRSD) in a final and binding decision issued in late December 2020. The decision exonerated the Defendants and found former members of the Mobily executives liable to compensate shareholders for violating article 49a of the Capital Market Law.

This ruling has been reflected in further shareholder cases being dismissed and the CRSD finding that the former members of the board were not liable for any losses claimed by the shareholders.

Latest developments:

- 52 shareholders claims have been dismissed (final decisions) by the CRSD/ACRSD during 2021/2022 for a total value of US\$ 380 million/SAR 1.427 billion
- there are still 8 claims pending decision before the CRSD (no decision yet) for a total value of (US\$ 41.73 million)
- 1 claim expected to be appealed before ACRSD for a value of US\$ 51.5 thousand

(iv) On 16 December 2021, Maroc Telecom received a notice from the Commercial Court of Rabat regarding a complaint filed by Wana on unbundling and claiming MAD 6,845 million. The case is ongoing and the Court has appointed experts to present a report to the Court.

(v) Under the REMACOTEM dispute (association of consumers of mobile networks in Mali), the Civil Court had dismissed the plaintiff in 2013, for the alleged damages suffered.

On 3 November 2021, the Bamako Court of Appeal set the total amount of damages claimed by REMACOTEM from 2011 to 2020 at MAD 2,823 million, including MAD 933 million for Sotelma, a subsidiary 51% owned by Maroc Telecom. Sotelma replied through its lawyers and a hearing was requested to annul the said judgment as well as its execution. Proceedings are ongoing before the Supreme Court.

On 13 March 2023, The Supreme Court rejected Sotelma appeal and confirmed the decision of the Court of Appeal which has ordered Sotelma to pay US\$ 93 million to REMACOTEM. Sotelma was granted a two months grace period ending on 13 May 2023 and is exploring additional ways to challenge such decision (including international arbitration) and is also seeking to protect Sotelma assets (bank accounts) from expected enforcement proceedings by the REMACOTEM.

13. Capital Commitments

e& has approved future capital projects and investment commitments to the extent of AED 4,672 million (31 December 2022: AED 3,703 million). e& has issued letters of credit amounting to AED 468 million (31 December 2022: AED 440 million).

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14. Related party transactions

Transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries and those between subsidiaries, which are related parties, have been eliminated on consolidation and are not disclosed in this note. Transactions between e& and other related parties are disclosed below.

a) Federal Government and state controlled entities

As stated in Note 1, in accordance with Federal Law No. 267/10 for 2009, the Federal Government of the UAE transferred its 60% holding in the Company to the Emirates Investment Authority with effect from 1 January 2008, which is ultimately controlled by the UAE Federal Government. e& provides telecommunication services to the Federal Government (including Ministries and local bodies). These transactions are at agreed terms. The principal management and other services provided to e&'s associates are set out below based on agreed contractual terms and conditions. The credit period allowed to Government customers ranges from 90 to 120 days. Trade receivables include an amount of AED 1,391 million (31 December 2022: AED 1,322 million), which are net of allowance for doubtful debts of AED 314 million (31 December 2022: AED 351 million), receivable from Federal Ministries and local bodies. See Note 5 for disclosure of the royalty payable to the Federal Government of the UAE.

In accordance with IAS 24 "Related Party Disclosures", e& has elected to disclose qualitatively the transactions with the UAE Federal Government and other entities over which the Federal Government exerts control, joint control or significant influence. The nature of the transactions that e& has with such related parties is the provision of telecommunication services and procurement of services.

b) Joint ventures and associates

	Associates		Joint Ventures	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	AED '000	AED '000	AED '000	AED '000
Trading transactions for the three months ended 31 March				
Telecommunication services – sales	77,661	88,415	-	7,421
Telecommunication services – purchases	14,766	14,733	-	1,659
Management and other services revenue	-	27,544	963	-
Due from related parties as at 31 March 2023 / 31 December 2022	123,184	86,852	25,186	25,467

Sales to related parties comprise of provision of telecommunication products and services (primarily voice traffic and leased circuits) by e& based on agreed terms. Purchases relate exclusively to the provision of telecommunication products and services by associates to e& based on normal commercial terms. The net amount due from related parties are unsecured and will be settled in cash.

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15. Borrowings

	Carrying Amounts	
	31 March	31 December
	2023	2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Bank borrowings		
Short term bank borrowings	5,073,252	5,307,357
Bank loans	30,438,744	31,341,724
Other borrowings		
Bonds	10,552,210	10,374,199
Vendor financing	237,509	297,414
Others	91,309	91,239
	46,393,024	47,411,933
Advance from non-controlling interests	542,276	542,276
Total Borrowings	46,935,300	47,954,209
of which due within 12 months	22,869,285	23,744,566
of which due after 12 months	24,066,015	24,209,643

The carrying values of e&'s bank and other borrowings, excluding bonds, approximate their fair values. Fair values of bonds are calculated using quoted market prices.

Advances from non-controlling interests represent advances paid by the minority shareholder of Etisalat International Pakistan LLC (EIP) towards e&'s acquisition of its 26% stake in PTCL, net of repayments. The amount is interest free and is not repayable within 12 months of the condensed consolidated interim statement of financial position date and accordingly the full amount is carried in non-current liabilities. The fair value of advances is not equivalent to its carrying value as it is interest-free.

e& has listed a USD 7 billion (AED 25.7 billion) medium-term note programme which will be used to meet medium to long-term funding requirements. In 2014, e& issued the inaugural bonds under the GMTN programme in USD and Euro tranches amounting to USD 1 billion and Euro 2.4 billion in total, respectively. Further, in May 2015, e& issued additional bonds amounting to USD 400 million under the existing USD 5 year tranches.

During 2019, e& fully repaid USD 900 million notes in accordance with their maturity profile.

In May 2021, the Group issued 7 and 12 years bonds under its established USD 10 billion GMTN Programme amounting to EUR 500 million each with annual yields of 0.375 % and 0.875% respectively. The net proceeds from the issuance of the bonds have been used for the repayment of the existing 7-year tranche amounting to EUR 1.2 billion which matured in June 2021.

As at 31 March 2023, the total amounts in issue under this programme split by currency are USD 0.5 billion (AED 1.84 billion) and Euro 2.2 billion (AED 8.72 billion) as follows:

	Nominal Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value
	2023	2023	2023
	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Bonds			
3.500% US Dollar 500 million notes due 2024	1,836,250	1,798,882	1,830,761
Bonds in net investment hedge relationship			
0.375% Euro 500 million notes due 2028	2,000,055	1,706,607	1,991,180
0.875% Euro 500 million notes due 2033	2,000,055	1,493,141	1,966,826
2.750% Euro 1,200 million notes due 2026	4,800,131	4,644,607	4,763,443
At 31 March	10,636,491	9,643,237	10,552,210
of which due within 12 months			-
of which due after 12 months			10,552,210
	Nominal Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value
	2022	2022	2022
	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Bonds			
3.500% US dollar 500 million notes due 2024	1,836,250	1,802,757	1,830,760
Bonds in net investment hedge relationship			
0.375% Euro 500 million notes due 2028	1,959,503	1,654,584	1,950,381
0.875% Euro 500 million notes due 2033	1,959,503	1,447,641	1,926,196
2.750% Euro 1,200 million notes due 2026	4,702,806	4,593,231	4,666,862
At 31 December	10,458,062	9,498,213	10,374,199
of which due within 12 months			-
of which due after 12 months			10,374,199

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16. Hedge accounting and derivatives

In prior years, Euro bonds issued (refer to Note 15) and interest rate swap have been designated as net investment hedges and cash flow hedges respectively. The effective portion of the hedge instruments is reported in the other comprehensive income is as follow:

	Three month ended 31 March	
	2023	2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Effective part directly recognized in other comprehensive income / (loss)		
Other comprehensive income on net investment hedge	(178,429)	130,354
Other comprehensive loss on cash flow hedges	(19,647)	103,491
Total effective part directly recognised in other comprehensive income	(198,076)	233,845
	31 March	31 December
	2023	2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Fair value of derivative financial instruments		
Fair value of forward contracts and options	69,145	47,047
Fair value of derivative swaps	103,978	164,530
Total derivative financial instruments	173,123	211,577
included in current assets	2,108	3,357
included in non-current assets	171,015	208,220

17. Other investments

	31 March	31 December
	2023	2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Fair value through profit & loss	816,884	2,087,017
Fair value through other comprehensive income	16,707,367	12,966,378
Amortised costs	4,861,765	3,069,252
Total other investments	22,386,016	18,122,647
included in current assets	1,653,129	2,407,143
included in non-current assets	20,732,887	15,715,504

18. Seasonality and cyclicity of interim operations

There were no items of seasonal or cyclical nature in the interim operations during the periods ended 31 March 2023 and 31 March 2022.

19. Fair value disclosures

e& has Euro bonds and cross currency swaps which are designated as net investment hedges. e& has in place cross currency USD-EUR swaps which were designated as hedges of net investment. The fair value of the cross currency swaps were calculated by discounting the future cash flows to the net present value using appropriate market interest and prevailing foreign currency rates. The fair value of cross currency swaps represent Level 2 fair values. e& has quoted equity investments in listed equity securities. The fair values of these equity securities are derived from quoted prices in active markets for identical assets, which in accordance with IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosure, represent Level 1 fair values. There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy during the period.

20. Provision for employees' end of service benefits

	31 March	31 December
	2023	2022
	AED'000	AED'000
The movement in the provision for employees' end of service benefits is provided below:		
Opening balance	1,279,414	1,334,829
Additions	37,677	138,026
Acquisition of a subsidiary	1,018	12,131
Payments - net of contributions received	(19,519)	(112,216)
Exchange difference	(91,125)	(111,701)
Unwinding of discount	2,817	-
Remeasurement	(10,000)	18,345
Closing balance	1,200,282	1,279,414
of which included in current liabilities	113,637	113,280
of which included in non-current liabilities	1,086,645	1,166,134

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21. Right-of-use assets	Land and buildings	Plant and equipment	Motor vehicles, computers, furniture	Total
	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Balance at 1 January 2022	1,261,269	1,062,732	112,920	2,436,921
Additions	1,216,353	500,665	53,858	1,770,876
Disposals	(1,188,277)	(199,000)	(5,095)	(1,392,372)
Depreciation	(318,962)	(192,281)	(52,342)	(563,585)
Exchange difference	(118,272)	(329,520)	(25,087)	(472,879)
Acquisition of a subsidiary	2,599	-	-	2,599
Balance at 31 December 2022 / 1 January 2023	854,710	842,596	84,254	1,781,560
Additions	101,661	154,045	34,456	290,162
Disposals	(7,233)	-	-	(7,233)
Depreciation	(80,150)	(50,844)	(11,690)	(142,684)
Impairment	-	(17,770)	-	(17,770)
Exchange difference	(47,119)	(107,057)	(6,058)	(160,234)
Balance at 31 March 2023	821,869	820,970	100,962	1,743,802

22. Lease liabilities

Details of e&'s lease liabilities are as follows:	31 March 2023	31 December 2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Contractual undiscounted cash flow		
Within one year	713,023	693,973
Between 2 and 5 years	1,765,927	1,919,223
After 5 years	1,717,975	1,879,824
Total undiscounted lease liabilities	4,196,925	4,493,020
Lease liabilities included in the consolidated statement of financial position		
of which due within 12 months	569,079	542,233
of which due after 12 months	2,513,424	2,602,977

23. Share capital

	31 March 2023	31 December 2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Authorised:		
10,000 million (2022: 10,000 million) ordinary shares of AED 1 each	10,000,000	10,000,000
Issued and fully paid up:		
8,696.8 million (2022: 8,696.8 million) ordinary shares of AED 1 each	8,696,754	8,696,754

24. Acquisition of subsidiary

Service Souk DMCC

On 6 February 2023, e& completed the acquisition of Service Souk DMCC ("Service Market"), acquiring 100% shareholding of the online marketplace. The acquisition value of Service Market is not expected to exceed AED 81 million, including payment linked to business performance portion due over a period of time.

The acquisition accounting has been done on a provisional basis as at the date of the authorization of these condensed consolidated interim financial information which may result in identification of certain intangible assets during the purchase price allocation exercise.

25. UAE Federal corporate tax

On 9 December 2022, the UAE Ministry of Finance released the Federal Decree-Law No. 47 of 2022 on the Taxation of Corporations and Businesses (the Law) to enact a Federal corporate tax (CT) regime in the UAE. The same law refers to a set of Cabinet/Minister decisions that will be released subsequently to clarify various aspects.

The CT regime will become effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 June 2023. For e&, the first accounting period to be subject to UAE CT will be 2024 given that the Group's financial year coincides with the calendar year.

In this respect, e& has started internal process for the CT impact assessment to be ready for the implementation.

26. Subsequent events

i) On 9 April 2023, e& signed a binding agreement with Uber Technologies, Inc. to acquire a majority stake of 50.03% in Careem's super-app business (the "Careem Super App", currently part of Careem Networks FZ LLC "Careem") in exchange for an investment of USD 400 million.

ii) Subsequent to the quarter end, e& has signed a new bank facility for an amount of AED 16.2 billion which is repayable in 3 years, for the purposes of refinancing existing bank facilities.