

Trinidad & Tobago Guardian



To Our Shareholders

The Directors are pleased to announce that Scotiabank Trinidad and Tobago Limited (The Group) realised a profit after tax of \$340 million for the six months ended April 30th, 2025, an increase of \$17MM or 5% over the prior year.

For the year, The Group recorded an increase in total revenue of \$55 million or 6%, driven mainly by growth in net interest income of \$53 million or 7%. This increase was achieved through continued strong expansion in loan balances in both retail and commercial segments. Other income increased by \$2 million with growth in core business activities across all segments.

Despite a period of elevated inflation between 2021 and 2024, The Group has demonstrated a commendable approach in managing its non-interest expense base whilst simultaneously investing in personnel, technology and customer experience. Non-interest expenses increased by \$14 million or 3% over the prior year. Our productivity ratio also reduced to 42% in the current year and remains the best in class in the local banking sector.

Total Assets have experienced a notable increase, rising by \$1.8 billion or 6% with the Group's largest interest earning asset, loans to customers increasing by \$0.7 billion or 4%. This growth was achieved in tandem with strong credit quality. The ratio of non-performing loans to total loans remains below 2% of the total portfolio and our ratio of impairment losses to loans is 0.6%.

We have capitalized on investing liquidity in both shorter-term and longer-term investments. As we continue to generate surplus funding, we invested an additional \$1.6 billion in Investment Securities and Treasury Bills. This generated an additional \$40 million in interest income for the six months ended April 30 2025.

Over the past year, customer deposits increased by \$1.6 billion or 7% as we continue to fund our loan asset growth. This growth is a strong indicator of consumer confidence in our stability and the competitive rate offerings across all business segments. Our strategic focus on enhancing customer experience and offering attractive deposit rates has undoubtedly contributed to this positive outcome.

Our insurance segment continues to perform creditably and during the year, policyholder liabilities increased by \$27 million. This growth reflects the sound performance of our insurance products and the trust policyholders place in our services.

We remain cautiously optimistic on the economic prospects for Trinidad and Tobago but we remain cognizant of the potential downside risks arising from global trade and tariff concerns that may impact our trading partners as well as our local economy. In conjunction with the rest of the banking sector, we are committed to working alongside the new Government of Trinidad and Tobago and all stakeholders to foster an environment where customers are better served and financial services are more accessible and efficient.

Based on the above performance, we are pleased to announce that the Directors have approved an interim quarterly dividend of 70c per share, payable to shareholders on the Register of Members as of June 20th, 2025. This dividend will be paid by July 11th, 2025 and bring our year to date distribution to shareholders to \$1.40 per share.



Derek Hudson
Chairman



Gayle Pazos
Managing Director