

# "Successful peak season and delivery of the third B737-800 contributed to strong revenue growth for the fourth quarter"

## October - December

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- EBITDA amounted to MSEK 68.5 (66.4) corresponding to a margin of 12.8 % (15.1). EBITDA affected by both successful aircraft management transactions and by start-up costs from new contracts.
- Earnings per share of SEK 0.41 (0.64).
- The third B737-800BCF Next Generation Freighter, has been delivered to the Group.
- The fourth B767-200SF aircraft was delivered to the Group.

## January - December

- Revenue amounted to MSEK 1,813.1 (1,589.3) corresponding to a growth of 14.1% year-on-year. Continued strong growth for the Group's B737 fleet, partly offset by reduction in the Norwegian postal network.
- $\bullet$  EBITDA amounted to MSEK 156.1 (126.3 ) corresponding to a margin of 8.6 % (7.9).
- Earnings per share of SEK -0.82 (-2.28).
- Capital contribution of additional MSEK 6.7 made by certain shareholders, in addition to the contributed MSEK 25.0 made during 2017. New share issue decided and registered in April.
- Long term contract in place with one customer for operations of the four committed B737-800 aircraft, of which three were delivered during the period.
- The Group sold four ATP aircraft including two aircraft managed through the collaboration agreement, in March. The sales contributed a significant income.
- A new overdraft facility up to MSEK 75.0 was signed.

## Key performance indicators for the Group

All figures in MSEK unless stated otherwise	Oct - Dec	Oct - Dec	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Financial metrics*				
Revenue	533.2	440.5	1,813.1	1,589.3
Revenue growth	21.0%	24.6%	14.1%	20.4%
EBITDA	68.5	66.4	156.1	126.3
EBITDA margin (%)	12.8%	15.1%	8.6%	7.9%
Net income	17.3	17.4	-35.2	-61.6
Cash and cash equivalents incl unused overdraft facility	144.4	173.4	144.4	173.4
Cash flow from operating activities	174.9	78.0	304.6	233.7
Earnings per share before dilution (SEK)	0.41	0.64	-0.82	-2.28
Net interest bearing debt / EBITDA**	4.4	5.0	4.4	5.0
Interest coverage ratio**	2.4	2.0	2.4	2.0
Equity / Asset ratio	3.0%	5.3%	3.0%	5.3%
Total assets	1,360.5	1,270.8	1,360.5	1,270.8
Operating metrics*				
Fleet dispatch regularity	99.3%	99.3%	99.2%	99.4%
Performed flights	6,097	6,328	22,535	23,862
Aircraft in service (incl. wet leases)	42	42	42	42
Average employees	460	466	461	459

<sup>\*</sup>Definitions of key performance indicators and other measures can be found at the end of this report.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Defined by the corporate bond loan WEST002 terms and conditions. See note 10 for more information. The loan was issued December 2015.



## **CEO's comments**

#### Revenue growth for the fourth quarter

The fourth quarter showed a strong revenue growth of 21 % year-on-year. Delivery and deployment of the 3<sup>rd</sup> 737-800 supported previously contracted 737-800 fleet to long term customer contract.

#### Quarterly income

The revenue growth in the fourth quarter lead to a EBITDA margin of 12.8%, impacted by the start-up cost as previously reported for the 737-800 fleet. The delivery of the 3<sup>rd</sup> 737-800 released an external capacity provider. The operational unit cost remained high on our ATP fleet whilst the increase of 737-800 is positive as the fleet grow in absolute numbers.

### Operational update

The fourth quarter is the peak season of the year with high freight volume and challenging operational conditions. Our performance remained positive and as planned. The overall flight dispatch regularity amounted to 99.3 %.

Our focus on operational excellence continue to deliver positive feedback from customers. Especially the 737-800 fleet continue to demonstrate high performance on reliability and key performance indicators.

#### **Commercial update**

With the last of the four 737-800 aircraft delivered in January 2019 we have a strong contract base in the 20-40 tonnes section (737 & 767 ). With BREXIT we continue to have discussions with customers on short and long term network effects which may see additional requirement as well as alteration to network. Our focus to divest the parked ATP fleet continues as previously reported with potential investors following the sales of four ATP's earlier in the year. The  $4^{\rm th}$  767 -200 aircraft which we took delivery of to assist the fourth quarter peak volume gives further strength to our 40 tonnes commitment.

#### Fleet update

We took delivery of the 3<sup>rd</sup> 737-800 which was introduced to the customer network during the fourth quarter 2018. An additional 767-200 was delivered and used for the volume coverage during the last quarter of the year, bringing the 767-200 fleet to 4 aircraft.

#### Full year

Rapid growth on our fleet and contracted aircraft led to an revenue increase of 14.1 % compared to the previous year and a EBITDA margin of 8.6 %. With relative high start-up cost as expected with the 737-800 and bridging with third party capacity provider. The aging ATP fleet causing increased unit cost and alteration of Norwegian postal network has effected the full year income.

#### Outlook

In January we took delivery of the last of four contracted Boeing 737-800. Our focus on operational excellence and profitability are key targets for 2019. Optimizing the company structure and operational maintenance facilities will bring positive contribution to the Group. Planned sale of the parked ATP fleet is a priority to balance the cost and the cash position. BREXIT

remains as an uncertainty and we continue to monitor potential outcome and potential impact to our business. The Group is also fully focused on financial sustainability and continues to explore opportunities to strengthening the balance sheet together with the refinancing of the corporate bond that expires in the end of 2019.



#### Lars Jordahn

CEO & President

## **Financial comments**

#### Group and parent company information

West Atlantic AB (publ), incorporation number 556503-6083, a Swedish registered public company headquartered in Gothenburg, is the parent company of the West Atlantic Group. Address is Box 5433, SE 402 29, Gothenburg, Sweden.

#### GROUP

#### **About the West Atlantic Group**

The West Atlantic Group is one of the market leading providers of dedicated air freight services to NMO's and Global Integrators in the European market. Drawing from many years of experience, the Group offers its customers customised and efficient solutions for airfreight services, aircraft maintenance, airworthiness services and aircraft leasing.

#### Financial report

This interim report covers the period January 1 to December 31, 2018. Comparative figures in this report cover the corresponding period in 2017, unless otherwise stated. All financial information contained in this report refers to the West Atlantic Group unless stated that the information refers to the parent company West Atlantic AB (publ).

#### **GROUP FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**

#### Revenue and income

#### October – December

Revenue for the period amounted to MSEK 533.2 (440.5), an increase by 21.0 % year-on-year. Revenue year-on-year increased despite the reduced operation for Norwegian Mail, with effects from 1 January 2018, mentioned in the previous interim reports for 2018. The loss of revenue from the reduced operation have been more than compensated, mainly by revenue from the fully implemented contract with Royal Mail, and by increased and new revenues from Fedex, DHL and BAe Systems. For a detailed breakdown of revenue, see note 2.

EBITDA amounted to MSEK 68.5 (66.4). Compared to the previous year, EBITDA has been positively affected by higher income from the collaboration agreement and aircraft sale. See note 4 for more information. On the other hand, EBITDA was negatively affected by the start-up costs for the new Fedex contract, and by a higher proportion of parked ATP aircraft with no attached revenue as a direct effect of the reduced network with Norwegian Mail as from 1 January 2018. There has also been increasing operational leasing costs for aircraft in relation to airfreight revenues. The EBITDA margin amounted to 12.8 % (15.1%). For a breakdown of EBITDA, please see note 3.

EBIT amounted to 34.0 (35.8) including depreciation of MSEK 34.5 (30.6).

The net of financial income and costs amounted to MSEK -19.7 (-20.3). The financial net included foreign exchange currency changes of MSEK 0.0 (-0.8), mainly on loans and financial leasing, and interest costs of MSEK 20.5 (20.4), mostly attributable to the corporate bond loan. For a detailed breakdown of financial income and cost, please see note 5.

Net income amounted to MSEK 17.3 (17.4) for the period and was affected by income taxes of MSEK 3.0 (1.9).

#### January – December

Revenue for the period amounted to MSEK 1,813.1 (1,589.3), an increase by 14.1 % year-on-year. The growth comes from the fully implemented contract with Royal Mail, and by increased and new revenues from Fedex, DHL and BAe Systems. Revenue was negatively affected by the loss of the reduced operation for Norwegian Mail, which was effective as of 1 January 2018. For a detailed breakdown of revenue, see note 2.

EBITDA amounted to MSEK 156.1 (126.3). The increase compared to the previous year is mainly attributable to aircraft sales and management fees that were received from the collaboration agreement during the first quarter and last quarter, but also negatively affected by the reduced operation for Norwegian Mail. In addition, previous year was being affected by significant subcharter costs due to aircraft delivery delays, and start-up-cost for the Royal Mail contract. But also this year has included start-up costs for the introduced B737-800 operation. The EBITDA margin amounted to 8.6% (7.9%). For a breakdown of EBITDA, please see note 3.

EBIT amounted to MSEK 40.4 (-2.1) including depreciation of MSEK 115.7 (128.4). Depreciation have decreased by MSEK 12.7. This is mainly due to a revised assessment and estimation of the remaining residual values connected to ATP-aircraft, and to that these aircraft have been reclassified as assets held for sale. For more details about the revision, implemented earlier in 2018, see note accounting principles.

The net of financial income and costs amounted to MSEK -82.4 (-74.6). The financial net include foreign exchange currency changes of MSEK -3.3 (6.3) mainly on loans and financial leasing, and interest costs of MSEK 81.8 (82.1), mostly attributable to the corporate bond loan. However, MSEK 2.6 of the interest costs this year was attributable to the early redemption of the finance leasing liabilities connected to the sale of two aircraft. For a detailed breakdown of financial income and cost, please see note 5.

Net income amounted to MSEK -35.2 (-61.6) for the period and was affected by income taxes of MSEK 6.8 (15.1).

#### Summary of items affecting comparability

MSEK	Oct - Dec 2018	Oct - Dec 2017	Jan - Dec 2018	Jan - Dec 2017			
Income before tax	14.3	15.5	-42.0	-76.7			
Type introduction and start-up costs	13.8	-	19.6	27.6			
Sale of aircraft*	-9.3	-	-34.9	-			
CRJ200PF accident	0.1	0.2	0.1	-0.7			
Income from collaboration agreement	-25.7	-16.1	-34.6	-21.4			
Restructuring costs, ATP	-	-	1.4	0.5			
Interest, early redemption finance leasing	-	-	2.6	-			
Provision for bad debts, due to bankruptcy	-1.9	-	1.6	-			
Financial FX gains/losses	-	-0.8	3.3	-6.3			
Sum after items affecting comparability	-8.7	0.4	-82.9	-77.0			
Income from sale of one aircraft in Oct - Dec, in total five aircraft for Jan - Dec.							

Note that in addition to the stated items in the table above affecting comparability with the previous year, we also have the mentioned cost impact of a higher proportion of parked ATP aircraft with no attached revenue as a direct effect of the reduced network with Norwegian Mail. The reduced network has also meant significant costs following reorganization. On the other hand, the mentioned decreased depreciation affect positively. These factors have significantly affected the accumulated adjusted income before tax compared to previous year.

#### Cash flow

#### October - December

Cash flow from operating activities amounted to MSEK 174.9 (78.0). The change is partly due to that MSEK 45 was received from the utilisation of the overdraft facility. Cash flow from investing activities amounted to MSEK -112.5 (-35.8). The change is mainly due to a purchase of a B737-400 aircraft of MSEK 67.1 through finance leasing. Cash flow from financing activities amounted to MSEK -26.1 (-12.8). Included in this period is an amortisation of a bank loan of MSEK 40 and also increased long term liability due to finance leasing of MSEK 52.1. Cash flow for the period amounted to MSEK 36.2 (29.4).

#### January - December

Cash flow from operating activities amounted to MSEK 304.6 (233.7). The change compared to last year is attributable to the change in working capital which amounted to 147.0 MSEK (44.2), and is mainly due to the utilised overdraft facility mentioned above, which amounted to MSEK 75.0 (0.0). Cash flow from investing activities amounted to MSEK -206.3 (-155.0). The change is mainly due to the mentioned purchase of a B737-400 aircraft through finance leasing. Cash flow from financing activities amounted to MSEK -82.5 (-64.1). Included in this period is the amortisation of a bank loan, the increased liability due to finance leasing, mentioned above and amortisation of finance leasing liabilities connected to sold aircraft. Cash flow for the period amounted to MSEK 15.8 (14.6).

#### Investments

#### October - December

Total investments in tangible assets amounted to MSEK -112.3 (-35.6), mainly from investments in a B737-400 aircraft this year, and for both years periodical heavy maintenance activities and purchase of aircraft components, mainly connected to the increasing B737-fleet. Payments from other investing activities amounted to MSEK -12.1 (-0.2) including increasing financial assets, MSEK -12.7 (-0.3) and payments received from financial assets, MSEK 0.6 (0.1).

#### January - December

Total investments in tangible assets amounted to MSEK -236.9 (-143.2), mainly from investments in periodic heavy maintenance activities and the purchase of aircraft components, for both years, and one B737-400 aircraft for this year. Payments from other investing activities amounted to MSEK -23.4 (-11.8) including increased financial assets, MSEK -24.4 (-12.2) and payments received from financial assets, MSEK 1.0 (0.4).

#### Operational leasing costs

#### October – December

The aircraft operating leasing costs amounted to MSEK 68.9 (39.9).

#### January – December

The aircraft operating leasing costs amounted to MSEK 219.0 (143.5).

#### Leasing engagements

#### October – December

During the period the Group has entered into new aircraft leasing contracts with suppliers for one B737-800 (which was already committed during the previous year) and one B767-200 aircraft. The aircraft have been delivered to the Group. In addition, one previous operational leased B737-400 aircraft has been purchased through finance leasing. The Group has also entered into a finance leasing agreement with a customer for one ATP aircraft.

#### Sales of assets

During the period four ATP aircraft were sold following an agreement that was signed during the previous year. The net remuneration after costs following the sale and after amortisation of the finance leasing liabilities, amounted to MSEK 42.0. In addition, another ATP aircraft (see above) has been sold through a finance leasing transaction. Also an aircraft engine has been sold. These two sales amounted in total to MSEK 14.1.

#### Impairment of stock

### January – December

During the period an impairment has been made by MSEK 6.3 (6.4) for slow moving stock.

## SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD October- December

- In October the bankruptcy for the customer in technical services, Nextjet, was finalised.
- In November, the Group took delivery of the third B737-800BCF Next Generation Freighter. The Group has one more unit on order with delivery in 2019.
- In late November, the Group took delivery of the fourth B767-200SF aircraft. The aircraft started immediately to operate under a peak-season contract.

#### January - December

- The Group made a written request ("Notice") to the bondholders together with the required amendments and waivers. The bondholders voted in favour of the request. Through the accepted request, the company can negotiate for an overdraft facility up to a sum of maximum MSEK 75. The notice of the written procedure, was made 15 January 2018, and the results from the written procedure can be found at the company's website. <a href="https://www.westatlantic.eu">www.westatlantic.eu</a>.
- The Group has filed a lawsuit against Norwegian Mail in the district court in Oslo seeking compensation arising from Norwegian Mail's reduction of the network that the Group operates for them. The Group believes Norwegian Mail's actions were contrary to the terms of the commercial arrangements between the parties. Expected start of the court proceedings is 2019.
- The sale of four ATP aircraft including two aircraft managed through the collaboration agreement, was completed in March 2018. The sale contributed a significant income, see note 4 for more information. As a part of the conditions for the financing of the transactions, some of the remuneration from the sale, an USD amount corresponding to MSEK 15.5 is pledged for the buyer's liability to the financers of the business, see below the section on financial position.
- A long term contract that includes the operations of four B737-800 aircraft (of which one are not yet delivered) was agreed upon with one customer.
- An extraordinary general meeting was held in January 2018, at which the shareholders resolved on a new share issue. The subscription period and the registration of the new shares were finalised in April 2018. Through the new share issue, in total MSEK 31.7 has been contributed, of which MSEK 25.0 was contributed during 2017.
- In May, the Group was informed that one of its customers in technical services, Nextjet AB, had filed for bankruptcy. The Group had receivables that are owed by the customer and made a provision of MSEK 3.5 for bad debt losses.
- The Group received the official approval from bondholders to scrap six BAe ATP aircraft. This was one of the points included in the written request made to the bondholders in January. Five of these aircraft have been scrapped during the year.

- In April, West Atlantic took delivery of the world's first B737-800BCF Next Generation Freighter. In August the second one was delivered.
- The Group took delivery of another two B737-400 aircraft
- At the annual general meeting held in June, the Board of directors were expanded by two persons, Mr Lars Jordahn and Mr Anders Ehrling.
- In August, the Group signed a new overdraft facility up to an amount of MSEK 75.0, with a Swedish bank.
- The Group has defined a significant number of ATP aircraft where the decision is to sell them. The aircraft which are now parked, are subject to an increased demand and discussions are ongoing with several stakeholders. The book value amounts to MSEK 147.3.

#### ORGANISATION

The average number of employees for the period January – December amounted to 461 (459).

#### FINANCIAL POSITION, PLEDGED FUNDS AND FINANCING

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period amounted to MSEK 144.4 (123.4). At the year-end the overdraft facility of MSEK 75.0 was fully utilised. Available cash and cash equivalents including overdraft facility amounted to MSEK 144.4 (173.0). During the interim period, funds of MSEK 16.5, previously held on an escrow account, were released and no longer earmarked for investments in additional aircraft. As mentioned above, following the sale of four aircraft, an amount of MSEK 15.5, held on an account, is pledged as security for the buyer's liability to its financers. For the Group, the funds will be available during the term of the byer's amortisation to the financers. Of the mention amount, MSEK 1.6 has been accounted for as cash and cash equivalents, and the rest, MSEK 13.9 as current or long-term receivables. For definitions of cash and cash equivalents, see definitions at the end of this report.

Equity amounted to MSEK 40.2 (68.0) and the equity ratio amounted to 3.0 % (5.3). During the period, a capital contribution of MSEK 6.7 was received from certain shareholders. In year 2015, the Company issued the corporate bond loan which was listed on the NASDAQ, Stockholm on January 26<sup>th</sup> 2016. The instrument is listed as WEST002 with 850 units holding a nominal value of MSEK 1.0 each. The bonds carry a fixed coupon of 7 %, payable semi-annually in arrears and the corporate bond loan of MSEK 850 matures at December 21, 2019. The Group is obliged to report its financial position as described in the terms and conditions of the bond. For the financial covenants, please see note 10. For terms and conditions of the corporate bond loan, please see the website of West Atlantic AB (publ) available at www.westatlantic.eu

#### FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Group has no financial assets or financial liabilities which are valued at fair value in the valuation hierarchy. A summary of the recorded values for the Group's financial assets and liabilities are shown in note 7.

### **RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

West Atlantic is exposed to a number of global and Group specific risks that can impact operations and the financial performance as well as the financial position of the Group. The foreseeable risks are identified and monitored centrally through policies. Risk management in the Group is about positioning the Group properly in response to possible events. Below is a non-exhaustive list of risks, without regards to the level of significance, which the Group considers to be material.

- Operating risks safety always comes first
- Market, commercial & political risks
- Financial risks, with special attention to that the corporate bond matures at December 21, 2019.

- Fluctuations in foreign exchange rates and fuel prices
- Contract risks
- Legal risks
- Credit risks
- Taxation and charges
- Effects from Brexit. While the Group is well positioned by having an UK airline and an EU airline, thus being able to maintain operation in both territories, the specific short and long term effects of the Group remain uncertain at this time.

A more detailed description of the risk factors, which the Group considers to be material, can be found in the annual report for 2017. The assessment is that this description is still accurate. Following the financial risk, the development of the Group is closely followed due to the low equity ratio and due to the Group being in breach of one financial covenant in the bond terms during the previous year.

#### **LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

At the moment the Group is not involved in any material legal proceedings. However, a legal process may be upcoming following the submitted lawsuit against Norwegian Mail, see above; significant events during January – December.

#### TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

For transactions with related parties, please see note 8.

## SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD Delivery of the fourth B737-800

In January, the Group took delivery of the fourth B737-800BCF Next Generation Freighter.

#### Change of CEO

In January, the Board of West Atlantic decided to make a change to the top position of the company. Mr Fredrik Groth stepped down and was replaced by Mr Lars Jordahn. Jordahn has in 2018 been involved in the company as consultant and Board member.

#### OUTLOOK

In January, last of four contracted Boeing 737-800 was delivered. Operational excellence and profitability are key targets for 2019. Optimizing the company structure and operational maintenance facilities will bring positive contribution to the Group. Planned sale of the parked ATP fleet is a priority to balance the cost and the cash position. BREXIT remains as an uncertainty and the company continues to monitor the potential outcome and potential impact to the business. The Group is also fully focused on financial sustainability and continues to explore opportunities to strengthening the balance sheet together with the refinancing of the corporate bond that expires in the end of 2019.

#### SEASONAL EFFECTS

As part of the air freight market, West Atlantic is exposed to seasonal effects. The main drivers are the operating calendar and additional expenses relating to winter operations. Seasonal effects impact the Group's financial position and income during the course of a calendar year where the first half generally is weaker than the second half.

## PARENT COMPANY

#### About the parent company

The parent company is the contracting party for a significant part of the Group's operations but does not perform airfreight services. The Company subcontracts subsidiaries to perform the respective services. A major part of the Group's aircraft fleet is financed through the corporate bond loan, issued by the parent company.

#### Revenue and income

#### October – December

Revenue for the period amounted to MSEK 110.6 (180.5), a decrease by 38.7 % year-on-year. The decrease is mainly attributable to the loss of operations for Norwegian Mail, including revenues corresponding to four ATP aircraft, beginning as from January 1st 2018. There is also another significant effect which comes from an internal reorganisation that resulted in a mail customer being handled by another company in the Group. EBIT amounted to MSEK 7.2 (-8.4). The increase is mainly attributable to that there has been lower costs for subcharter of aircraft in relation to revenue compared to the previous year. Net income amounted to MSEK -11.0 (38.0) and was affected by group contributions paid (received previous year).

#### January - December

Revenue for the period amounted to MSEK 382.2 (704.0), a decrease by 45.7 % year-on-year. The reason for the decrease year-on-year is mainly the same as for the interim period above. EBIT amounted to MSEK 13.5 (-24.0). The reason for the increase is mainly the same as for the period above. Net income amounted to MSEK -27.3 (-0.7).

#### Financial position and financing

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period amounted to MSEK 52.3 (65.3). Including a non-utilised overdraft facility, available cash and cash equivalents amounted to MSEK 52.3 (115.3). During the interim period, funds of MSEK 16.5, previously held on an escrow account, were released and no longer earmarked for investments in additional aircraft. Equity amounted to MSEK 63.4 (84.0). During the period, a capital contribution of MSEK 6.7 was made by certain shareholders, in addition to the MSEK 25.0 that was contributed by certain shareholder during the previous year. Following the new share issue, which was registered in April, the share capital increased by MSEK 15.9 to MSEK 42.9 and MSEK 15.8 was transferred to unrestricted equity as share premium. 15,864,205 preferred shares were issued at a subscription price of SEK 2 per share. In year 2015, the Company issued a corporate bond loan subject to trade on the NASDAQ in Stockholm. For more information see financial position and financing for the Group. The bond loan of MSEK 850 matures December 21, 2019.

#### **Contingent liabilities**

Contingent liabilities amounted to MSEK 1,166.9 (449.2). The increase is mainly attributable to increased guarantees for subsidiaries engagements with aircraft lessors, in particular the guarantee for the lease engagements of the three new B737-800 aircraft.

## **Group report**Consolidated statement of income and other comprehensive income

	Oct -Dec	Oct - Dec	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec
MSEK	2018	2017	2018	2017
Revenue	533.2	440.5	1,813.1	1,589.3
Cost of services provided	-509.1	-405.2	-1,774.7	-1,562.7
Gross income:	24.1	35.3	38.4	26.6
Selling costs	-5.0	-2.8	-12.9	-7.8
Administrative costs	-16.6	-14.2	-54-5	-48.2
Other operating income & costs	31.5	17.5	69.4	27.3
Operating income:	34.0	35.8	40.4	-2.1
Financial income & costs	-19.7	-20.3	-82.4	-74.6
Income before tax:	14.3	15.5	-42.0	-76.7
Income tax	3.0	1.9	6.8	15.1
Net Income:	17.3	17.4	-35.2	-61.6
Attributable to:				
- Shareholders of the Parent Company	17.3	17.4	-35,2	-61.6
Earnings per share, before and after dilution (SEK)	0.41	0.64	-0.82	-2.28
Average number of outstanding shares (Thousands)	42 869	27 005	42 869	27 005
Statement of other comprehensive income				
Net income:	17.3	17.4	-35.2	-61.6
Other comprehensive income:				
Items that may or has been classified as net income:				
Exchange-rate differences in translation of foreign				
operations	0.9	0.0	0.7	-0.7
Total comprehensive income for the period:	18.2	17.4	-34.5	-62.3
· · ·	10.2	1/-4	-54-5	-02.5
Attributable to:	40 -	4		6
- Shareholders of the Parent Company	18.2	17.4	-34-5	-62.3

## Condensed statement of financial position

	Dec 31	Dec 31
MSEK	2018	2017
Intangible assets	2.0	0.1
Tangible assets	721.6	796.4
Financial assets	66.9	29.8
Total non-current assets	790.5	826,3
Inventories	100.7	116.7
Other current assets	177.5	183.1
Assets held for sale*	147.3	21.3
Cash and cash equivalents	144.4	123.4
Total current assets	569.9	444.4
Total assets	1,360.5	1,270.8
Shareholders' equity	40.2	68.0
Non-current liabilities	115.3	920.7
Current liabilities	1,204.9	282.0
Total shareholders' equity and liabilities	1,360.5	1,270.8

<sup>\*</sup>A number of defined ATP aircraft

## Condensed changes in shareholders' equity

MSEK	Share capi- tal	Other con- tributed ca- pital*	Trans- lation re- serves	Profit brought forward including net income	Total share- holders' equity
Opening shareholders' equity, Jan 1, 2018	27.0	25.0	4.9	11.1	68.0
New share issue	15.9	-9.2	-	-	6.7
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	0.7	-35.2	-34.5
Closing balance Dec 31, 2018	42.9	15.8	5.6	-24.1	40.2
Opening shareholders' equity, Jan 1, 2017	27.0	-	5.6	72.7	105.3
Other contributed capital	-	25.0	-	-	25.0
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-0.7	-61.6	-62.3
Closing balance Dec 31, 2017	27.0	25.0	4.9	11.1	68.0

<sup>\*</sup>Dec 31, 2018: share premium from the new share issue amounts to MSEK 15.8.

## Condensed statement of cash flows

	Oct - Dec	Oct - Dec	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec
MSEK				
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Operating income	34.0	35.8	40.4	-2.1
Adjustments for non-cash items				
Depreciation	34.5	30.6	115.7	128.4
Other non-cash items	-4.2	11.2	-3.5	65.6
Income tax paid	7.5	6.6	5.0	-2.4
Cash flow from operating activities				
before changes in working capital	71.8	84.2	157.6	189.5
Change in working capital	103.0	-6.2	147.0	44.2
Cash flow from operating activities	174.9	78.0	304.6	233.7
Investments in intangible assets	-2.1	-	-2.1	-
Investments in tangible assets	-112.3	-35.6	-236.9	-143.2
Sales of tangible assets	14.1	-	56.1	-
Payments from other investing activities	-12.1	-0.2	-23.4	-11.8
Cash flow from investing activities	-112.5	-35.8	-206.3	-155.0
New share issue/contributed capital	-	25.0	6.7	25.0
Amortisation of interest bearing liabilities	-43.4	-3.9	-67.5	-12.3
Repaid/received funds from deposits	-0.8	-	2.4	0.1
Other changes in non-current liabilities	52.1	-	52.1	-
Interest paid	-34.0	-33.9	-76.2	-76.9
Cash flow from financing activities	-26.1	-12.8	-82.5	-64.1
Cash flow for the period	36.2	29.4	15.8	14.6
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	107.9	94.3	123.4	110.2
Translation difference in cash and cash equivalents	0.3	-0.4	5.2	-1.4
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	144.4	123.4	144.4	123.4

### **Notes**

#### Note 1 - Accounting principles, definitions and key performance indicators

#### Applied accounting principles

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the International Financing Reporting Standards (IFRS) and interpretations as adopted and approved by the EU. The Group has applied the same accounting policies and methods of computation as in the annual report 2017 with the exception of new and revised standards and interpretations that have come into effect as from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2018. As from 2018 the Group and the parent company applies the new standards IFRS15, Revenue from contract with customers and IFRS9, Financial instruments. For IFRS15, the transition to the standard was decided to be based on a prospective translation method. However the effect from the standard was not assessed to be significant why there were no adjustments in the opening balance. For IFRS9, the effect has been considered to be limited. For the new IFRS standard that will come into effect in 2019, IFRS16, Leases, the standard will affect the operating lease agreements in the Group significantly. The standard replaces the previous standard, IAS 17, Leases. The Group will apply the standard as from 1 January, 2019 and the transition at 1 January will be made according to the simplified rules with no retroactively calculation. The Group has made a review of the Group's leasing agreement, of which the aircraft leasing agreements and the offices/hangar leasing agreements have been identified, as IT and other office equipment, and cars. The leasing liability as per 1 January 2019 for aircraft and offices/hangar amounts to BNSEK 1,1 and where a corresponding asset for access right will be accounted for in the balance sheet. Following the standard as from 1 January 2019 for aircraft and offices/hangar amounts to BNSEK 1,1 and where a corresponding asset for access right will be accounted for in the balance sheet. Following the standard as from 1 January 2019 for aircraft and offices/hangar amounts to BNSEK 1,1 and where a corresponding asset for access right will be accounted for in the balance sheet. Following th

The Group also applies the recommendation from the Swedish Financial Reporting Board, RFR 1, supplementary accounting rules for groups. The Group's consolidated accounts are prepared and reported in Swedish Krona (SEK), which is the functional currency of the parent company. All figures in this report is rounded to Swedish Krona Millions (MSEK).

The interim report for the Group has been prepared in accordance with IAS34 Financial Interim Reporting. The interim report for the parent company has been prepared in accordance with RFR2, financial reporting for legal entities and the Swedish Annual Accounts Act (SAAA). There has been no changes in the accounting principles, essential assessments and estimates during the interim period, compared to the annual report for 2017 except for new IFRS standards that have come into effect 2018, see above, and revised assessment and estimation of residual values for aircraft, see the section below.

Information according to IAS34 Financial Interim Reporting are submitted in notes and elsewhere in this report.

For a complete summary of the Group's accounting principles, please see note 1, significant accounting principles in the annual report for 2017 available on the website of West Atlantic AB (publ), <a href="https://www.westatlantic.eu">www.westatlantic.eu</a>.

#### Revised assessment and estimation of residual values for aircraft

The intention for the Group has always been to try dispose aircraft after the end of the utilisation period, either through future sales or scrapping. Due to this, residual value has been applied for each individual asset. However, because of uncertainty about the future values, the applied estimated residual values have been relatively low. The normal routine for the Group is to overview the residual values at the beginning of every year. A distinctly increased interest in the market outside Europe for the ATP aircraft has been noted, not least demonstrated by the sales initiated already during 2017 and completed during the first quarter this year. The picture has been the same throughout this year, confirmed by several interest requests and discussions with stakeholders. This increased interest has made the Group aware of that the applied residual values for excess ATP aircraft, that will not be operated in the future, have been too low for the whole year. Following this revised assessment, the Group has decided to adjust the residual values for a number of ATP aircraft as from 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2018. The adjusted residual values has led to lower depreciation compared to if the depreciation should have been made using the lower, previous residual values. The lower depreciation which all has affected the period Jul – Dec, amounts to MSEK 19.0 and affects the items costs of service provided (a decrease) in the consolidated statement of financial position. The Group has also defined a number of parked ATP where a decision has been taken to sell them.

#### Alternative key performance indicators

Alternative key performance indicators means financial metrics that are used by the management, investors and lenders to evaluate the Group's net income and financial position which cannot be read from the financial reports, directly. These financial metrics are intended to facilitate analysis of the Group's development. The alternative key performance indicators shall not be considered as a substitute but rather as a complement to the financial reporting prepared according to IFRS. The financial metrics that are used in this report can differ from similar metrics used by other companies. Alternative key performance indicators and reconciliations are shown on the front of this report, and in note 3 and 6.

#### Note 2 - Breakdown of revenues

	Oct - Dec	Oct - Dec	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec
MSEK	2018	2017	2018	2017
Air freight services	524.9	431.8	1,785.7	1,539.1
Technical services	3.8	8.4	20.9	42.2
Aircraft leasing	-	-	-	5.1
Other revenue	4.5	0.3	6.5	2.9
Sum	533.2	440.5	1,813.1	1,589.3

### Note 3 – EBITDA

	Oct - Dec	Oct - Dec	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec
MSEK	2018	2017	2018	2017
Operating income	34.0	35.8	40.4	-2.1
Depreciation & Impairment	34.5	30.6	115.7	128.4
EBITDA	68.5	66.4	156.1	126.3

#### Note 4 - Other operating income & costs

MSEK	Oct - Dec 2018	Oct - Dec 2017	Jan - Dec 2018	Jan - Dec 2017
Income from collaboration agreement	25.7	16.1	34.6	21.4
CRJ200PF accident	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.7
Sale of aircraft and aircraft components Operating foreign exchange currency	10.1	1.0	39.6	4.6
gains/losses	-4.2	0.6	-4-7	0.6
Sum	31.5	17.5	69.4	27.3

#### Note 5 – Financial income & costs

	Oct - Dec	Oct - Dec	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec
MSEK	2018	2017	2018	2017
Interest costs	-20.5	-20.4	-81.8	-82.1
Financial exchange currency gains/losses*	-	-0.8	-3.3	6,3
Other financial income & costs	0.8	0.9	2.7	1.2
Sum	-19.7	-20.3	-82.4	-74.6

<sup>\*</sup>Includes loans, financial leasing and other financial assets and liabilities.

Note 6 - Income per quarter and key performance indicators

Income per quarter

MSEK	Oct - Dec	Jul - Sep	Apr - Jun	Jan - Mar	Oct - Dec	Jul - Sep	Apr - Jun	Jan - Mar
	2018	2018	2018	2018	2017	2017	2017	2017
Revenue	533.2	457.0	426.8	396.1	440.5	380.3	376.5	392.0
Cost of services provided	-509.1	-444.0	-429.2	-392.6	-405.2	-376.3	-396.3	-385.0
Gross income: Selling costs Administrative costs Other operating income & costs	<b>24.1</b>	13.0	-2.3	3.5	35-3	<b>4.0</b>	<b>-19.8</b>	<b>7.0</b>
	-5.0	-1.4	-5.0	-1.4	-2.8	-1.6	-1.9	-1.5
	-16.6	-13.3	-12.4	-12.2	-14.2	-10.9	-12.5	-10.6
	31.5	-1.6	-0.6	40.1	17.5	4.5	2.0	3.3
Operating income:	<b>34.0</b>	<b>-3.3</b>	<b>-20.3</b>	<b>30.1</b>	<b>35.8</b>	<b>-4.0</b>	<b>-32.2</b>	<b>-1.8</b>
Financial income & costs	-19.7	-19.2	-20.5	-23.1	-20.3	-18.4	-17.3	-18.5
Income before tax:	<b>14.3</b>	-22.5	- <b>40.7</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>-22.4</b>	<b>-49.5</b>	<b>-20.3</b>
Income tax	3.0	-1.1	4.4	0.5	1.9	-3.4	10.7	5.9
Net Income:	17.3	-23.6	-36.4	7.5	17.4	-25.8	-38.8	-14.4

Key performance indicators

	Jul - Sep	Jul - Sep	Apr - Jun	Jan - Mar	Oct - Dec	Jul - Sep	Apr - Jun	Jan - Mar
MSEK	2018	2018	2018	2018	2017	2017	2017	2017
Operating income	34,0	-3.3	-20.3	30,1	35.8	-4.0	-32,2	-1.8
Depreciation & Impairment	34-5	15.5	33.4	32.2	30.6	31.8	33.5	32.5
EBITDA	68.5	12.2	13.1	62.3	66.4	27.8	1.3	30.7
EBITDA - margin (%)	12.8%	2.7%	3.1%	15.7%	15.1%	7.3%	0.4%	7.8%
Cash and cash equivalents including								
unused overdraft facility	144.4	152.9	113.1	151.9	173.4	111.7	139.4	114.2
Cash flow from operating activities	174.9	38.7	39.2	51.8	78.0	43.0	105.1	7.6
Net interest bearing debt/EBITDA**	4.4	4.9	4.2	4.1	5.0	6.2	5.4	4.6
Interest coverage ratio**	2.4	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.9	2.4
Equity / Asset ratio (%)	3.0%	1.7%	3.7%	6.4%	5.3%	2.0%	4.1%	7.1%
Average employees	460	460	456	456	466	457	460	466

<sup>\*\*</sup>Defined by the corporate bond loan WEST 002 terms and conditions.

Note 7 - Fair value and booked value on financial assets and liabilities

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MSEK	Booked value	Fair value	Booked value	Fair value	
Financial assets					
Non-current financial receivables	57.6	57.6	28.9	28.9	
Other receivables incl accounts receivables	115.9	115.9	140.4	140.4	
Cash and cash equivalents	144.4	144.4	123.4	123.4	
Sum	317.9	317.9	292.7	292.7	
Financial liabilities					
Loans incl bank overdraft	923.5	928.0	888.3	876.4	
Other liabilities incl accounts payables	298.2	298.2	219.1	219.1	
Sum	1,221.7	1,226.2	1,170.4	1,095.5	

Fair value is normally determined by official market prices. When market prices are missing, fair value normally is determined by generally accepted valuation methods, such as discounted future cash flows based on available market information.

The fair value of the Group's financial assets and liabilities has been determined according to below:

- Level 1: Market prices (unadjusted) listed on an active market for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2: Other observed data for the asset or the liability than noted prices included in level 1, either direct (as price adjustments) or indirect (derived from noted prices).
- Level 3: Fair value determined out of valuation models, where significant data is based on unobservable data.

Items classified in level 1: the corporate bond loan, subject to trade on the NASDAQ OMX in Stockholm. The booked value is made at deferred acquisition value with regard to transaction costs.

Items classified in level 2: Non-interest-bearing long term financial receivables valued at deferred acquisition value and where the interest that is used to discount the amount to the acquisition value, is derived from a notation and an assessment is performed by the Group.

For other receivables including accounts receivables, cash and cash equivalents, other loans, other liabilities including accounts payables the booked values are considered to be a reasonable approximation of the fair values. Valuation is made at deferred acquisition value, which corresponds to nominal values adjusted with additional or deductible valuation items.

### Note 8 – Transactions with related parties

Transactions between the parent company and its subsidiaries and between subsidiaries within the Group have been eliminated in the Group consolidation. These transactions, including any transactions with affiliated companies, are made on current market terms based on the "arm's length" principle, which means between independent parties, well informed and with an own interest in the transactions. Transactions with key persons in leading positions and its related parties are made on current market terms based on the "arm's length principle". Below are shown the value of transactions made during the interim period and the outstanding balances (C=Claim, L=Liability) at reporting date.

MSEK		Jan - Dec 2018	31 Dec 2018
<u>Party</u>	<u>Transaction(s)</u>		
Horizon Objectives Ltd	Purchase of commercial services	2.9	1.8 L
Air Transport Services Group (ATSG)	Lease of B737 and B767 aircraft	155.2	39.6 L
Jordahn Management Service IVS	Purchase of consulting services	1.6	0.3 L

The relationships between the related parties, including the content of the leasing agreement above, are described in the annual report for 2017, note 32, except for Jordahn Management Service IVS. This company is owned by Lars Jordahn, who has been a board member and has performed consulting services. Compared to 2017-12-31, costs for leasing and

maintenance support have been added due to three leasing agreements, entered with ATSG in late December 2017, April 2018 and November 2018. The remaining lease periods are 3.9, 4.3 and 4.9 years and also concern maintenance support.

#### Note 9 - Business segment

West Atlantic operates a functional organisation independent of geographical concentration of management. The Group performs services all over the European area and only reports one operating segment "airfreight services", which is consistent with the internal reporting to the highest executive management, the board of West Atlantic AB (publ).

During the interim period, there has been no changes in the business segment and the structure of reporting. For more information, please see the annual report for 2017 note 1, essential accounting principles p 1.1.

#### Note 10 - Corporate bond - financial standing & Covenants

The Group is obliged to report its financial position as described in the terms and conditions of the bond. Below is a summary of the most important terms and conditions which applies to the loan. For more detail and definitions please see page 15 definitions, and also the West Atlantic webpage (www.westatlantic.eu) where the full terms and conditions

As per Dec 31, 2018 the Group meets its financial covenant. Financial covenants as per corporate bond terms and conditions:

Interest coverage ratio

The ratio of Net Interest Bearing Debt\* to EBITDA\*\* shall not exceed:

- (i) 6.00 during the year 2015 and 2016;
- (ii) 5.75 during the year 2017;
- (iii) 5.50 during the years 2018-2019.

- Incurrence test (this test is only applicable if new loans are raised):
  (a) the ratio of Net Interest Bearing\* Debt to EBITDA\*\* is not greater than:
  (i) 4.25 during the year 2015 and 2016;

  - (ii) 4.00 during the year 2017; (iii) 3.75 during the years 2018-2019;
- (b) the Interest Coverage Ratio (ratio of Net Finance Charges\*\*\* to EBITDA\*\*) shall exceed 2.50; and
- (c) no Event of Default is continuing or would occur upon the incurrence

Calculation of bond defined Net Interest bearing debt*	2018-12-31	2017-12-3
Interest bearing debt	967.9	956.
Overdraft	75.0	
Less financial leasing	-119.4	-68.
Less cash & cash equivalents	-144.4	-123.4
Net interest bearing debt*	779.1	765.0
Calculation of net finance charges***	Jan 2018 – Dec 2018	Jan 2017 - Dec 2017
Financial income	-3.9	-8.7
Financial costs	86.3	83.4
Bond transaction costs (WESToo1 and WESToo2)	-4.7	-4.6
Net foreign currency exchange differences	-3.1	6.3
Net finance charges***	74.6	76.4
Calculation of bond defined EBITDA**	Jan 2018 – Dec 2018	Jan 2017 - Dec 2017
Operating income	40.4	-2,1
Depreciation & Impairment	115.7	128.4
EBITDA	156.1	126.3
Adjustment for non-recurring items	<del>-</del>	
Provision for bad debt losses, Nextjet	1.6	
CRJ200PF accident	-	-0.7
Restructuring costs, ATP	1.4	0.5
Type introduction and start-up costs	19.7	27.6
Bond defined EBITDA**	178.7	153.7
Covenants test per closing date	2018-12-31	2017-12-31
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Net interest bearing debt Bond defined EBITDA	779.1 178.7	765.0
	, ,	153.7
Net interest bearing debt to R12M EBITDA	4.4	5.0
	2018-12-31	2017-12-3
Net finance charges	74.6	76.4

<sup>\*</sup>Net Interest Debt: means the aggregate interest bearing debt less cash and cash equivalents of the Group in accordance with the applicable accounting principles of the Group from time to time (for the avoidance of doubt, excluding guarantees, leases related to Leased Aircraft, bank guarantees, Subordinated Loans and interest bearing debt borrowed from any Group Company).

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<sup>\*\*</sup>EBITDA: means, in respect of the Reference Period, the consolidated profit of the Group from ordinary activities according to the latest Financial Report(s): (a) before deducting any amount of tax on profits, gains or income paid or payable by any member of the Group; (b) before deducting any Net Finance Charges; (c) before taking into account any extraordinary items which are not in line with the ordinary course of business, and non-recurring items; (d) before taking into account any Transaction Costs for the corporate bond loan and any transaction costs relating to any acquisition of any target company; (e) not including any accrued interest owing to any member of the Group; (f) before taking into account any unrealised gains or losses on any derivative instrument (other than any derivative instruments which is accounted for on a hedge account basis); (g) after adding back or deducting, as the case may be, the amount of any loss or gain against book value arising on a disposal of any asset (other than in the ordinary course of trading) and any loss or gain arising from an upward or downward revaluation of any asset; (h) after deducting the amount of any profit (or adding back the amount of any loss) of any member of the Group which is attributable to minority interests; (i) plus or minus the Group's share of the profits or losses of entities which are not part of the Group; and (j) after adding back any amount attributable to the amortisation, depreciation or depletion of assets of members of the Group.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Net finance charges means, for the Reference Period, the Finance Charges according to the latest Financial Report(s), after deducting any interest payable for that Reference Period to any member of the Group and any interest income relating to cash or cash equivalent investment (and excluding any interest capitalised on Subordinated Loans)

## Parent company report

## Statement of income including statement of other comprehensive income

	Okt - Dec	Okt - Dec	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec
MSEK	2018	2017	2018	2017
Net sales	110.6	180.5	382.2	704.0
Cost of services provided	-98.4	-187.4	-352.2	-712.5
Gross income:	12.2	-6.9	30.0	-8.5
Selling costs	-0.2	-1.5	-1.0	-3.0
Administrative costs	-6.3	-5.9	-20.5	-19.7
Other operating income & costs	1.5	6.0	5.0	7.2
Operating income:	7.2	-8.4	13.5	-24.0
Profit from shareholdings in group companies	-18.4	54.1	-18.4	54.1
Profit from shareholdings in associated companies	-0.1	-	-0.1	-
Interest & similar income	9.1	9.0	35.9	35.7
Interest & similar costs	-16.9	-16.8	-66.3	-66.5
Income after financial items:	-19.1	38.0	-35.4	-0.7
Tax on income for the period	8.1	-	8.1	-
Net income:	-11.0	38.0	-27.3	-0.7
Statement of other comprehensive income				
Net income:	-11.0	38.0	-27.3	-0.7
Other comprehensive income:	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the period	-11.0	38.0	-27.3	-0.7

## Condensed statement of financial position

	Dec 31	Dec 31
MSEK	2018	2017
Financial assets	542.9	535.0
Total non-current assets	542.9	535.0
Other current assets	537.1	418.3
Cash and cash equivalents	52.3	65.3
Total current assets	589.3	483.6
Total assets	1,132.2	1,018.6
Shareholders' equity	63.4	84.0
Non-current liabilities	13.4	853.0
Current liabilities	1,055.3	81.6
Total shareholders' equity and liabilities	1,132.2	1,018.6

## **Assurance**

The Board of Directors and President hereby assure that this interim report provides a true and fair overview of the performance of the parent company's and the Group's operations, financial position and earnings, and describes the significant risks and uncertainty factors to which the parent company and the companies included in the Group are exposed.

Gothenburg, February 22, 2019

Göran Berglund Chairman of the Board

Tony Auld Member of the Board Joseph Payne Member of the Board Russell Ladkin Member of the Board

Lars Jordahn CEO & President Anders Ehrling Member of the Board

This interim report has not been audited by the Company auditors.

## West Atlantic Aircraft fleet & flight traffic statistic

## Aircraft fleet as per 31 December, 2018:

		Drylea-					
	<u>Owned</u>	sed	Wet leased	<u>Total</u>	In Service	<b>Dryleased out</b>	Parked*
BAe ATP-F	26	5	-	31	13	1	17
Boeing 737-300SF	2	4	-	6	6	-	-
Boeing 737-400SF	3	10	1	14	14	-	-
Boeing 737-800BCF	-	3	-	3	3	-	-
Boeing 767-200SF	-	4	-	4	4	-	-
CRJ200PF	2	-	-	2	2	-	-
	33	26	1	60	42	1	17

 $<sup>\</sup>hbox{*Long term parked aircraft or aircraft not in daily operation}\\$ 

#### West Atlantic traffic statistics January – December, 2018:

	2018	3	2017	
	Q4	YTD	Q4	YTD
	Oct - Dec	Jan - Dec	Oct – Dec	Jan - Dec
Performed flights	6,097	22,535	6,328	23,862
Regularity (target >99%)	99.3%	99.2 %	99.3%	99.4 %
Number of hours flown	6,944	25,076	6,893	24,420

#### **Annual report**

The annual report for 2017 was published April 27, 2018.

#### Annual Shareholders' meeting

The West Atlantic Group's AGM was held on June 26, 2018 at the Group's head office located Gothenburg (Prästgårdsgatan 1, SE-412 71 Gothenburg).

#### **Financial Calendar**

Annual report 2018 April 30, 2019
Interim report January – March 2019 May 29, 2019
Annual general meeting 2019 June 4, 2019

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West Atlantic discloses the information contained in this interim report pursuant to the Swedish Securities Market Act and/or the Swedish Financial Instrument Trading Act.

## **Definitions**

Corporate Bond definitions Bond transaction costs

All direct costs in connection with the issue of bond loan such as consultant costs and fees.

Escrow account

Means a bank account of the Issuer, into which the Net Proceeds from the Bond issue will be transferred and which has been pledged in favour of The Trustee and the Holders (represented by the Trustee) under the Escrow Account Pledge Agreement.

Finance charges

The aggregate amount of the accrued interest, commission, fees, discounts, payment fees, premium or charges and other Finance payments in respect of financial Indebtedness whether paid, payable or capitalised by any member of the Group according to the latest Financial Report(s) (calculated on a consolidated basis) other than Transaction costs, capitalised interest in respect of any loan owing to any member of the Group or any Subordinated Loan, lease expenses related to Leased Aircraft, and taking no account of any unrealised gains or losses on any derivative instruments other than any derivative instrument which are accounted for on a hedge accounting basis.

Financial costs

Includes costs from: a) interest on loans at deferred acquisition value b) interest on financial loan receivables at deferred acquisition value c) any losses from sale of financial loan receivables d) losses from sale of any company which are not part of the Group e) any losses from market valuation of foreign exchange derivatives (hedging instruments) f) redemption costs for loans g) foreign exchange currency losses from revaluation of financial loan receivables, loans and finance leasing.

Financial income

Includes income from: a) interest on cash & cash equivalents b) interest on financial loan receivables at deferred acquisition value c) any sale of financial loan receivables d) dividend from any company which are not part of the Group e) gain from sale of any company which are not part of the Group f) any gains from market valuation of foreign exchange derivatives (hedging instruments) g) foreign exchange currency gains from revaluation of financial loan receivables, loans and finance

Financial Indebtedness

Means any indebtedness in respect of; a) monies borrowed or raised, including Market Loans; b) the amount of any liability in respect of any finance leases, to the extent the arrangements is treated as a finance lease in accordance with the accounting principles applicable on the First Issue Date (a lease which in the accounts of the Group is treated as an asset and a corresponding liability); c) receivables sold or discounted (other than any receivables to the extent they are sold on a nonrecourse basis); d) any amount raised under any other transaction (including any forward sale or purchase agreement) having the commercial effect of a borrowing; e)any derivative transaction entered into in connection with protection against or benefit from fluctuation in any rate or price (and when calculating the value of any derivative transaction, only the mark to market value shall be taken into account, provided that if any actual amount is due as a result of termination or a closeout, such amount shall be used instead); f) Any counter indemnity obligation in respect of a guarantee, indemnity, bond, standby or documentary letter of credit or any other instrument issued by a bank or financial institution; and g) (without double counting) any guarantee or other assurance against financial loss in respect of a type referred to in the above items (a)-(f).

Interest coverage ratio

The ratio between EBITDA and Net finance costs

Subordinated Loan

Means any loan of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries, where the Issuer or the relevant Subsidiary is the debtor, if such loan (a) according to its terms and pursuant to a subordination agreement on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Trustee, is subordinated to the obligations of the Issuer under the Terms and Conditions, (b) according to its terms have a final redemption date or, when applicable, early redemption dates or instalment dates or instalment dates which occur after the Final, Redemption date, (c) according to its terms yield only payment-in-kind interest.

Other definitions

ACMI

Aircraft, Crew, Maintenance, Insurance. A type of Wet-lease agreement where the airline offers the mentioned services in the contract with the customer.

Administration costs

Indirect cost demanded to create revenue connected to administration including part of salaries & other remuneration and depreciation, travel, IT and other admin-

istration costs.

Aircraft fleet The aircraft types BAe ATP, CRJ200PF, B737-300F/-400F, B737-800BCF and B767-200. The aircraft the Group currently operates. Both owned and leased.

AOC Aircraft operating certificate. Approval granted by a national aviation authority to an operator to allow to use aircraft for commercial purposes.

ATSG Air Transport Services Group Inc. US based partner which owns 39 % of the shares of West Atlantic AB (publ)

Cash and cash equivalents Cash in hand, cash in banks and other liquid investments which can be transferred into cash within a period of maximum 3 months.

Cost of services provided

All direct operating cost demanded to create the revenue including aircraft maintenance, fuel, aircraft leasing, part of salaries & other remuneration and deprecia-

tion, hangar rents and other direct operating expenses

Collaboration agreement The Group is a part of an agreement for aircraft management and leasing activities with an external party.

**EBITDA** Income before interest, tax, depreciation (including impairment) and amortisation. Operating income adjusted for depreciation.

EBITDA margin (%) The percentage ratio between EBITDA and revenue

EBIT Operating income according to statement of income and other comprehensive income

EBT Income before tax

Ratio between equity and total assets

Fleet Dispatch Regularity Defined as % of flights departing according to plan, i.e. flights that are not cancelled. Global Integrator Referring to the three major global express providers (FedEx/TNT, DHL, UPS)

Items affecting comparability

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Items that occur infrequently are extraordinary or unusual in the ordinary business activities, such as type introduction and start-up costs, redemption cost of loans,

income from collaboration agreement, restructuring, financial FX gains or losses from loans and finance leasing

National mail organisation such as PostNord (Sweden), Royal Mail (UK), Norwegian Mail (Norway), La Poste (France). On Time Performance. Defined as % of flights departing and arriving according to times schedule.

Overdraft facility The total overdraft facility of the Group amounts to MSEK 75.0

Wet-lease Airline providing aircraft capacity to another airline