BARBADOS NATIONAL INSURANCE BOARD



REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE NATIONAL INSURANCE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

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AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE BARBADOS

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE NATIONAL INSURANCE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the National Insurance Fund which comprise of the balance sheet as at December 31, 2006, the statement of income and expenditure, statement of fund reserves and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that I comply with relevant ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on my judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, I consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting principles used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

I was unable to validate the valuation of a credit representing reimbursement for non-contributory pensions in the amount of \$14,603,640 which was applied to benefit expense. Further, I was unable to satisfactory complete procedures designed to verify the existence of a sample of pensioners to whom benefits were paid during the year. Consequently, I was unable to determine whether any adjustments to the total benefit expense of \$297,420,189 was required.

I was unable to verify the existence and valuation of equity investments held of \$70.9M due to lack of sufficient appropriate audit evidence. In addition, no impairment analysis had been conducted for the investment portfolio held. I was also unable to verify a \$3.2M receivable from the Government of Barbados and \$1.9 payable to the Training Fund.

Qualified Opinion

In my opinion, except for the possible effects of the matters described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the National Insurance Fund of Barbados as at 31st December, 2005, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with specific significant accounting policies as disclosed in Note 3 of the financial statements.

L. E. TROTMAN Auditor General

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Balance Sheet

December 31, 2005 with comparative figures for 2004

(Expressed in Barbados dollars)

Assets Current Assets	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2005</u>		2004
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable Short-term investments Prepaid expenses	3 4 5(a)	\$ 126,892,819 28,926,271 345,345,869 7,759	\$	108,461,838 33,494,248 316,358,236 25,574
Total Current Assets		501,172,718		458,339,896
Other Assets Long-term investments Investment property Fixed assets	5(b) 5(c) 6	1,662,030,079 12,788,332 31,807,802		1,492,545,748 12,445,997 32,745,840
Total Other Assets	** **********************************	1,706,626,213		<u>1,537,737,585</u>
Total Assets		\$ 2,207,798,931	\$	1,996,077,481
Liabilities and Fund Reserves Current Liabilities				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	7	\$ 11,209,411	\$	<u>24,830,346</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>11,209,411</u>		<u>24,830,346</u>
Fund Reserves Unrealized gain on investments Fund balance	8 9	124,122,393 _2,072,467,127	•	106,061,770 1,865,185,365
Total Fund Reserves Total Liabilities and Fund Reserves		\$ 2,196,589,520 2,207,798,931	\$.	1,971,247,135 1,996,077,481

Approved on behalf of the Board:

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Dr. Justin Robinson

Chairman

National insurance Board

Jennifer Hunte

Director (ag.) National Insurance Office

Janice Estwick

Financial Controller (ag.) National Insurance Office

Statement of Fund Reserves

Year ended December 31, 2005 with comparative figures for 2004

(Expressed in Barbados dollars)

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Fund balance at January 1	\$ 1,865,185,365	1,674,156,378
Net income for the year	207,281,762	191,028,987
Fund balance at December 31	\$ <u>2,072,467,127</u>	<u> 1,865,185,365</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Statement of Income and Expenditure

Year ended December 31, 2005 with comparative figures for 2004

(Expressed in Barbados dollars)

		<u>Notes</u>	<u>2005</u>		2004
Income Contributions Interest/penalties on contributions Investment income Rental income Miscellaneous income Realized gain on sale of investments	,	2(c) 2(d)	\$ 409,474,649 2,213,464 112,345,009 1,086,000 2,700,684 5,034,484	\$	366,125,557 678,380 103,771,400 1,086,000 2,966,130 2,203,133
Net unrealized gain on investments Gain on disposal of fixed assets Total income		¥	9,493,898 835		5,501,049 40,687
Expenditure		40	542,349,023	,	482,372,336
Benefit expense Administration expenses Realized loss on sale of investments Depreciation	. ~	10 11 6	297,439,554 20,215,317 7,785,325 9,627,065		264,410,072 19,287,572 660,601 6,985,104
Total expenditure		Ο ,	335,067,261		291,343,349
Net income			\$ 207,281,762	\$,	<u>191,028,987</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended December 31, 2005 with comparative figures for 2004

(Expressed in Barbados dollars)

		<u>2005</u>		<u>2004</u>
Cash flows from operating activities Net income Items not affecting cash:	\$	207,281,762	\$	191,028,987
Depreciation Gain on sale of fixed assets Unrealized gain on investments Net changes in non-cash working capital items		9,627,065 (835) (9,493,898)		6,985,104 (40,687) (5,501,049)
relating to operations: Decrease in accounts receivable Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses (Decrease) increase in accounts payable	-	4,567,977 17,815 (13,620,935)		18,184,310 (18,167) 10,746,122
Net cash from operating activities		198,378,951		221,384,620
Cash flows from investing activities Increase in investments and investment property - net Additions to fixed assets Proceeds from sale of fixed assets		(171,259,778) (8,689,027) 835		(333,295,268) (8,780,782) 40,687
Net cash used in investing activities		(179,947,970)		(342,035,363)
Increase (decrease) in cash and bank balances		18,430,981		(120,650,743)
Cash and bank balances at January 1		108,461,838		229,112,581
Cash and bank balances at December 31	\$,	126,892,819	<u>\$</u>	<u>108,461,838</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2005

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1. Principal Activity

The National Insurance Fund ("The Fund") was established by the National Insurance and Social Security Act, Cap. 47 of the Laws of Barbados on June 5, 1967. The registered office is located at the Frank Walcott Building, Culloden Road, St. Michael.

The objective of the Fund is to effectively administer the National Insurance Social Security needs of the insured population of Barbados.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

- (a) Basis of accounting
 These financial statements have been prepared in conformity with the significant accounting policies stated below.
- (b) Basis of preparation.

 The financial statements are presented in Barbados dollars, rounded to the nearest dollar. They are prepared on the historical cost basis except that equity investments are stated at their fair value. The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Significant accounting policies adopted by the Fund are as follows:

- (c) Revenue and expense recognition
 - (i) Contributions, interest/penalties on contributions

 Contributions and interest and penalties for late payment are recognised as income in the year of receipt as there is some uncertainty with respect to the collection of the arrears. The amounts when received are allocated to the various funds using the percentage allocation applicable by law in the year when the contributions were due.
 - (ii) Investment income Investment income is recognised in the Statement of Income and Expenditure on an accrual basis using the effective interest method. In the case of dividends, income is recognised in the year of receipt.
 - (iii) Rental income
 Rental income is recognised on the accrual basis.
 - (iv) Benefit expense Benefit expenses are recognised in the year of payment.

All other revenue and expenses are recognised on the accrual basis.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

(d) Investments Investments are classified as held for trading, fair value through profit or loss, available-for-sale, or held to maturity. The classification is dependent on the purpose for which the investments were acquired. Management determines the classification of its investments at the time of purchase.

(i) Investments in debt and equity-securities

Local and regional equities are classified as available-for-sale. Available-for-sale investments are initially recorded at cost and are subsequently recorded at fair value based on published market bid prices. Unrealised gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are included within a separate component of the Fund balance until the investment is de-recognised or is determined to be impaired. On de-recognition or impairment, the cumulative unrealised gains or losses previously reported within the Fund balance are transferred to the Statement of Income and Expenditure. Realised gains and losses arising from the sale of these investments, which are determined by specific identification, are included within net realised investment gains and losses and include adjustments for declines in value that are considered other than temporary.

Available-for-sale assets are classified as long-term as the Fund has no intention of liquidation within twelve months.

Foreign equities are classified as held for trading. Unrealised gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are included in the Statement of Income and Expenditure.

(ii) Other investments

Long-term investments are stated at cost, except for those instruments that were purchased at a discount and management has the positive intent and ability to hold these investments to maturity. In the latter case, these are stated at amortised cost.

Term deposits are stated at the amount of principal outstanding and treasury bills are shown at cost.

The investments in joint ventures are stated at cost and are included under Real Estate.

Investment property, comprising office space in the E. Humphrey Walcott building at the corner of Collymore Rock and Culloden Road is shown at cost. The offices were occupied from 2004 on completion of the building. Rental Income was \$1,116,231 for 2005.

- (e) Other receivables Other receivables are stated at their cost less impairment losses. An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of Income and Expenditure.
- (f) Provision for doubtful Interest Provision is made on the specific identification of interest receivable that is doubtful.
- (g) Foreign currency transactions
 Transactions in foreign currencies are translated at the foreign exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated to Barbados dollars at the foreign exchange rate ruling at that date. Foreign exchange differences are recognised in the Statement of Income and Expenditure.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

(h) Fixed assets

(i) Owned assets

Fixed assets are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation.

(ii) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful life of the depreciable assets on the straightline basis. A full year's depreciation is taken in the year of acquisition and none in the year of disposal. The following annual rates apply:

Buildings	2.5%		Plant and equipment	10.0%
Furniture and fixtures	10.0%	٧	Motor vehicles	20.0%
Computer equipment	33.3%			

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are re-assessed at the reporting date.

(i) Cash and cash equivalents .

The Fund considers all cash in bank, deposits with financial institutions that can be withdrawn without prior notice or penalty, and short term deposits with less than ninety days maturity from the date of acquisition as equivalent to cash.

(j) Taxation
Pursuant to Section 55 of Cap.47 notwithstanding any other enactment.

Pursuant to Section 55 of Cap.47 notwithstanding any other enactment, the income of the National Insurance Board is exempt from any tax, duty or other impost.

(k) - Actuarial reviews

The National Insurance and Social Security Act, Part V, Section 34 requires the conduct of a triennial actuarial review. As at December 31, 2005 the last published review would have been the 11th actuarial review as at December 31, 2002. The review for the years 2003-2005 would be conducted in 2006. The National Insurance Fund provides for long-term benefits: old-age, invalidity and survivors, short-term benefits: sickness, maternity and funeral grants and employment injury benefits: injury, disablement, death and funeral grants.

(I) Comparative information
Where necessary, comparative data has been reclassified to conform to the presentation in the current year. These changes have no effect on the operating results, profit or net assets of the Fund for the previous year.

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3,	Statement of Cash and Bank Bala	nces		-		2005		2004
						<u>2005</u>		<u>2004</u>
	Cash at hand			\$		3,290,993	\$	2,080,685
	Petty cash					181		354
	Current accounts - Barbados Natio	nal Bank	. .			112,598,564		91,806,201
	Current account – FirstCaribbean In	iternational	Bank			E 260 252		4 700 000
	Limited Cashiers' advances					5,362,252 248,163		4,702,929 232,494
	Advance held at post office					2,477,455		2,500,586
	Cash account - Merrill Lynch					640		640
	Cash account - ML, Pierce, Fenner	, Smith	-7			1,748,252		1,422,510
	Cash accounts – Prudential Finance	9	·		_	<u>1,166,319</u>		5,715,439
				\$	_	126,892,819	\$	108,461,838
4.	Statement of Accounts Receivable	ÍA						
4.	Statement of According Receivable	,				<u>2005</u>		<u>2004</u>
	Interest receivable			\$		18,997,936	\$	17,021,021
	Receivable – UN Joint Venture			*		49,782	7	3,804,403
	Receivable – Real Estate			•		900,000		1,609,157
	Rent receivable					90,000		90,000
	VAT receivable	. 1				41,139		45,481
	Receivable from Unemployment Fu	na				3,227,799 5,619,645		6,148,064 <u>4,776,122</u>
	Other receivables				-	0,013,010		4,170,122
				\$	_	28,926,2 7 1	<u>\$</u>	33,494,248
5.	Investments							
٠.		<u>%</u>		<u>20</u>	005	<u>%</u>		<u>2004</u>
	(a) Short term Investments:			000 04 5		40 77		# 0F0 400 000
	Fixed deposits and Treasury bills	14.37	\$	290,215,8		13.73		\$ 250,109,236
	Treasury notes	0.25 <u>2.48</u>		5,000,0 50,130,0		1.3 [,] 2.3;		23,900,000 <u>42,349,000</u>
	Debentures	<u>17.10</u>		345,345,8		17.3		<u>316,358,236</u>
	(b) Long term investments:						=	
	Fixed deposits	0.79	\$	16,000,0		0.88		\$ 16,000,000
	Debentures	36.58		738,888,		39.50		719,507,123
	Local and regional equities	13.84		279,636,7		13.1		239,431,466
	Bonds	10.58		213,831,4 234,425,0		10.69 9.2		194,639,476 168,778,000
	Treasury notes Loans	11.60 4.25		85,891,8		3.8		70,326,900
	Real estate joint ventures	0.53		10,643,4		0,5		10,643,406
	Foreign investments	4.09		82,713,	276	4.0	<u>2</u>	<u>73,219,377</u>
	•	82.27	\$ <u>_1</u>	,662,030,	079	86.2	<u>Z</u>	\$ <u>1,492,545,748</u>
	(c) investment property:			40 ===		0.0		40 445 00=
	Investment property	<u>0.63</u>	<u></u>	12,788,		0.6 0.6		12,445,997 \$ 12,445,997
		<u>0.63</u>	\$ <u>_</u>	12,788,	<u> </u>	0.0	ᅶ	Ψ <u>ιε,440,337</u>
	Total Investments	100.00	\$ <u>_2</u>	2,020,164,	280	100.0	<u>0</u>	\$ <u>1,821,349,981</u>
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. Fixed Assets

Cost Balance at January 1, 2004 Additions Disposals Balance at December 31, 2004 Balance at January 1, 2005 Additions Disposals Balance at December 31, 2005 Accumulated Depreciation Balance at January 1, 2004	Land & Building \$26,863,832 1,378,822 \$28,242,654 \$28,242,654 457,796 \$28,700,449	Furniture & Fittings \$1,822,451 232,226 (42,567) \$2,012,110 \$2,012,110 \$2,012,110 \$2,189,610 \$2,189,610	Motor Vehicle \$130,761 86,210 (70,000) \$146,971 \$146,971 \$146,971	Plant & Equipment \$723,939 \$723,939 \$723,939 \$723,939 \$723,939	Computer Equipment \$5,708,533 1,368,909 (48,275) \$7,029,167 1,957,673 (601,710) \$8,385,130	\$9,678,529 5,714,615 \$15,393,144 \$15,393,144 \$16,088,415 \$21,481,559	Total \$44,928,045 8,780,782 (160,842) \$53,547,985 \$53,547,985 8,689,027 (609,354) \$61,627,658
Accumulated Depreciation					ě		
Balance at January 1, 2004 Charge for year Disposals Balance at December 31, 2004	\$7,120,105 889,314 <u>\$8,009,419</u>	\$1,009,743 134,484 (42,567) \$1,101,660	\$82,152 29,394 (70,000) \$41,546	\$548,449 28,888 \$577,337	\$5,217,434 771,976 (48,275) \$5,941,135	\$5,1	5,131.048 \$5,131,048
Balance at January 1, 2005 Charge for year Disposals	8,009,419 980,873	1,101,660 151,386 (7,644)	41,546 29,394	577,337 20,605	5,941,135 1,284,287 (601,710)	5,1 7,1	5,131,048 7,160,520
Balance at December 31, 2005	\$8,990,292	\$1,245,402	\$70,940	\$597,942	\$6,623,712	\$12,2	\$12,291,568
Net Book Value Balance at December 31, 2004 Balance at December 31, 2005	\$20,233,235 \$19,710,157	\$910,450 \$944,208	\$105,425 \$76,031	\$146,602 \$125,997	\$1,088,032 \$1,761,418	\$10,3 \$9,7	\$10,262,096 \$9,189,991

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CMA Money Funds Prudential

Total

7.	Statement of Accounts Payable			<u> 2005</u>	2004
	Accounts payable and accrued expense Rent Payable – UN Premises Liability to Unemployment Fund Liability to Severance Fund Liability to Training Fund Liability to Levies Liability to Sugar Workers' Fund	⊖s	\$	1,954,921 298,981 4,153,236 2,002,333 1,901,243 984 4,749	\$ 4,051,149 3,855,690 8,207,221 4,454,466 3,401,711 1,012 1,872
	Liability to Accountant General		-	892,964	857,225
	•		\$ <u>.</u>	<u> 11,209,411</u>	\$ <u>24,830,346</u>
8.	Statement of Equities	m.e.			
	2005	No of	Share Val	ue Current Mark	et Unrealized Capital
		<u>Shares</u>	<u>at co</u>		<u>es Gain/(Loss)</u>
	Almond Resorts Inc.	1,400,000	\$ 3,025,0	50 \$ 3,290,00	00 \$ 264,950
	Barbados Light & Power Holdings Ltd.	3,316,157	14,031,6	71 37,306,76	36 23,275,095
	Cable & Wireless Barbados Ltd.	1,618,047	1,975,4		31 1,891,693
	Banks Holdings (Barbados) Ltd.	1,715,500	4,369,3		70 2,732,852
	First Caribbean International Bank	12,819,355	35,409,7		
	Barbados Shipping &Trading Co. Ltd.	2,803,779	12,007,6		
	St. Lucia Electricity Services Ltd. **	571,42 9	4,246,2		
	Barbados National Bank Inc.	9,600,000	17,280,0		
	Insurance Corporation of Barbados Ltd		2,600,0		
	Grace Kennedy & Co. Ltd.	4,928,000	8,720,3		
	Barbados Farms Limited	500,000	324,0		
	RBTT Financial Holdings Limited	1,148,144	14,137,6		
	Sagicor Financial Group	5,256,105	13,442,2		
	Courts (Barbados) Ltd.	81,398	455,7		
	Nat'l Commercial Bank of Jamaica	1,085,291	713,7		
	Trinidad Cement Limited	95,669	196,1		
	Republic Bank Limited	311,337	10,144,7		
	Enterprise Growth Fund*	10,000	1,000,0	00 1,000,00	JU -
	Barbados Agency for Micro Enterprise Development Ltd. *	10,000	1,000,0	00,000,00	nn
	Needhams Point Holdings Limited*	10,000	10,300,0		
	East Caribbean Financial Holdings	23,000_	134,4		
	Total Regional & Local	~0,000_	\$ 155,514,3		
	Total Holinia a manni	_			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
					•
			\$ Mkt Va	lue \$ Mkt Vali	ue \$ Unrealized

at Dec 2004

43,364,020 29,855,357

73,219,377

at Dec 2005 Gains (Losses)

2,528,700 6,965,199

9,493,899

45,892,720 36,820,556

82,713,276

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8. Statement of Equities (cont'd)

<u>2004</u>	No of <u>Shares</u>	\$ Share Value at cost	\$ Share Value at Market	\$ Unrealized Gains/ (Losses)
Cable & Wireless Barbados Ltd.	1,618,047	1,975,438	2,669,778	694,340
Barbados Light & Power Holdings Ltd.	3,316,157	14,031,671	31,171,876	17,140,205
Banks Holdings (Barbados) Ltd.	1,715,500	4,369,318	6,690,450	2,321,132
Courts (Barbados) Ltd.	81,398	455,762	406,990	(48,772)
St. Lucia Electricity Corporation **	571,429	4,246,299	6,137,565	1,891,266
Almond Resorts Inc.	1,400,000	× 3,025,050	2,520,000	(505,050)
Barbados Shipping &Trading Co. Ltd.	2,148,779	7,012,265	15,686,087	8,673,822
Grace Kennedy & Co. Ltd.	4,428,000	8,720,382	15,523,200	6,802,818
Needhams Point Holdings Ltd*	10,300,000	10,300,000	10,300,000	-
Barbados National Bank Inc.	9,600,000	17,280,000	50,880,000	33,600,000
Insurance Corporation of Barbados Ltd	. 2,000,000	2,600,000	7,700,000	5,100,000
Enterprise Growth Fund *	10,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	, , ,
Barbados Agency for Micro	•		, ,	
Enterprise Development Ltd.*	10,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	-
Sagicor Financial Group	3,755,580	6,572,265	16,336,770	9,764,505
First Caribbean International Bank	12,819,355	35,409,708	54,482,259	19,072,551
RBTT Financial Holdings Limited	1,148,144	14,137,621	15,270,315	1,132,694
Barbados Farms	500,000	324,000	675,000	351,000
Trinidad Cement Limited	95,669	196,121	210,472	14,351
Nat'l Commercial Bank of J'ca	1,085,291_	713,796	770,704	56,908
		\$133,369,696	\$239,431,466	\$106,061,770

^{*} Not traded on a Securities Exchange at December 31, 2005

2004 equities are classified as follows:

2004 Equidos are oldoninos de follovo.	\$ Mkt Value	\$ Mkt Value	\$ Unrealized
	at Dec 2003	at Dec 2004	Gains/ (Losses)
CMA Money Funds	40,159,076	43,364,020	3,204,944
Prudential	27,559,252	29,855,357	<u>2,296,105</u>
•	<u>67,718,328</u>	73,219,377	<u>5,501,049</u>

^{**} Not traded on a Securities Exchange at December 31, 2005. Price reflects over-the-counter trades.

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Injury benefit

Disablement grant

Sickness benefits

Maternity benefits

Non-contributory pension - net

Maternity grants

Funeral grant

Traveling expenses – Employment injury Medical expenses – Employment injury

9.	Statement of Fund Reserves			
	The Fund operates on a pooled funds approach.	The Fund	balance therefore	represents the total
	assets to finance all branches as follows:		<u>2005</u>	2004
	Short-term contingency reserve (6 months)	\$	16,300,000	9,600,000
	Employment injury branch: Short-term contingency reserve (6 months) Capitalized value of pensions Long-term branch reserve		3,200,000 40,200,000 <u>2,012,767,127</u>	1,800,000 39,600,000 <u>1,814,185,365</u>
	Total reserves		<u>2,072,467,127</u>	<u>1,865,185,365</u>
10.	Statement of Benefit Expense		2005	2004
	Old age contributory pension Old age contributory grant Invalidity pension Invalidity grant Survivors' pension Survivors' grant Death benefit pension — Employment injury Disablement pension — Employment injury	\$	183,576,419 524,268 28,899,615 20,228 10,719,872 4,034 298,931 3,533,269 4,231,156	168,608,460 708,136 26,178,226 2,478 7,893,226 161,749 171,842 2,065,117 1,981,237

128,414

756,850

1,120,501

19,934,257

8,585,166

2,084,725

32,707,149

297,439,554

319,700

38,168

167,147

1,935,616

11,793,833

6,470,927

35,703,333

264,410,072

156,800

373,777

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11. Statement of Administration Expenses

Salaries and payroll expenses Travelling expenses Conferences and visits overseas Utilities Library subscriptions Supplies and stationery Maintenance of property Operating expenses Professional services Rental of property Board and tribunal expenses Subscription to International organizations Bank charges	to the state of th	\$	2005 10,524,242 162,396 43,927 1,489,855 41,086 785,836 2,685,204 1,264,015 2,426,520 30,000 51,944 35,988 674,304	2004 9,912,050 138,839 150,728 1,231,691 18,088 906,954 3,080,962 1,225,406 1,962,892 30,000 43,952 31,469 554,541
		`\$ <u></u>	20,215,317	19,287,572

12. Financial Instruments

Exposure to credit, interest rate and currency risk arises in the normal course of the Fund's operations. Financial assets of the Fund include cash at bank, term deposits, accounts receivable, interest receivable and short-term and long-term investments. Financial liabilities include accounts payable and accrued expenses.

- (a) Credit risk Cash is placed with reputable institutions. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each financial asset in the balance sheet.
- (b) Interest rate risk
 Interest rate risk is mitigated by diversification of the fixed income portfolio. The Fund's bond portfolio is not marked to market as the bonds are held to maturity; therefore interest rate risk is not a major factor.
- (c) Foreign currency risk

 The Fund incurs foreign currency risk on sales and purchases that are denominated in a currency other than Barbados dollars. The Fund ensures that the net exposure is kept at an acceptable level by buying and selling at spot rates where necessary to address short-term imbalances.

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12. Financial Instruments (cont'd)

(d) Fair value

The fair values of cash at bank, term deposits, accounts receivable, interest receivable, short-term investments and accounts payable and accrued expenses are not materially different from their carrying amounts.

The fair value of equities has been determined by reference to the market value at the balance sheet date.

Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time, based on market conditions and information about the financial instrument. These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgement and therefore, cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.

13. Real estate joint ventures

The Fund has an interest in the following real estate joint ventures:

Joint Ventures	%	2005 \$	٠	%	2004 \$
UN House Joint Venture	50,00%	1,800,000		50.00%	1,800,000
ICB Joint Venture	27.65%	5,543,406		27.65%	5,543,406
BET Building Joint Venture	33.00%	3,300,000		33.00%	3,300,000

14. Related party transactions

The Fund has a related party relationship with the following joint venturers (see note 13):

Sagicor

Insurance Corporation of Barbados

Fortress Caribbean Property Fund & Sagicor

15. Contingencies .

As at the balance sheet date, there are no known contingencies.