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FORM 20-F

.. **REGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

OR

x **ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**
For the fiscal year ended: June 30, 2009

OR

.. **TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

OR

.. **SHELL COMPANY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**
Date of event requiring this shell company report _____

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number: 1-13542

IRSA INVERSIONES Y REPRESENTACIONES SOCIEDAD ANÓNIMA

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

IRSA INVESTMENTS AND REPRESENTATIONS INC.

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Republic of Argentina

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Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Name of each exchange on which registered
Global Depositary Shares, each representing ten shares of Common Stock Common Stock, par value one Peso per share	New York Stock Exchange New York Stock Exchange*

* Not for trading, but only in connection with the registration of Global Depositary Shares, pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act: None

The number of outstanding shares of the issuer's common stock as of June 30, 2009 was 578,676,460.

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

If this report is an annual or transition report, indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

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

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer

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

U.S. GAAP International Financial Reporting Standards as issued Other

by the International Accounting Standards Board

If Other has been checked in response to the previous question, indicate by check mark which financial statement item the registrant has elected to follow. Item 17 Item 18

If this is an annual report, indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

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DISCLOSURE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements.

This annual report includes forward-looking statements, principally under the captions Summary, Risk Factors, Operating and Financial Review and Prospects and Business Overview. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current beliefs, expectations and projections about future events and financial trends affecting our business. Many important factors, in addition to those discussed elsewhere in this annual report, could cause our actual results to differ substantially from those anticipated in our forward-looking statements, including, among other things:

changes in general economic, business, political or other conditions in Argentina or changes in general economic or business conditions in Latin America;

changes in capital markets in general that may affect policies or attitudes toward lending to or investing in Argentina or Argentine companies;

changes in exchange rates or regulations applicable to currency exchanges or transfer;

unexpected developments in pending litigation;

increased costs;

unanticipated increases in financing and other costs or the inability to obtain additional debt or equity financing on attractive terms; and

the risk factors discussed under Risk Factors .

The words believe, may, will, aim, estimate, continue, anticipate, intend, expect, forecast and similar words are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include information concerning our possible or assumed future results of operations, business strategies, financing plans, competitive position, industry environment, potential growth opportunities, the effects of future regulation and the effects of competition. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they were made, and we undertake no obligation to update publicly or to revise any forward-looking statements after we distribute this annual report because of new information, future events or other factors. In light of the risks and uncertainties described above, the forward-looking events and circumstances discussed in this annual report might not occur and are not guarantees of future performance.

CERTAIN MEASUREMENTS AND TERMS

As used throughout this annual report, the terms IRSA, the Company, we, us, and our refer to IRSA Inversiones y Representaciones Sociedad Anónima, together with our consolidated subsidiaries, except where we make clear that such terms refer only to the parent company.

In Argentina the standard measure of area in the real estate market is the square meter (m²), while in the United States and certain other jurisdictions, the standard measure of area is the square foot (sq. ft.). All units of area shown in this annual report (e.g., gross leasable area of buildings and size of undeveloped land) are expressed in terms of square meters. One square meter is equal to approximately 10.764 square feet. One hectare is equal to approximately 10,000 square meters and approximately 2.47 acres.

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PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL AND CERTAIN OTHER INFORMATION

In this annual report where we refer to *Peso*, *Pesos*, or *Ps.* we mean Argentine pesos, the lawful currency in Argentina; when we refer to *U.S. dollars*, or *US\$* we mean United States dollars, the lawful currency of the United States of America; and when we refer to *Central Bank* we mean the Argentine Central Bank.

This annual report contains our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements as of June 30, 2009 and 2008 and for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 (our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements), which have been audited by Price Waterhouse & Co. S.R.L., Buenos Aires, Argentina, a member firm of PricewaterhouseCoopers, an independent registered public accounting firm, whose report is included herein.

We prepare our consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2009 and 2008 in thousands of Pesos and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Argentina, as set forth by the *Federación Argentina de Consejos Profesionales de Ciencias Económicas* (*FACPCE*) and as implemented, adapted, amended, revised and/or supplemented by the *Consejo Profesional de Ciencias Económicas de la Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires* (*CPCECABA*) (collectively, *Argentine GAAP*) and the regulations of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*, which differ in certain significant respects from accepted accounting principles in the United States of America (*U.S. GAAP*). Such differences involve methods of measuring the amounts shown in our consolidated financial statements as well as additional disclosures required by U.S. GAAP and Regulation S-X of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (*SEC*). See Note 29 to our consolidated financial statements for a description of the principal differences between Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP, as they relate to us, and reconciliation to U.S. GAAP of net income and shareholders' equity.

In order to comply with the regulations of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores* (*CNV*), we discontinued inflation accounting as of February 28, 2003. Since Argentine GAAP required companies to discontinue inflation adjustments as from October 1, 2003, the application of the CNV resolution represented a departure from Argentine GAAP. However, due to low inflation rates during the period from March 1, to September 30, 2003, such a departure did not have a material effect on our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements.

Resolution CD 93/2005, issued by the CPCECABA provided for the accounting treatment of differences between the tax basis and book basis of non-monetary items for deferred income tax calculation purposes when companies prepare price-level restated financial statements. This resolution mandated companies to treat these differences as temporary but allowed a one-time accommodation to continue treating these differences as permanent. As a result, we elected to continue treating differences as permanent.

In compliance with Rule 3-09 of Regulation S-X, this annual report includes the Consolidated Financial Statements of Banco Hipotecario S.A. (*Banco Hipotecario*) as of June 30, 2009 and 2008 and for the twelve months ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007.

Also in compliance with Rule 3-09 of Regulation S-X, this annual report includes the Consolidated Financial Statements of Metropolitan 885 Third Avenue LLC. (*Metropolitan*) as of June 30, 2009 and for the year then ended.

Certain amounts which appear in this annual report (including percentage amounts) may not sum due to rounding. Solely for the convenience of the reader, we have translated certain Peso amounts into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate quoted by the Central Bank for June 30, 2009, which was Ps.3.797 = US\$ 1.00. We make no representation that the Peso or U.S. dollar amounts actually represent or could have been or could be converted into U.S. dollars at the rates indicated, at any particular rate or at all.

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References to fiscal years 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 are to the fiscal years ended June 30 of each such year.

MARKET DATA

Market data used throughout this annual report were derived from reports prepared by unaffiliated third-party sources. Such reports generally state that the information contained therein has been obtained from sources believed by such sources to be reliable. Certain market data which appear herein (including percentage amounts) may not sum due to rounding.

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This item is not applicable.

ITEM 2. Offer Statistics and Expected Timetable

This item is not applicable.

ITEM 3. Key Information**A. Selected Financial Data**

The following selected consolidated financial data has been derived from our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements as of the dates and for each of the periods indicated below. This information should be read in conjunction with and is qualified in its entirety by reference to our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements and the discussion in Operating and Financial Review and Prospects included elsewhere in this annual report. The selected consolidated statement of income data for the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007 and the selected consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2009 and 2008 have been derived from our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements which have been audited by Price Waterhouse & Co. S.R.L., Buenos Aires, Argentina, a member firm of PricewaterhouseCoopers, an independent registered public accounting firm.

The selected consolidated income statement data for the years June 30, 2006 and 2005 and the selected consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2007 and 2006 have been derived from our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements as of June 30, 2007 and 2006 and for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 2007 which are not included herein. Certain reclassifications have been made to these figures to conform to the presentation of our fiscal year ended June 30, 2009. The reclassifications had no impact on previously reported net income, net income per share, shareholders' equity or cash flows.

The selected consolidated balance sheet data as of June 30, 2005 have been derived from our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements as of June 30, 2006 and 2005 and for each of the three years in the period ended June 30, 2006, which are not included herein. Certain reclassifications have been made to these figures to conform to the presentation of our fiscal year ended June 30, 2009. The reclassifications had no impact on previously reported net income, net income per share, shareholders' equity or cash flows.

The management of Alto Palermo Sociedad Anónima s (APSA) subsidiary Tarshop S.A. (Tarshop) has reassessed the method for allocating its expenses between Costs , Selling expenses and Administrative expenses . This change was made taking into account the expansion of the company's commercial force driven by its commercial strategy, which has led to an increase in the loan portfolio and in the number of branches. Consequently, as a result of a study mainly based on the distribution of the number of employees assigned to each task, expenses have been allocated on the basis of that structure, which according to management projections and representations will be maintained in the future. Below is a detail of the captions affected at year end:

	As of June 30, 2008		As of June 30, 2007		As of June 30, 2006		As of June 30, 2005	
	As adjusted	As originally issued	As adjusted	As originally issued	As adjusted	As originally issued	As adjusted	As originally issued
Costs	(464,223)	(489,661)	(295,108)	(311,647)	(233,928)	(243,831)	(162,641)	(168,074)
Gross profit	620,019	594,581	443,648	427,109	343,752	333,849	207,248	201,815
Selling expenses	(247,297)	(163,986)	(168,848)	(113,709)	(92,491)	(60,105)	(55,037)	(36,826)
Administrative expenses	(122,121)	(179,994)	(102,827)	(141,427)	(74,399)	(96,882)	(57,892)	(70,670)

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	As of and for the year ended June 30,					
	(in thousands of US\$, except ratios, number of shares and Capital Stock) 2009 ⁽¹⁾	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
	(in thousands of Ps., except ratios, number of shares and Capital Stock ⁽²⁾)					
STATEMENT OF INCOME DATA						
<i>Argentine GAAP</i>						
Revenues:						
Development and sale of properties	73,838	280,362	196,811	75,751	103,966	32,311
Office and other non-shopping center rental properties	38,912	147,749	102,159	57,093	30,565	19,431
Shopping centers	104,486	396,733	345,395	270,266	215,003	165,529
Consumer financing	62,372	236,827	291,030	212,965	122,969	64,558
Hotel operations	41,852	158,913	148,847	122,681	103,763	87,120
Financial operations and others					1,414	940
Total revenues	321,460	1,220,584	1,084,242	738,756	577,680	369,889
Costs	(133,922)	(508,506)	(464,223)	(295,108)	(233,928)	(162,641)
Gross profit (loss):						
Development and sale of properties	34,776	132,044	45,917	17,928	49,766	14,769
Office and other non-shopping center rental properties	31,188	118,419	75,812	39,592	21,578	11,685
Shopping centers	75,707	287,458	246,220	179,154	137,621	95,748
Consumer financing	30,059	114,133	187,443	153,253	88,939	46,889
Hotel operations	15,808	60,024	64,627	53,721	45,792	38,196
Financial operations and others					56	(39)
Total gross profit	187,538	712,078	620,019	443,648	343,752	207,248
Gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value	3,175	12,056	2,832	20,737	9,063	17,317
Selling expenses	(62,207)	(236,201)	(247,297)	(168,848)	(92,491)	(55,037)
Administrative expenses	(38,801)	(147,329)	(122,121)	(102,827)	(74,399)	(57,892)
Net (loss) income from retained interest in securitized receivables	(12,118)	(46,012)	(1,261)	3,254	2,625	423
Gain from operations and holdings of real estate assets, net	295	1,124	2,670	2,568	12,616	27,938
Operating income (loss):						
Development and sale of properties	31,912	121,169	19,270	6,177	44,277	20,566

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	As of and for the year ended June 30,					
	(in thousands of US\$, except ratios, number of shares and Capital Stock)					
	2009 ⁽¹⁾	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Office and other non-shopping center rental properties	20,144	76,485	52,930	20,234	11,862	13,220
Shopping centers	56,598	214,903	182,261	124,832	105,583	81,638
Consumer financing	(33,034)	(125,431)	(17,659)	32,636	24,836	13,546
Hotel operations	2,262	8,590	18,040	14,653	14,552	11,066
Financial operations and others					56	(39)
Total operating income	77,882	295,716	254,842	198,532	201,166	139,997
Amortization of negative goodwill, net	422	1,602	1,638	(1,472)	(1,080)	(1,663)
Gain (loss) on equity investees	16,208	61,542	(13,209)	40,026	41,657	67,207
Financial results, net	(35,918)	(136,381)	(76,742)	4,099	(40,926)	(11,848)
Other expenses, net	(2,332)	(8,855)	(5,642)	(14,100)	(18,263)	(14,089)
Income before taxes and minority interest	56,262	213,624	160,887	227,085	182,554	179,604
Income tax and MPIT	(21,157)	(80,334)	(78,112)	(87,539)	(58,791)	(53,207)
Minority interest	6,675	25,345	(27,900)	(32,449)	(27,190)	(23,152)
Net income	41,780	158,635	54,875	107,097	96,573	103,245
Basic net income per share ⁽³⁾	0.07	0.27	0.10	0.24	0.25	0.37
Basic net income per GDS ⁽³⁾	0.72	2.74	1.00	2.41	2.54	3.68
Diluted net income per share ⁽⁴⁾	0.07	0.27	0.10	0.20	0.23	0.23
Diluted net income per GDS ⁽⁴⁾	0.72	2.74	1.00	2.03	2.28	2.31
Weighted - average number of shares outstanding	578,676	578,676	549,277	444,904	379,506	280,282
Adjusted weighted - average number of shares ⁽⁴⁾	578,676	578,676	549,277	558,594	522,636	501,380
Capital Stock	578,676	578,676	578,676	464,969	435,448	357,267
<i>U.S. GAAP</i>						
Revenues	383,128	1,454,738	1,227,797	867,452	621,012	426,499
Costs	(184,948)	(702,246)	(583,137)	(397,417)	(311,885)	(229,908)
Gross profit	198,180	752,492	644,660	470,035	309,127	196,591
Selling expenses	(57,286)	(217,516)	(224,348)	(160,137)	(98,664)	(54,466)
Administrative expenses	(41,059)	(155,902)	(124,092)	(104,113)	(76,474)	(64,673)
Net (loss) income from retained interest in securitized receivables	(11,061)	(41,999)	(13,928)	(115)	(12,274)	4,591
Operating income	88,774	337,075	279,223	205,669	121,716	82,043
(Loss) gain on equity investees	(13,967)	(53,033)	(7,253)	42,957	64,697	138,560
Financial results, net	(55,946)	(212,428)	(14,644)	(43,705)	(50,854)	(31,072)
Other expenses, net	(1,503)	(5,706)	(6,167)	(13,433)	(7,338)	(10,271)
Income before taxes and minority interest	17,358	65,908	246,911	191,488	128,221	179,259
Income tax and MPIT	(28,248)	(107,259)	(78,336)	(39,176)	(18,678)	(34,747)
Minority interest	12,641	47,998	(46,459)	(49,090)	(19,597)	(15,114)
Net income	1,751	6,647	122,116	103,222	89,946	129,398
Basic net income per share ⁽³⁾	0.00	0.01	0.22	0.23	0.24	0.46

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	As of and for the year ended June 30,					
	(in thousands of US\$, except ratios, number of shares and Capital Stock)	(in thousands of Ps., except ratios, number of shares and Capital Stock ⁽²⁾)				
		2009 ⁽¹⁾	2009	2008	2007	2006
Basic net income per GDS ⁽³⁾	0.03	0.11	2.22	2.32	2.37	4.62
Basic net income before extraordinary items and accounting changes per share ⁽³⁾	0.00	0.01	0.22	0.23	0.24	0.46
Diluted net income per share ⁽⁴⁾	0.00	0.01	0.22	0.20	0.23	0.31
Diluted net income per GDS ⁽⁴⁾	0.03	0.11	2.16	2.05	2.30	3.10
Diluted net income before extraordinary items and accounting changes per share ⁽⁴⁾	0.03	0.11	0.22	0.20	0.23	0.31
Weighted - average number of shares outstanding	578,676	578,676	549,277	444,904	379,506	280,282
Adjusted weighted - average number of shares ⁽⁴⁾	578,676	578,676	570,472	540,822	518,606	475,489

BALANCE SHEET DATA**Argentine GAAP**

Cash and banks and current investments	105,819	401,796	545,192	856,707	233,438	211,934
Inventories	49,996	189,832	182,780	256,203	162,110	99,811
Accounts receivable, net	71,134	270,097	196,412	215,175	148,462	73,466
Non-current investments ⁽⁵⁾	263,801	1,001,654	833,373	673,273	647,981	542,863
Fixed assets, net	716,488	2,720,506	2,530,141	2,027,311	1,413,212	1,445,551
Total current assets	234,888	891,869	893,842	1,175,790	481,788	389,735
Total Assets	1,299,970	4,935,987	4,471,972	4,144,899	2,740,121	2,524,426
Short-term debt ⁽⁶⁾	92,487	351,173	190,153	214,193	142,140	130,728
Total current liabilities	256,753	974,890	742,267	652,082	419,228	310,977
Long-term debt ⁽⁷⁾	275,145	1,044,725	1,121,264	1,222,423	295,282	422,412
Total non-current liabilities	368,990	1,401,054	1,348,812	1,395,693	385,138	515,381
Minority interest	122,302	464,381	456,715	450,410	449,989	445,839
Cumulative translation adjustment	3,384	12,849				
Shareholders equity	551,926	2,095,662	1,924,178	1,646,714	1,485,766	1,252,229

U.S. GAAP

Cash and banks and current investments	98,650	374,574	531,575	856,318	233,032	212,855
Inventories	8,165	31,002	38,905	160,961	61,720	46,702
Accounts receivable, net	69,036	262,128	195,269	208,377	146,225	72,797
Other receivables and prepaid expenses	108,916	413,554	249,153	238,546	130,995	113,175
Non-current investments ⁽⁵⁾	194,998	740,407	748,550	590,646	599,679	436,063
Fixed assets, net	650,264	2,469,051	2,331,695	1,827,263	1,276,181	1,311,386
Intangible assets, net	2,120	8,051	16,789	22,226	468	712
Total current assets	229,145	870,065	912,354	1,183,147	471,053	386,051
Total Assets	1,161,883	4,411,670	4,219,383	3,997,217	2,503,812	2,291,808
Trade accounts payable	86,618	328,890	314,948	293,522	136,362	68,372
Other liabilities	46,491	176,525	133,273	101,764	94,655	90,106
Short-term debt ⁽⁶⁾	92,080	349,627	190,153	216,829	120,172	111,994
Total current liabilities	265,209	996,787	749,505	669,983	431,422	314,939
Long-term debt ⁽⁷⁾	266,920	1,013,494	1,120,257	1,225,212	298,570	413,812
Total non-current liabilities	386,974	1,469,341	1,447,833	1,603,747	558,951	698,344
Minority interest	97,461	370,060	385,959	366,381	355,385	357,062
Shareholders equity	418,258	1,588,126	1,640,864	1,358,739	1,158,364	921,718

CASH FLOW DATA

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	As of and for the year ended June 30,					
	(in thousands of US\$, except ratios, number of shares and Capital Stock) 2009 ⁽¹⁾	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
	(in thousands of Ps., except ratios, number of shares and Capital Stock ⁽²⁾)					
Argentine GAAP						
Net cash provided by operating activities	78,824	299,293	319,933	163,099	194,685	93,490
Net cash used in investing activities.	(116,791)	(443,457)	(788,597)	(510,774)	(136,567)	(126,682)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(15,512)	(58,898)	149,145	892,258	(36,767)	52,868
U.S. GAAP⁽⁸⁾						
Net cash provided by operating activities	89,477	339,744	362,711	111,936	192,589	105,655
Net cash used in investing activities	(121,999)	(463,231)	(833,536)	(470,318)	(128,687)	(141,746)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(15,512)	(58,898)	149,145	900,907	(36,767)	52,868
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(5,446)	(20,677)	2,161	2,058	(5,784)	2,899
OTHER FINANCIAL DATA						
Argentine GAAP						
Capital expenditures ⁽⁹⁾	74,304	282,133	768,699	419,377	116,201	79,997
Depreciation and amortization ⁽¹⁰⁾	35,547	134,972	115,207	98,049	80,979	74,091
Ratio of current assets to current liabilities	0.915	0.915	1.204	1.803	1.149	1.253
Ratio of shareholders' equity to total liabilities	0.882	0.882	0.920	0.804	1.847	1.515
Ratio of non-current assets to total assets	0.819	0.819	0.800	0.716	0.824	0.846
Working capital ⁽¹¹⁾	(21,865)	(83,021)	151,575	523,708	62,560	78,758

- (1) Solely for the convenience of the reader, we have translated Peso amounts into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate quoted by *Banco de la Nación Argentina* for June 30, 2009 which was Ps.3.797 per US\$1.00. We make no representation that the Argentine Peso or U.S. dollar amounts actually represent, could have been or could be converted into dollars at the rates indicated, at any particular rate or at all. See Exchange Rates and Exchange Controls. Sums may not total due to rounding.
- (2) In thousands of Pesos of June 30, 2009. Sums may not total due to rounding.
- (3) We have calculated earnings per share data under Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the respective period. Each Global Depository Shares (GDS) represents ten common shares.
- (4) Under both Argentine and U.S. GAAP we have considered the diluted effects of our outstanding convertible notes and warrants. However, under U.S. GAAP, we have used the treasury-stock method in calculating the diluted effect of the outstanding warrants. In addition, the computation of diluted net income per share / GDS under U.S. GAAP for the year ended June 30, 2004 excludes potential common shares because the effect of their inclusion would be anti-dilutive, or would increase the reported net income per share / GDS. Each GDS represents ten common shares.
- (5) Includes our 21.34% (without considering treasury shares) investment in Banco Hipotecario and our investments in undeveloped parcels of land.
- (6) Includes short-term debt and current mortgages payable.
- (7) Includes long-term debt and non-current mortgages payable.
- (8) This table is intended to present cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities under Argentine GAAP but following the classification guidelines of SFAS No. 95 under U.S. GAAP. See Note 29 to our consolidated financial statements for details of the differences in classifications affecting the categories of cash flows.
- (9) Includes the purchase of fixed assets (including facilities and equipment), undeveloped parcels of land and renovation and remodeling of hotels and shopping centers. Also include escrow deposits held in favor of third parties related to the acquisition of certain fixed assets.
- (10) Corresponds to depreciation and amortization included in operating income.
- (11) Working capital is calculated by subtracting consolidated current liabilities from consolidated current assets.

Exchange Rates

In April 1991, Argentine law established a fixed exchange rate requiring the Central Bank to sell U.S. dollars to any individual at a fixed exchange rate of Ps.1.00 per US\$1.00. On January 7, 2002, the Argentine congress enacted the Public Emergency Law, abandoning over ten years of fixed Peso-U.S. dollar parity at Ps.1.00 to US\$1.00. After devaluing the Peso and setting the official exchange rate at Ps.1.40 per

US\$1.00, on February 11, 2002, the government allowed the Peso to float. The shortage of U.S. dollars and their heightened

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demand that resulted caused the Peso to depreciate significantly in the first half of 2002. As of December 15, 2009 the exchange rate was Ps. 3,7910=US\$1.00 as quoted by *Banco de la Nación Argentina* at the U.S. dollar selling rate. During the calendar year 2008 and the first semester of year 2009, the Central Bank has indirectly intervened in the exchange rate market, with the purpose of maintaining a stable parity notwithstanding international volatility.

The following table presents the high, low, average and period closing exchange rate for the purchase of U.S. dollars stated in *nominal* Pesos per U.S. dollar.

	Exchange Rate			Period Closing
	High ⁽¹⁾	Low ⁽²⁾	Average ⁽³⁾	
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2003	3.7400	2.7120	3.2565	2.8000
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2004	2.9510	2.7100	2.8649	2.9580
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2005	3.0400	2.8460	2.9230	2.8670
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2006	3.0880	2.8590	3.0006	3.0860
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2007	3.1080	3.0480	3.0862	3.0930
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2008	3.1840	3.0160	3.1396	3.0250
Fiscal year ended June 30, 2009	3.7780	2.9940	3.3862	3.7770
July 2009	3.8100	3.6360	3.7825	3.8100
August 2009	3.8310	3.8030	3.8194	3.8310
September 2009	3.8340	3.8080	3.8222	3.8230
October 2009	3.8240	3.7990	3.8062	3.7990
November 2009	3.7990	3.7790	3.7908	3.7910
December 2009 (As of December 15 2009)	3.7920	3.7790	3.7868	3.7910

Source: *Banco de la Nación Argentina*

- (1) The high exchange rate stated was the highest closing exchange rate of the month during the fiscal year, month or partial period described in the table above.
- (2) The low exchange rate stated was the lowest closing exchange rate of the month during the fiscal year month or partial period described in the table above.
- (3) Average exchange rate for the fiscal year, month or partial period described in the table above.

Fluctuations in the Peso-dollar exchange rate may affect the equivalent in dollars of the price in Pesos of our shares on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. Increases in the Argentine inflation rate or devaluation of the Peso could have a material adverse effect on our operating results.

B. Capitalization and Indebtedness

This item is not applicable.

C. Reasons for the Offer and Use of Proceeds

This item is not applicable.

D. Risk Factors

You should consider the following risks described below, in addition to the other information contained in this annual report. We may face additional risks and uncertainties that are not presently known to us, or that we currently deem immaterial, which may also impair our business. In general, you take more risk when you invest in the securities of issuers in emerging markets such as Argentina than when you invest in the securities of issuers in the United States. You should understand that an investment in our common shares, ADSs and warrants involves a high degree of risk, including the possibility of loss of your entire investment.

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Risks Related to Argentina

Argentina's recent growth may not be sustainable.

The Argentine economy has experienced significant volatility in recent decades, characterized by periods of low or negative growth, high inflation and currency devaluation. During 2001 and 2002, Argentina experienced a period of severe political, economic and social crisis, which caused a significant economic contraction and led to radical changes in government policies. Although the economy has recovered significantly since then, uncertainty remains as to whether the recent growth is sustainable, since it has depended, to a significant extent, on favorable exchange rates, high commodity prices and excess capacity. The recovery, however, has resulted in inflation and has intensified the country's need for capital investment, with many sectors, in particular the energy sector, operating near full capacity. Additionally, the global financial crisis and economic downturn has had a significant adverse impact on the country's performance and could remain a factor in the foreseeable future. Commodities prices, particularly those related to Argentine exports such as soybean have declined significantly recently. Moreover, the country's relative stability since 2002 has been affected recently, by increased political tension and government intervention in the economy.

Our business depends to a significant extent on macroeconomic and political conditions in Argentina. We cannot assure you that Argentina's recent growth will continue. Deterioration in the country's economy situation would likely have a significant adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Continuing inflation may have an adverse effect on the economy.

The devaluation of the Peso in January 2002 created pressures on the domestic price system that generated high inflation throughout 2002, before inflation substantially stabilizing in 2003. However, inflationary pressures have since reemerged with consumer prices increasing by 12.3% in calendar year 2005. In calendar year 2006, 2007 and 2008, inflation was 9.8%, 8.5% and 7.2%, respectively, in part due to actions implemented by the Argentine government to control inflation, which included limitations on exports and price arrangements agreed to with private sector companies. However, in spite of this decline in inflation, uncertainty surrounding future inflation may impact the country's growth. According to the Argentine Statistics and Census Agency, or INDEC, consumer prices increased by 5.8% during the first ten months of 2009.

In the past, inflation has undermined the Argentine economy and the government's ability to create conditions conducive to growth. A return to a high inflation environment would impact in the long term credit market and real estate market and may also affect Argentina's foreign competitiveness by diluting the effects of the Peso devaluation and negatively impacting the level of economic activity and employment.

If inflation remains high or continues to rise, Argentina's economy may be negatively impacted and our business could be adversely affected.

There are concerns about the accuracy of Argentina's official inflation statistics.

In January 2007, INDEC modified its methodology used to calculate the consumer price index, which is calculated as the monthly average of a weighted basket of consumer goods and services that reflects the pattern of consumption of Argentine households. Several economists as well as the international and Argentine press have suggested that this change in methodology was related to the Argentine government's policy aimed at curbing inflation. At the time that INDEC adopted this change in methodology; the Argentine government also replaced several key personnel at INDEC, prompting complaints of governmental interference from the technical staff at INDEC. In addition, the International Monetary Fund, or IMF, has requested that the government clarify its inflation rates. In June 2008, INDEC published a new consumer price index that eliminated nearly half of the items included in previous surveys and introduces adjustable weightings for fruit, vegetables and clothing, which have seasonal cost variations. INDEC has indicated that it based its evaluation of spending habits on a study of a national household consumption survey from 2004 to 2005 in addition to other sources; however, the new index has been criticized by economists and investors after its debut report found prices rising well below expectations. These events have affected the credibility of the consumer price index published by INDEC, as well as other

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indexes published by INDEC which require the consumer price index for their own calculation, including the poverty index, the unemployment index and real gross domestic product. Argentina's inflation rate may be significantly higher than the rates indicated by official reports. In addition, if it is determined that it is necessary to correct the consumer price index and the other INDEC indexes derived from the consumer price index, there could be a significant decrease in confidence in the Argentine economy, which could, in turn, have a materially adverse effect on our ability to access international credit markets at market rates to finance our operations.

Argentina's ability to obtain financing from international markets is limited which may affect its ability to implement reforms and foster economic growth.

In the first half of 2005, Argentina restructured part of its sovereign debt that had been in default since the end of 2001. The Argentine government announced that as a result of the restructuring, it had approximately US\$126.6 billion in total outstanding debt remaining. Of this amount, approximately US\$19.5 billion are defaulted bonds owned by creditors who did not participate in the restructuring of the external financial debt. As of June 30, 2009, the total outstanding debt was approximately US\$ 140.6 billion.

Some bondholders in the United States, Italy and Germany have filed legal actions against Argentina, and holdout creditors may initiate new suits in the future. Additionally, foreign shareholders of certain Argentine companies have filed claims in excess of US\$17 billion before the International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes, or ICSID, alleging that certain government measures are inconsistent with the fair and equitable treatment standards set forth in various bilateral treaties to which Argentina is a party. As of the date of this annual report, the ICSID has rendered decisions in eight cases, requiring the Argentine government to pay approximately US\$ 1.0 billion plus interest in claims. In addition, the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law rendered an award against the Argentine government and ordered it to pay US\$ 240 million plus interest and court costs. A group of bondholders that had not taken part in the restructuring of the Argentine sovereign debt sought international arbitration before the ICSID for the sum of US\$ 4.4 billion.

Argentina has recently reinitiated discussions with holdout creditors and certain multilateral institutions. However, Argentina's past default and its failure to restructure completely its remaining sovereign debt and fully negotiate with the holdout creditors may prevent Argentina from reentering the international capital markets. Litigation initiated by holdout creditors as well as ICSID claims may result in material judgments against the Argentine government and could result in attachments of, or injunctions relating to, assets of Argentina that the government intended for other uses. As a result, the government may not have the financial resources necessary to implement reforms and foster growth which could have a material adverse effect on the country's economy and, consequently, our business. In addition, the difficulties Argentina faces to access financing in the international markets could have an adverse effect on our capacity to obtain financing in the international markets in order to finance our operations and growth.

Significant devaluation of the Peso against the U.S. dollar may adversely affect the Argentine economy as well as our financial performance.

Despite the positive effects of the real depreciation of the Peso in 2002 on the competitiveness of certain sectors of the Argentine economy, it has also had a far-reaching negative impact on the Argentine economy and on businesses and individuals' financial condition. The devaluation of the Peso has had a negative impact on the ability of Argentine businesses to honor their foreign currency-denominated debt, initially led to very high inflation, significantly reduced real wages, had a negative impact on businesses whose success is dependent on domestic market demand, such as utilities and the financial industry, and adversely affected the government's ability to honor its foreign debt obligations.

If the Peso devalues significantly, all of the negative effects on the Argentine economy related to such devaluation could recur, with adverse consequences to our business. Moreover, it would likely result in a decline in the value of our common shares and the ADSs as measured in U.S. dollars.

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Significant appreciation of the Peso against the U.S. dollar may adversely affect the Argentine economy.

A substantial increase in the value of the Peso against the U.S. dollar also presents risks for the Argentine economy. The appreciation of the Peso against the U.S. dollar negatively impacts the financial condition of entities whose foreign currency-denominated assets exceed their foreign currency-denominated liabilities, such as us. In addition, in the short term, a significant real appreciation of the Peso would adversely affect exports. This could have a negative effect on GDP growth and employment as well as reduce the Argentine public sector's revenues by reducing tax collection in real terms, given its current heavy reliance on taxes on exports. The appreciation of the Peso against the U.S. dollar could have an adverse effect on the Argentine economy and our business.

Government measures to preempt or respond to social unrest may adversely affect the Argentine economy and our business.

The Argentine government has historically exercised significant influence over the country's economy. Additionally, the country's legal and regulatory frameworks have at times suffered radical changes, due to political influence and significant uncertainties.

Moreover, during its crisis in 2001 and 2002, Argentina experienced significant social and political turmoil, including civil unrest, riots, looting, nationwide protests, strikes and street demonstrations. Despite Argentina's economic recovery and relative stabilization, social and political tension and high levels of poverty and unemployment continue. In 2008, Argentina faced nationwide strikes and protests from farmers due to increased export taxes on agricultural products, which disrupted economic activity and have heightened political tension. Future government policies to preempt, or in response to, social unrest may include expropriation, nationalization, forced renegotiation or modification of existing contracts, suspension of the enforcement of creditors' rights, new taxation policies, including royalty and tax increases and retroactive tax claims, and changes in laws and policies affecting foreign trade and investment. Such policies could destabilize the country and adversely and materially affect the economy, and thereby our business.

The nationalization of Argentina's pension funds has adversely affected local capital markets and may continue to do so.

Under Law No. 26,425, which was published in the Official Gazette in December 2008, the Argentine government transferred the approximately Ps. 94.4 billion (US\$29.3 billion) in assets held by the country's private *Administradoras de Fondos de Jubilaciones y Pensiones* (pension fund management companies, or AFJPs) to the government-run social security agency (ANSES).

Law No. 26,425 was supplemented, among others, by Decree No. 2103/2008 which describes the composition of the fund to be managed by the Argentine Government and the directions for the management thereof; in turn, Decree No. 2104/08 regulates the matters concerning the transfer to the Argentine Government of the contributions and all the documentation of the members of the capitalization regime retroactive as of December 1, 2008.

AFJPs were the largest participants in the country's local capital market, leading the group of institutional investors. With the nationalization of their assets, the local capital market decreased in size and became substantially concentrated. In addition, the government became a significant shareholder in many of the country's private companies, which will bring about consequences to Argentina's capital markets and companies that are difficult to be measured as of the date of this annual report.

As a result, access to liquidity may be further limited, funding costs may rise and the government may have greater influence over the operations of private companies. The nationalization of the AFJPs has adversely affected investor confidence in Argentina. In addition, we cannot assure you that the government will not take similar measures in the future that interfere with private sector businesses and adversely affect the economy in general, and/or our business in particular.

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Exchange controls and restrictions on transfers abroad and capital inflow restrictions have limited, and can be expected to continue to limit, the availability of international credit.

In 2001 and 2002, Argentina imposed exchange controls and transfer restrictions substantially limiting the ability of companies to retain foreign currency or make payments abroad. Many of these restrictions were substantially eased after the crisis. However, in June 2005, the government issued decree No. 616/2005, that established additional controls on capital inflows, including the requirement that, subject to limit exemptions, 30% of funds remitted to Argentina remain deposited in a domestic financial institution for one year without earning any interest. This measure increases the cost of obtaining foreign funds and limits access to these funds.

The Argentine government may impose additional controls on the foreign exchange market and on capital flows from and into Argentina, in the future, for example in response to capital flight or depreciation of the peso. These restrictions may have a negative effect on the economy and our business if imposed in an economic environment where access to local capital is substantially constrained.

In December, 2008 Law No. 26,476 introduced certain changes in the Argentine labor and tax regime. As part of these changes, a broad tax moratorium was declared and natural and legal persons falling under its scope were given the option to disclose their holdings in national and foreign currency and other assets, both in Argentina and abroad, for purposes of their entry to the country, subject to the payment of a tax as established in the law. Those falling under the scope of this law were not obliged to disclose to the Argentine Tax Authority (AFIP) the date of purchase of their holdings or the source of the funds with which they purchased them, and were released from any civil, commercial or criminal tax actions relating to those holdings. The period to disclose the holdings was effective from March 1, 2009 until August 31, 2009. Although the International Financial Action Group (GAFI) has not rendered an opinion in this regard, these actions could encourage the entry of money of doubtful origin, breaching the international regulations and commitments assumed by Argentina, which would in turn generate even more distrust in the local financial system.

Finally, under Resolution No. 82/2009 the Ministry of Economy and Public Finance suspended during the term of the mentioned tax moratorium and until September 2009, the statutory deposit required for bringing capital into Argentina, when it was destined for any of the uses described in Section 27 (b), (c) and (d) of Law No. 26,476. Therefore, no deposit would be required when bringing capital into Argentina, pursuant to the terms of the tax moratorium, for the following purposes: (i) assets based in the country and holdings of local and foreign currency in Argentina; (ii) foreign currency held abroad and/or foreign deposits, and local currency and/or foreign currency held in Argentina, allocated to the subscription of government securities issued by the Argentine government; (iii) foreign currency held abroad and/or foreign deposits, and local currency and/or foreign currency held in Argentina by individuals, allocated to the purchase in Argentina of newly built properties or properties that have obtained the relevant work completion certificate; and (iv) foreign currency held abroad and/or foreign deposits, and local currency and/or foreign currency held in Argentina, allocated to the building of new properties, completion of works in progress, funding of infrastructure works, real estate, agricultural, industrial, tourism and services investments in Argentina.

Payment of dividends to non-residents has been limited in the past and may be limited again.

Beginning in February 2002, the payment of dividends, irrespective of amount, outside Argentina required prior authorization from the Central Bank. On January 7, 2003, the Central Bank issued communication A 3859, which is still in force and pursuant to which there are no limitations on companies' ability to purchase foreign currency and transfer it outside Argentina to pay dividends, provided that those dividends arise from approved and audited financial statements. However similar restrictions may be enacted by the Argentine government or the Central Bank again and, if this were to occur, it could have an adverse effect on the value of our common shares and the ADSs. Moreover, in such event, restrictions on the transfers of funds abroad may impede your ability to receive dividend payments as a holder of ADSs.

The stability of the Argentine banking system is uncertain.

During 2001 and the first half of 2002, a significant amount of deposits were withdrawn from Argentine financial institutions. This massive withdrawal of deposits was largely due to the loss of confidence of depositors in the Argentine government's ability to repay its debts, including its debts within the financial system, and to maintain peso-dollar parity in the context of its solvency crisis.

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To prevent a run on the U.S. dollar reserves of local banks, the government restricted the amount of money that account holders could withdraw from banks and introduced exchange controls restricting capital outflows.

While the condition of the financial system has improved, adverse economic developments, even if not related to or attributable to the financial system, could result in deposits flowing out of the banks and into the foreign exchange market, as depositors seek to shield their financial assets from a new crisis. Any run on deposits could create liquidity or even solvency problems for financial institutions, resulting in a contraction of available credit.

In the event of a future shock, such as the failure of one or more banks or a crisis in depositor confidence, the Argentine government could impose further exchange controls or transfer restrictions and take other measures that could lead to renewed political and social tensions and undermine the Argentine government's public finances, which could adversely affect Argentina's economy and prospects for economic growth.

The Argentine economy could be adversely affected by economic developments in other global markets, in particular if the global financial and economic recovery is interrupted.

Financial and securities markets in Argentina are influenced, to varying degrees, by economic and market conditions in other global markets. Although economic conditions vary from country to country, investors' perception of the events occurring in one country may substantially affect capital flows into other countries, including Argentina and the availability of funds for issuers in such countries. Lower capital inflows and declining securities prices negatively affect the real economy of a country through higher interest rates or currency volatility. The Argentine economy was adversely impacted by the political and economic events that occurred in several emerging economies in the 1990s, including Mexico in 1994, the collapse of several Asian economies between 1997 and 1998, the economic crisis in Russia in 1998 and the Brazilian devaluation in January 1999.

In addition, Argentina is also affected by the economic conditions of major trade partners, such as Brazil, or countries such as the United States, that are significant trade partners and/or have influence over world economic cycles. If interest rates rise significantly in developed economies, including the United States, Argentina and other emerging market economies could find it more difficult and expensive to borrow capital and refinance existing debt, which would negatively affect their economic growth. In addition, if these countries, which are also Argentina's trade partners, fall into a recession the Argentine economy would be impacted by decrease in exports. All of these factors would have a negative impact on us, our business, operations, financial condition and prospects.

In 2008, the global financial system experienced unprecedented volatility and disruption. As a result, the financial turmoil led to a significant tightening of credit, low levels of liquidity, extreme volatility in fixed income, credit, currency and equity markets and capital outflows away from emerging markets, including Argentina. This financial crisis has also produced an adverse impact on global economic conditions. Countries around the world experienced a significant deterioration in economic conditions, including the United States. However in recent months, worldwide markets have experienced some signs of recovery. Should this recovery be interrupted, this may have a negative impact on the Argentine economy, and could adversely affect the conditions in the country in the future.

If the decline in international prices for Argentina's main commodity exports continues it could have an adverse effect on Argentina's economic growth and on our business.

Argentina's economy has historically relied on the export of commodities, the prices of which have been volatile in the past and largely outside its control. Argentina's recovery from the crisis at 2001 and 2002 has depended to a significant extent on the rise in commodity prices, particularly prices of its main commodity exports, such as soybean. High commodity prices have contributed significantly to government revenues from taxes on exports. In recent months, the prices of the commodities that Argentina exports have declined significantly. If commodity prices continue to decline, the growth of the Argentine economy could be affected. Such occurrence would have a negative impact on the levels of government revenues, the government's ability to service its debt and on our business.

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Restrictions on the supply of energy could negatively affect Argentina's economy.

As a result of several years of recession, and the forced conversion into Pesos and subsequent freeze of gas and electricity tariffs, there has been a lack of investment in gas and electricity supply and transport capacity in Argentina in recent years. At the same time, demand for natural gas and electricity has increased substantially, driven by a recovery in economic conditions and price constraints.

The federal government has been taking a number of measures to alleviate the short-term impact of energy shortages on residential and industrial users. If these measures prove to be insufficient, or if the investment that is required to increase natural gas production and transportation capacity and energy generation and transportation capacity over the medium-and long-term fails to materialize on a timely basis, economic activity in Argentina could be curtailed.

Risks Relating to our Business

Our performance is subject to risks associated with our properties and with the real estate industry.

Our economic performance and the value of our real estate assets, and consequently the value of the securities issued by us, are subject to the risk that if our properties do not generate sufficient revenues to meet our operating expenses, including debt service and capital expenditures, our cash flow and ability to pay distributions to our shareholders will be adversely affected. Events or conditions beyond our control that may adversely affect our operations or the value of our properties include:

downturns in the national, regional and local economic climate;

volatility and decline in discretionary spending;

competition from other office, industrial and commercial buildings;

local real estate market conditions, such as oversupply or reduction in demand for office, or other commercial or industrial space;

changes in interest rates and availability of financing;

the exercise by our tenants of their legal right to early termination of their leases;

vacancies, changes in market rental rates and the need to periodically repair, renovate and re-lease space;

increased operating costs, including insurance expense, utilities, real estate taxes, state and local taxes and heightened security costs;

civil disturbances, earthquakes and other natural disasters, or terrorist acts or acts of war which may result in uninsured or underinsured losses;

significant expenditures associated with each investment, such as debt service payments, real estate taxes, insurance and maintenance costs which are generally not reduced when circumstances cause a reduction in revenues from a property;

declines in the financial condition of our tenants and our ability to collect rents from our tenants;

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changes in our ability or our tenants' ability to provide for adequate maintenance and insurance, possibly decreasing the useful life of and revenue from property; and

law reforms and governmental regulations (such as those governing usage, zoning and real property taxes).

If any one or more of the foregoing conditions were to affect our business, it could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Our investment in property development or redevelopment may be less profitable than we anticipate.

We are engaged in the development and construction of office space, retail and residential properties, frequently through third-party contractors. Risks associated with our development, re-development and construction activities include the following, among others:

abandonment of development opportunities and renovation proposals;

construction costs of a project may exceed our original estimates for reasons including raises in interest rates or increases in the costs of materials and labor, making a project unprofitable;

occupancy rates and rents at newly completed properties may fluctuate depending on a number of factors, including market and economic conditions, resulting in lower than projected rental rates and a corresponding lower return on our investment;

pre-construction buyers may default on their purchase contracts or units in new buildings may remain unsold upon completion of construction;

the unavailability of favorable financing alternatives in the private and public debt markets;

sale prices for residential units may be insufficient to cover development costs;

construction and lease-up may not be completed on schedule, resulting in increased debt service expense and construction costs; and

we may be unable to obtain, or may face delays in obtaining, necessary zoning, land-use, building, occupancy and other required governmental permits and authorizations, or we may be affected by building moratoria and anti-growth legislation.

The real estate industry in Argentina is increasingly competitive.

Our real estate and construction activities are highly concentrated in the Buenos Aires metropolitan area, where the real estate market is highly competitive due to a scarcity of properties in sought-after locations and the increasing number of local and international competitors.

Furthermore, the Argentine real estate industry is generally highly competitive and fragmented and does not have high-entry barriers restricting new competitors from entering the market. The main competitive factors in the real estate development business include availability and location of land, price, funding, design, quality, reputation and partnerships with developers. A number of residential and commercial developers and real estate services companies compete with us in seeking land for acquisition, financial resources for development and prospective purchasers and tenants. Other companies, including joint ventures of foreign and local companies, have become increasingly active in the real estate business in Argentina, further increasing this competition. To the extent that one or more of our competitors are able to acquire and develop desirable properties, as a result of greater financial resources or otherwise, our business could be materially and adversely affected. If we are not able to

respond to such pressures as promptly as our competitors, or the level of competition increases, our financial condition and results of our operations could be adversely affected.

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In addition, many of our shopping centers are located in close proximity to other shopping centers, numerous retail stores and residential properties. The number of comparable properties located in the vicinity of our property could have a material adverse effect on our ability to lease retail space in our shopping centers or sell units in our residential complexes and on the rent price or the sale price that we are able to charge. We can not assure you that other shopping center operators, including international shopping center operators, will not invest in Argentina in the near future. As additional companies become active in the Argentine shopping center market, such increased competition could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

We face risks associated with property acquisitions.

We have in the past acquired, and intend to acquire in the future, properties, including large properties (such as the acquisition of Edificio República, Abasto de Buenos Aires, or Alto Palermo Shopping) that would increase our size and potentially alter our capital structure. Although we believe that our acquisitions, have, and will, enhance our future financial performance, the success of such transactions is subject to a number of uncertainties, including the risk that:

we may not be able to obtain financing for acquisitions on favorable terms;

acquired properties may fail to perform as expected;

the actual costs of repositioning or redeveloping acquired properties may be higher than our estimate;

acquired properties may be located in new markets where we may have limited knowledge and understanding of the local economy, absence of business relationships in the area or unfamiliarity with local governmental and permitting procedures; and

we may not be able to efficiently integrate acquired properties, particularly portfolios of properties, into our organization and to manage new properties in a way that allows us to realize cost savings and synergies.

Some of the land we have purchased is not zoned for development purposes, and we may be unable to obtain, or may face delays in obtaining the necessary zoning permits and other authorizations.

We own several plots of land which are not zoned for the type of developments we intend to propose. In addition, we do not yet have the required land-use, building, occupancy and other required governmental permits and authorizations. We cannot assure you that we will continue to be successful in our attempts to rezone land and to obtain all necessary permits and authorizations, or that rezoning efforts and permit requests will not be unreasonably delayed. Moreover, we may be affected by building moratorium and anti-growth legislation. If we are unable to obtain all of the governmental permits and authorizations we need to develop our present and future projects as planned, we may be forced to make unwanted modifications to such projects or abandon them altogether.

Acquired properties may subject us to unknown liabilities.

Properties that we acquire may be subject to unknown liabilities for which we would have no recourse, or only limited recourse, to the former owners of such properties. As a result, if a liability were asserted against us based upon ownership of an acquired property, we might be required to pay significant sums to settle it, which could adversely affect our financial results and cash flow. Unknown liabilities relating to acquired properties could include:

liabilities for clean-up of undisclosed environmental contamination;

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law reforms and governmental regulations (such as those governing usage, zoning and real property taxes); and

liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business.

Some potential losses are not covered by insurance, and certain kinds of insurance coverage may become prohibitively expensive.

We currently carry insurance policies that cover potential risks such as civil liability, fire, loss of profit, floods, including extended coverage and losses from leases on all of our properties. Although we believe the policy specifications and insured limits of these policies are generally customary, there are certain types of losses, such as lease and other contract claims, terrorism and acts of war that generally are not insured. Should an uninsured loss or a loss in excess of insured limits occur, we could lose all or a portion of the capital we have invested in a property, as well as the anticipated future revenue from the property. In such an event, we might nevertheless remain obligated for any mortgage debt or other financial obligations related to the property. We cannot assure you that material losses in excess of insurance proceeds will not occur in the future. If any of our properties were to experience a catastrophic loss, it could seriously disrupt our operations, delay revenue and result in large expenses to repair or rebuild the property. Moreover, we do not purchase life or disability insurance for any of our key employees. If any of our key employees were to die or become incapacitated, we would experience losses caused by a disruption in our operations which will not be covered by insurance, and this could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, we cannot assure you that we will be able to renew our insurance coverage in an adequate amount or at reasonable prices. Insurance companies may no longer offer coverage against certain types of losses, such as losses due to terrorist acts and mold, or, if offered, these types of insurance may be prohibitively expensive.

Demand for our premium properties which target the high-income demographic may be insufficient.

We have focused on development projects intended to cater to affluent individuals and have entered into property swap agreements pursuant to which we contribute our undeveloped properties to ventures with developers who will deliver to us units in premium locations. At the time the developers return these properties to us, demand for premium residential units could be significantly lower. In such case, we would be unable to sell these residential units at the prices or in the time frame we estimated, which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

It may be difficult to buy and sell real estate quickly and transfer restrictions apply to some of our properties.

Real estate investments are relatively illiquid and this tends to limit our ability to vary our portfolio promptly in response to changes in economic or other conditions. In addition, significant expenditures associated with each equity investment, such as mortgage payments, real estate taxes and maintenance costs, are generally not reduced when circumstances cause a reduction in income from the investment. If income from a property declines while the related expenses do not decline, our business would be adversely affected. Some of our properties are mortgaged to secure our indebtedness, and if we are unable to meet our mortgage payments, we could lose money as a result of foreclosure on such mortgages. In addition, if it becomes necessary or desirable for us to dispose of one or more of the mortgaged properties, it might not be able to obtain a release of the lien on the mortgaged property without payment of the associated debt. The foreclosure of a mortgage on a property or inability to sell a property could adversely affect our business. In transactions of this kind, we may also agree, subject to certain exceptions, not to sell the acquired properties for significant periods of time.

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An adverse economic environment for real estate companies and credit crisis may adversely impact our results of operations and business prospects significantly.

The success of our business and profitability of our operations are dependent on continued investment in the real estate markets and access to capital and debt financing. A long term crisis of confidence in real estate investments and lack of available credit for acquisitions would be likely to constrain our business growth. As part of our business goals, we intend to increase our properties portfolio with strategic acquisitions of core properties at advantageous prices, and core plus and value added properties where we believe we can bring necessary expertise to enhance property values. In order to pursue acquisitions, we need access to equity capital and also debt financing. Current disruptions in the financial markets, including the bankruptcy and restructuring of major financial institutions, may adversely impact our ability to refinance existing debt and the availability and cost of credit in the near future. Any consideration of sales of existing properties or portfolio interests may be tempered by decreasing property values. Our ability to make scheduled payments or to refinance our obligations with respect to indebtedness depends on our operating and financial performance, which in turn is subject to prevailing economic conditions. If a recurrence of the disruptions in financial markets presents itself in the future, there can be no assurances that government responses to the disruptions in the financial markets will restore investor confidence, stabilize the markets or increase liquidity and the availability of credit.

Our level of debt may adversely affect our operations and our ability to pay our debt as it becomes due.

We had, and expect to continue to have, substantial liquidity and capital resource requirements to finance our business. As of June 30, 2009, our consolidated financial debt amounted to Ps. 1,395.8 million (including accrued and unpaid interests, deferred financing costs and mortgages payable).

Although we are generating sufficient funds from operating cash flows to satisfy our debt service requirements and our capacity to obtain new financing is adequate given the current availability of the credit lines with the Banks . We cannot assure you that we will maintain such cash flow and adequate financial capacity in the future.

The fact that we are leveraged may affect our ability to refinance existing debt or borrow additional funds to finance working capital, acquisitions and capital expenditures. In addition, the recurrent disruptions in the global financial markets, including the bankruptcy and restructuring of major financial institutions, may adversely impact our ability to refinance existing debt and the availability and cost of credit in the future. In such conditions, access to capital and debt financing options may be restricted and it may be uncertain how long these economic circumstances may last.

This would require us to allocate a substantial portion of cash flow to repay principal and interest, thereby reducing the amount of money available to invest in operations, including acquisitions and capital expenditures. Our leverage could also affect our competitiveness and limit our ability to react to market conditions, the real estate industry and economic downturns.

We may not be able to generate sufficient cash flows from operations to satisfy our debt service requirements or to obtain future financing. If we cannot satisfy our debt service requirements or if we default on any financial or other covenants in our debt arrangements, the holders of our debt will be able to accelerate the maturity of such debt or cause defaults under the other debt arrangements. Our ability to service debt obligations or to refinance them will depend upon our future financial and operating performance, which will, in part, be subject to factors beyond our control such as macroeconomic conditions (including the recent international credit crisis) and regulatory changes in Argentina. If we cannot obtain future financing, we may have to delay or abandon some or all of our planned capital expenditures, which could adversely affect our ability to generate cash flows and repay our obligations.

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We may be negatively affected by a financial crisis in the U.S. and global capital markets.

We must maintain liquidity to fund our working capital, service our outstanding indebtedness and finance investment opportunities. Without sufficient liquidity, we could be forced to curtail our operations or we may not be able to pursue new business opportunities.

The capital and credit markets have been experiencing extreme volatility and disruption during the last credit crisis. If our current resources do not satisfy our liquidity requirements, we may have to seek additional financing. The availability of financing will depend on a variety of factors, such as economic and market conditions, the availability of credit and our credit ratings, as well as the possibility that lenders could develop a negative perception of the prospects of our company or the industry generally. We may not be able to successfully obtain any necessary additional financing on favorable terms, or at all.

The recurrence of a credit crisis could have a negative impact on our major customers which in turn could materially adversely affect our results of operations and liquidity.

The recent credit crisis had a significant negative impact on businesses around the world. Although we believe that our available borrowing capacity, under the current conditions, and the proceeds from potential sales of properties will provide us with sufficient liquidity the impact of a crisis on our major tenants cannot be predicted and may be quite severe. A disruption in the ability of our significant tenants to access liquidity could cause serious disruptions or an overall deterioration of their businesses which could lead to a significant reduction in their future orders of their products and the inability or failure on their part to meet their payment obligations to us, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and liquidity.

We are subject to risks inherent to the operation of shopping centers that may affect our profitability.

Shopping centers are subject to various factors that affect their development, administration and profitability. These factors include:

the accessibility and the attractiveness of the area where the shopping center is located;

the intrinsic attractiveness of the shopping center;

the flow of people and the level of sales of each shopping center rental unit;

increasing competition from internet sales;

the amount of rent collected from each shopping center rental unit; and

the fluctuations in occupancy levels in the shopping centers.

An increase in operating costs, caused by inflation or other factors, could have a material adverse effect on us if our tenants are unable to pay higher rent due to the increase in expenses. Moreover, the shopping center business is closely related to consumer spending and to the economy in which customers are located. All of our shopping centers are in Argentina, and, as a consequence, their business could be seriously affected by potential recession in Argentina. For example, during the economic crisis in Argentina, spending decreased significantly, unemployment, political instability and inflation significantly reduced consumer spending in Argentina, lowering tenants' sales and forcing some tenants to leave our shopping centers. If the international financial crisis has a substantial impact on economic activity in Argentina, it will likely have a material adverse effect on the revenues from the shopping center activity.

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The loss of significant tenants could adversely affect both the operating revenues and value of our shopping center and other rental properties.

If certain of our most important tenants were to experience financial difficulties, including bankruptcy, insolvency or a general downturn of business, or if we simply failed to retain their patronage, our business could be adversely affected. Our shopping centers and, to a lesser extent, our office buildings are typically anchored by significant tenants, such as well known department stores who generate shopping traffic at the mall. A decision by such significant tenants to cease operations at our shopping centers or office buildings could have a material adverse effect on the revenues and profitability of the affected segment and, by extension, on our financial condition and results of operations. The closing of one or more significant tenants may induce other major tenants at an affected property to terminate their leases, to seek rent relief and/or cease operating their stores or otherwise adversely affect occupancy at the property. In addition, key tenants at one or more properties might terminate their leases as a result of mergers, acquisitions, consolidations, dispositions or bankruptcies in the retail industry. The bankruptcy and/or closure of one or more significant tenants, if we are not able to successfully re-lease the affected space, could have a material adverse effect on both the operating revenues and underlying value of the properties involved.

Our ability to grow will be limited if we cannot obtain additional capital.

Our growth strategy is focused on the redevelopment of properties we already own and the acquisition and development of additional properties. As a result, we are likely to depend to an important degree on the availability of debt or equity capital, which may or may not be available on favorable terms or at all. We cannot guarantee that additional financing, refinancing or other capital will be available in the amounts we desire or on favorable terms. Our access to debt or equity capital markets depends on a number of factors, including the market's perception of our growth potential, our ability to pay dividends, our financial condition, our credit rating and our current and potential future earnings. Depending on the outcome of these factors, we could experience delay or difficulty in implementing our growth strategy on satisfactory terms, or be unable to implement this strategy.

Our development, redevelopment and construction activities are inherently risky and may render projects unprofitable for us.

In the development, renovation and construction of shopping centers and residential apartment complexes, we generally hire third-party contractors. Risks associated with our development, renovation and construction activities include:

significant time lag between commencement and completion subjects us to greater risks due to fluctuation in the general economy;

abandonment of development opportunities and renovation proposals;

construction costs of a project may exceed original estimates, making a project unprofitable;

occupancy rates and rents of a newly completed project may not be sufficient to make the project profitable;

sale prices for residential units may be insufficient to cover development costs;

we may be unable to obtain financing on favorable terms for the development of a project;

pre-construction buyers may default on their purchase contracts, or units in new buildings may remain unsold upon completion of construction;

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construction and lease-up may not be completed on schedule because of a number of factors, including weather, labor disruptions, construction delays or delays in receipt of zoning or other regulatory approvals, or man-made or natural disasters (such as fires, hurricanes, earthquakes or floods), resulting in increased debt service expense and construction costs;

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we may be unable to obtain or may face delays in obtaining all necessary zoning, land use, building, occupancy and other required governmental permits and authorizations; and

we may incur in capital expenditures that could result in considerable time consuming efforts and which may never be completed due to government restrictions; contractors' claims for the enforcement of labor laws in Argentina (sections 30, 31, 32 under Law No. 20,744), which provide for joint and several liability. Many companies in Argentina hire personnel from third-party companies that provide outsourced services. Due to such need they signed indemnity agreements in the event of labor claims from employees of such third company that may affect the liability of such hiring company. However, in the last years there have been several courts which denied the existence of independence in those labor relationships and ruled in favor of a plaintiff (employee) by means of declaring the existence of joint and several liabilities between both companies.

While our policies with respect to expansion, renovation and development activities are intended to limit some of the risks otherwise associated with such activities, we are nevertheless subject to risks associated with the construction of properties, such as cost overruns, design changes and timing delays arising from a lack of availability of materials and labor, weather conditions and other factors outside of our control, as well as financing costs, may exceed original estimates, possibly making the associated investment unprofitable. Any substantial unanticipated delays or expenses could adversely affect the investment returns from these redevelopment projects and harm our operating results.

We are subject to payment default risks due to our investments in consumer financing through our subsidiary APSA.

Through our subsidiary APSA we owned as of June 30, 2009 a 93.4% interest in Tarshop, a company dedicated to the consumer finance business that originates credit cards accounts and personal loans to promote sales from APSA's tenants and other selected retailers. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, Tarshop had net revenues of Ps 236.8 million, representing 19.4% of our consolidated revenues for such fiscal period.

Consumer financing businesses such as Tarshop are adversely affected by defaults or late payments by borrowers and card holders on credit card accounts, difficulties enforcing collection of payments, fraudulent accounts and the writing off of past due receivables. The present rates of delinquency, collection proceedings and loss of receivables may vary and be affected by numerous factors beyond our control, which, among others, include:

adverse changes in the Argentine economy;

adverse changes in the regional economies;

political instability;

changes in regulations;

increases in unemployment; and

erosion of real and/or nominal salaries.

These and other factors may have an adverse effect on rates of delinquency, collections and receivables, any one or more of which could have a material adverse effect on the results of operations of Tarshop's consumer finance business. In addition, if our consumer finance business is adversely affected by one or more of the above factors, the quality of our securitized receivables is also likely to be adversely affected. Therefore, we could be adversely affected to the extent that we hold an interest in any such securitized receivables.

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Tarshop's accounts receivables, which consist of cash flows from consumer financing and personal loans, are placed into a number of trust accounts that securitize those receivables. Tarshop sells beneficial interests in these trust accounts through the sale of debt certificates, but remains a beneficiary of these trust accounts by holding Ps.147.0 million in equity certificates as of June 30, 2009.

The securitization market is still open and Tarshop completed securitization programs during the recent months with no disruptions. As of June 30, 2009, Tarshop credit risk exposure is contractually limited to the subordinated retained interests representing Ps. 147.0 million and Ps. 7.8 million escrow reserves for losses. Due to the factors mentioned above, as of June 30, 2009, Tarshop recorded another-than-temporary impairment charge of Ps. 12.1 million to the retained interests to reflect current fair value.

We cannot assure you that collection of payments from credit card accounts and personal loans will be sufficient to distribute earnings to holders of participation certificates, which would reduce Tarshop's earnings. In addition, local authorities might increase credit card or trust account regulations, negatively affecting Tarshop's revenues and results of operation. We may also face higher liquidity risks on financial trusts.

Our subordinated interest in Tarshop's securitized assets may have no value.

Through APSA's subsidiary Tarshop we take part in the consumer financing business. Tarshop operates in the issuance, processing and marketing of our own non-banking credit card called *Tarjeta Shopping* and grants personal loans. Tarshop's accounts receivables, which consist of cash flows from consumer financing and personal loans, are placed into a number of financial trusts that securitize those receivables. These financial trusts issue trust debt securities that are placed through public offerings, while Tarshop keeps a subordinated interest by holding participation certificates. Such participation certificates amounted to Ps. 147.0 million as of June 30, 2009.

We cannot assure you that collection of payments from credit card accounts and personal loans will be sufficient to recover the participation certificates, which would reduce Tarshop's earnings. In addition, local authorities might increase credit card or trust account regulations, negatively affecting Tarshop's revenues and results of operations.

We are subject to risks affecting the hotel industry.

The full-service segment of the lodging industry in which our hotels operate is highly competitive. The operational success of our hotels is highly dependent on our ability to compete in areas such as access, location, quality of accommodations, rates, quality food and beverage facilities and other services and amenities. Our hotels may face additional competition if other companies decide to build new hotels or improve their existing hotels to increase their attractiveness.

In addition, the profitability of our hotels depends on:

our ability to form successful relationships with international and local operators to run our hotels;

changes in tourism and travel patterns, including seasonal changes;

affluence of tourists, which can be affected by a slowdown in global economy; and

taxes and governmental regulations affecting wages, prices, interest rates, construction procedures and costs.

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Our business is subject to extensive regulation and additional regulations may be imposed in the future.

Our activities are subject to federal, state and municipal laws, and to regulations, authorizations and licenses required with respect to construction, zoning, use of the soil, environmental protection and historical patrimony, consumer protection and other requirements, all of which affect our ability to acquire land, buildings and shopping centers, develop and build projects and negotiate with customers. In addition, companies in this industry are subject to increasing tax rates, the creation of new taxes and changes in the taxation regime. We are required to obtain licenses and authorizations with different governmental authorities in order to carry out our projects. Maintaining our licenses and authorizations can be a costly provision. In the case of non-compliance with such laws, regulations, licenses and authorizations, we may face fines, project shutdowns, cancellation of licenses and revocation of authorizations.

In addition, public authorities may issue new and stricter standards, or enforce or interpret existing laws and regulations in a more restrictive manner, which may force us to make expenditures to comply with such new rules. Development activities are also subject to risks relating to potential delays or an inability to obtain all necessary zoning, environmental, land-use, development, building, occupancy and other required governmental permits and authorizations. Any such delays or failures to obtain such government approvals may have an adverse effect on our business.

In the past, the Argentine government imposed strict and burdensome regulations regarding leases in response to housing shortages, high rates of inflation and difficulties in accessing credit. Such regulations limited or prohibited increases on rental prices and prohibited eviction of tenants, even for failure to pay rent. Most of our leases provide that the tenants pay all costs and taxes related to their respective leased areas. In the event of a significant increase in the amount of such costs and taxes, the Argentine government may respond to political pressure to intervene by regulating this practice, thereby negatively affecting our rental income. We cannot assure you that the Argentine government will not impose similar or other regulations in the future. Changes in existing laws or the enactment of new laws governing the ownership, operation or leasing of properties in Argentina could negatively affect the Argentine real estate market and the rental market and materially and adversely affect our operations and profitability.

Lease Law No. 23,091 imposes restrictions that limit our flexibility.

Argentine laws governing leases impose certain restrictions, including the following:

lease agreements may not contain inflation adjustment clauses based on consumer price indexes or wholesale price indexes. Although many of our lease agreements contain readjustment clauses, these are not based on an official index nor do they reflect the inflation index. In the event of litigation it may be impossible for us to adjust the amounts owed to us under our lease agreements;

residential leases must comply with a mandatory minimum term of two years and retail leases must comply with a mandatory minimum term of three years except in the case of stands and/or spaces for special exhibitions;

lease terms may not exceed ten years, except for leases regulated by Law No. 25,248 (which provides that leases containing a purchase option are not subject to term limitations); and

tenants may rescind commercial and office lease agreements after the initial six-month period.

As a result of the foregoing, we are exposed to the risk of increases of inflation under our leases and the exercise of rescission rights by our tenants could materially and adversely affect our business and we cannot assure you that our tenants will not exercise such right, especially if rent values stabilize or decline in the future.

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Eviction proceedings in Argentina are difficult and time consuming.

Although Argentine law permits a summary proceeding to collect unpaid rent and a special proceeding to evict tenants, eviction proceedings in Argentina are difficult and time-consuming. Historically, the heavy workloads of the courts and the numerous procedural steps required have generally delayed landlords' efforts to evict tenants. Eviction proceedings generally take between six months and two years from the date of filing of the suit to the time of actual eviction.

We have usually attempted to negotiate the termination of lease agreements with defaulting tenants after the first few months of non-payment in order to avoid legal proceedings. Delinquency may increase significantly in the future, and such negotiations with tenants may not be as successful as they have been in the past. Moreover, new Argentine laws and regulations may forbid or restrict eviction proceedings, and in such case, they would likely have a material and adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operation.

Our assets are concentrated in the Buenos Aires area.

Our principal properties are located in the City of Buenos Aires and the Province of Buenos Aires and a substantial portion of our revenues are derived from such properties. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, more than 88% of our consolidated revenues were derived from properties in the Buenos Aires metropolitan area including the City of Buenos Aires. Although we own properties and may acquire or develop additional properties outside Buenos Aires, we expect to continue to depend to a large extent on economic conditions affecting those areas, and therefore, an economic downturn in those areas could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

We face risks associated with the expansion to other Latin American markets.

From 1994 to 2002, we had substantial investments outside of Argentina, including Brazil Realty, which was sold in 2002, and Fondo de Valores Inmobiliarios in Venezuela, which was sold in 2001.

We continue to believe that Brazil, Uruguay and other Latin American countries offer attractive opportunities for growth in the real estate sector. We will continue to consider investment opportunities outside of Argentina as they arise.

Investments in Brazil and other Latin American countries are subject to significant risks including sovereign risks and risks affecting these countries' real estate sectors. These risks include competition by well-established as well as new developers, unavailability of financing or financing on terms that are not acceptable to us, exchange rate fluctuations, lack of liquidity in the market, rising construction costs and inflation, extensive and potentially increasing regulation and bureaucratic procedures to obtain permits and authorizations, political and economic instability that may result in sharp shifts in demand for properties, risks of default in payment and difficulty evicting defaulting tenants.

Recently, the Company has acquired a property in *Partido de la Costa*, Department of Canelones, Uruguay, near Montevideo, where it plans to develop a real estate housing units and commercial premises.

We face risks associated with our expansion in the United States.

On July 2, 2008, we acquired a 30% interest in Metropolitan, a limited liability company organized under the laws of Delaware, United States of America;

Metropolitan's main asset is the Lipstick Building, a 34-story building located on Third Avenue between 53rd and 54th streets in Manhattan, New York City. Metropolitan has incurred debt in connection with the Lipstick Building. *For more information about Metropolitan, please see Results of operation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008 and 2009 and Gain/(Loss) on equity investee .*

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Also, after the end of fiscal year 2009, on August 4, 2009, we acquired a 10.4% equity interest in Hersha Hospitality Trust (Hersha), whose main assets are 73 hotels. Most of these hotels are located in the east coast of the U.S. *For more information about Hersha, please see Recent Developments and Significant Changes .*

The U.S. markets have been recently experiencing extreme dislocations and a severe contraction in available liquidity globally as important segments of the credit markets were frozen. Global financial markets have been disrupted by, among other things, volatility in security prices, rating downgrades and declining valuations, and this disruption has been acute in real estate and related markets. This disruption has led to a decline in business and consumer confidence and increased unemployment and has precipitated an economic recession around the globe. As a consequence, owners and operators of commercial real estate, including hotels and resorts, and commercial real estate properties as offices, may continue to experience declines in business and real estate values in the U.S. or elsewhere. We are unable to predict the likely duration or severity of the effects of the disruption in financial markets and adverse economic conditions and the effects they may have on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

If the bankruptcy of Inversora Dársena Norte S.A. is extended to our subsidiary Puerto Retiro, we will likely lose a significant investment in a unique waterfront land reserve in the City of Buenos Aires.

On November 18, 1997, in connection with the acquisition of our subsidiary Inversora Bolívar S.A. (Inversora Bolívar), we indirectly acquired 35.2% of the capital stock of Puerto Retiro. Inversora Bolívar had purchased such shares of Puerto Retiro from Redona Investments Ltd. N.V. in 1996. In 1999, we, through Inversora Bolívar, increased our interest in Puerto Retiro to 50.0% of its capital stock. On April 18, 2000, Puerto Retiro received notice of a complaint filed by the Argentine government, through the Ministry of Defense, seeking to extend the bankruptcy of Inversora Dársena Norte S.A. (Indarsa). Upon filing of the complaint, the bankruptcy court issued an order restraining the ability of Puerto Retiro to dispose of, in any manner, the real property it had purchased in 1993 from Tandanor S.A. (Tandanor). Puerto Retiro appealed the restraining order which was confirmed by the court on December 14, 2000.

In 1991, Indarsa had purchased 90% of Tandanor, a formerly government owned company, which owned a large piece of land near Puerto Madero of approximately 8 hectares, divided into two spaces: Planta 1 and 2. After the purchase of Tandanor by Indarsa, in June 1993 Tandanor sold Planta 1 to Puerto Retiro, for a sum of US\$18 million pursuant to a valuation performed by J.L. Ramos, a well-known real estate brokerage firm in Argentina. Indarsa failed to pay to the Argentine government the outstanding price for its purchase of the stock of Tandanor. As a result the Ministry of Defense requested the bankruptcy of Indarsa. Since the only asset of Indarsa was its holding in Tandanor, the Argentine government is seeking to extend the bankruptcy to the companies or individuals which, according to its view, acted as a single economic group. In particular, the Argentine government has requested the extension of the bankruptcy to Puerto Retiro which acquired Planta 1 from Tandanor.

The time for producing evidence in relation to these legal proceeding has expired. The parties have submitted their closing arguments and are awaiting a final judgment. However, the judge has delayed his decision until a final judgment in the criminal proceedings against the former Defense Minister and former directors of Indarsa has been delivered. We cannot give you any assurance that we will prevail in this proceeding, and if the plaintiff's claim is upheld by the courts, all of the assets of Puerto Retiro would likely be used to pay Indarsa's debts and our investment in Puerto Retiro, valued at Ps.54.4 million as of June 30, 2009, would be lost. As of June 30, 2009, we had not established any reserve in respect of this contingency.

Property ownership through joint ventures or minority participation may limit our ability to act exclusively in our interest.

We develop and acquire properties in joint ventures with other persons or entities when we believe circumstances warrant the use of such structures. For example, in the Shopping center segment, as of June 30, 2009, we owned 63.3% of Alto Palermo, while Parque Arauco S.A. owns 29.6%. We through our subsidiary Alto Palermo, own 80% of Panamerican Mall S.A., while 20% is owned by Centro Comercial Panamericano S.A.. In the Development and sale of properties segment, we have ownership of 50% in Puerto Retiro and Cyrsa S.A.

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(CYRSA). In addition we have a 90% stake in Solares de Santa María S.A. while Unicity S.A. owns the remaining 10%. In the Hotel operations segment, we own 50% of the Llao Llao Hotel, while another 50% is owned by the Sutton Group. We owned 80% of the Hotel Libertador, while 20% is owned by Hoteles Sheraton de Argentina S.A. We owned 76.34% of Hotel Intercontinental. In the Financial operations and others segment, we owned 21.34% of Banco Hipotecario (without considering treasury shares), while the Argentine government has a controlling interest in it. Finally, after the end of fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, we acquired a 30% interest in Metropolitan, which as of June 30, 2009, is still held by it.

We could become engaged in a dispute with one or more of our joint venture partners that might affect our ability to operate a jointly-owned property. Moreover, our joint venture partners may, at any time, have business, economic or other objectives that are inconsistent with our objectives, including objectives that relate to the timing and terms of any sale or refinancing of a property. For example, the approval of certain of the other investors is required with respect to operating budgets and refinancing, encumbering, expanding or selling any of these properties. In some instances, our joint venture partners may have competing interests in our markets that could create conflicts of interest. If the objectives of our joint venture partners are inconsistent with our own objectives, we will not be able to act exclusively in our interests.

If one or more of the investors in any of our jointly owned properties were to experience financial difficulties, including bankruptcy, insolvency or a general downturn of business, there could be an adverse effect on the relevant property or properties and in turn, on our financial performance. Should a joint venture partner be declared bankrupt, we could become liable for our partner's share of joint venture liabilities.

We may not be able to recover the mortgage loans we have provided to purchasers of units in our residential development properties.

In recent years, we have provided mortgage financing to purchasers of units in our residential development properties. Before January 2002, our mortgage loans were U.S. dollar-denominated and accrued interest at a fixed interest rate generally ranging from 10% to 15% per year and for terms generally ranging from one to fifteen years. However, on March 13, 2002, the Central Bank converted all U.S. dollar denominated debts into Peso denominated debts at the exchange rate of Ps.1.00 =US\$1.00. In addition, the Central Bank imposed maximum interest rates of 3% for residential mortgage loans to individuals and 6% for mortgage loans to businesses. These regulations adversely affected the U.S. dollar value of our outstanding mortgages.

Beside risks normally associated with providing mortgage financing, including the risk of default on principal and interest, other regulatory risks such as suspension of foreclosure enforcement proceedings could adversely affect our cash flow. Argentine law imposes significant restrictions on our ability to foreclose and auction properties. Thus, when there is a default under a mortgage, we do not have the right to foreclose on the unit. Instead, in accordance with Law No. 24,441, in order to reacquire a property we are required to purchase it at a court ordered public auction, or at an out-of-court auction. However, the Public Emergency Law temporarily suspended all judicial and non-judicial mortgage and pledge enforcement actions. Several laws and decrees extended this mortgage foreclosure suspension period. On June 14, 2006, a new suspension period was approved, which established a 180-day suspension period for mortgage foreclosure proceedings affecting debtors' only dwellings and where the original loan was no higher than Ps.100,000.

Law No. 25,798, which was enacted on November 6, 2003 and is regulated by Decrees No. 1284/2003 and 352/2004, among others, establishes a system to restructure debts resulting from unpaid mortgage loans, by creating a trust by means of which the Executive Branch will refinance the mortgage debts and reschedule the maturity date. Financial institutions were given up to 60 business days from the enactment of the law to accept said terms. This law was partially modified by Law No. 25,908, enacted on July 13, 2004, which included various conditions referring to the incorporation into this system of the mortgage loans that were in judicial or private execution proceedings. The parties to mortgage loans were given a term to express their adhesion to such system. The term for financial institutions to accept the system was extended in several occasions by Decree No. 352/2004, Law No. 26,062, Law No. 26,084 and Law No. 26,103. Law No. 26,167, enacted in November 2006, established a special proceeding to replace ordinary trials for the enforcement of some mortgage loans. Such

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special proceedings give creditors ten days to inform the debtor the amounts owed to them and thereafter agree with the debtor on the amount and terms of payment. In case of failure by the parties to reach an agreement, payment conditions are to be determined by the judge. Also, this law established the suspension of the execution of judicial judgements, judicial and extrajudicial auctions, evictions and other proceedings related to the mortgage loans contemplated in such law.

We cannot assure you that laws and regulations relating to foreclosure on real estate will not continue to change in the future or that any changes will not adversely affect our business, financial condition or result of operations.

Dividend restrictions in our subsidiaries debt agreements may adversely affect us.

We have subsidiaries and hence an important source of funds for us, as cash dividends and other permitted payments from our subsidiaries. The debt agreements of our subsidiaries contain covenants restricting their ability to pay dividends or make other distributions. If our subsidiaries are unable to make payments to our Company, or are able to pay only limited amounts, we may be unable to pay dividends or make payments on our indebtedness.

We are dependent on our chairman Eduardo Elsztain and certain other senior managers.

Our success depends on the continued employment of Eduardo S. Elsztain, our Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors, who has significant expertise and knowledge of our business and industry. The loss of or interruption in his services for any reason could have a material adverse effect on our business. Our future success also depends in part upon our ability to attract and retain other highly qualified personnel. We cannot assure you that we will be successful in hiring or retaining qualified personnel. A failure to hire or retain qualified personnel may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

We may face potential conflicts of interest relating to our principal shareholders.

Our largest beneficial owner is Mr. Eduardo S. Elsztain, through his indirect shareholding through Cresud S.A.C.I.F.y A. (Cresud). As of November 30, 2009, such beneficial ownership consisted of: (i) 290,696,653 shares held by Cresud, (ii) 39,855,739 shares held by Agrology, a 99.9% subsidiary controlled by Cresud, (iii) 545,384 common shares beneficially owned by Inversiones Financieras del Sur S.A., (iv) 628,070 shares held by Consultores Assets Management S.A., and (v) 2,900 shares held directly by Mr. Elsztain.

Conflicts of interest between Cresud s management, IRSA and our affiliates may arise in the performance of our business activities. As of November 30, 2009, Mr. Elsztain also beneficially owned (i) approximately 34.8% of Cresud s common shares (on a fully diluted basis) and (ii) approximately 65.86% (on a fully diluted basis) of the common shares of our subsidiary Alto Palermo. We cannot assure you that our principal shareholders and their affiliates will not limit or cause us to forego business opportunities that our affiliates may pursue or that the pursuit of other opportunities will be in our interest.

Due to the currency mismatches between our assets and liabilities, we have significant currency exposure.

As of June 30, 2009, the majority of our liabilities, such as IRSA s 8.5% notes due 2017, APSA s Series I Notes, the mortgage loan to our subsidiary Hoteles Argentinos S.A. and APSA s convertible notes are denominated in U.S. dollars while a significant portion of our revenues and assets as of June 30, 2009, are denominated in Pesos. This currency gap exposes us to a risk of exchange rate volatility, which would negatively affect our financial results if the dollar were to appreciate against the Peso. Any further depreciation of the Peso against the U.S. dollar will correspondingly increase the amount of our debt in Pesos, with further adverse effects on our results of operation and financial condition and may increase the collection risk of our leases and other receivables from our tenants and mortgage debtors, most of whom have Peso-denominated revenues.

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The shift of consumers to purchasing goods over the Internet may negatively affect sales in our shopping centers.

During the last years, retail sales by means of the Internet have grown significantly in Argentina, even though the market share of Internet sales related to retail sales is still not significant. The Internet enables manufacturers and retailers to sell directly to consumers, diminishing the importance of traditional distribution channels such as retail stores and shopping centers. We believe that our target consumers are increasingly using the Internet, from home, work or elsewhere, to shop electronically for retail goods, and this trend is likely to continue. If e-commerce and retail sales through the Internet continue to grow, consumers' reliance on traditional distribution channels such as our shopping centers could be materially diminished, having a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and business prospects.

Risks Relating to our Investment in Banco Hipotecario

Our investment in Banco Hipotecario is subject to risks affecting Argentina's financial system.

As of June 30, 2009, we owned 21,34% of the outstanding capital stock of Banco Hipotecario (without considering treasury shares) which represented 10.9% of our consolidated assets at such date. Substantially all of Banco Hipotecario's operations, properties and customers are located in Argentina. Accordingly, the quality of Banco Hipotecario's loan portfolio, financial condition and results of operations depend to a significant extent on economic and political conditions prevailing in Argentina. The political and economic crisis in Argentina during 2002 and 2003 and the Argentine government's actions to address it have had and may continue to have a material adverse effect on Banco Hipotecario's business, financial condition and results of operations.

Financial institutions are subject to significant regulation relating to functions that historically have been mandated by the Central Bank and other regulatory authorities. Measures adopted by the Central Bank have had, and future regulations may have, a material adverse effect on Banco Hipotecario's financial condition and results of operations.

Laws and decrees implemented during the economic crisis in 2001 and 2002 have substantially altered contractual obligations affecting Argentina's financial sector. Recently, the Argentine Congress has considered various initiatives intended to reduce or eliminate a portion of the mortgage loan portfolio on the debt owed to Banco Hipotecario. Also, there have been certain initiatives intended to review the terms pursuant to which Banco Hipotecario was privatized. As a result, we cannot assure you that the Argentine legislature will not enact new laws that will have a significant adverse effect on Banco Hipotecario's shareholders' equity or that the Argentine government would compensate Banco Hipotecario for the resulting loss. These uncertainties could have a material adverse effect on the value of our investment in Banco Hipotecario.

Over the last calendar year, the financial markets in the most important countries in the world were affected by volatility, lack of liquidity and credit, which entailed a significant drop in international stock indexes, and an economic slow-down started to become evident worldwide. This situation is gradually reverting back to normal during 2009. Our management is closely monitoring the effects in order to implement the necessary measures to minimize the impact of the financial crisis on our operations.

Banco Hipotecario relies heavily on mortgage lending and the value of our investment in it depends in part on its ability to implement successfully its new business diversification strategy.

Historically, Banco Hipotecario has been engaged exclusively in mortgage lending and related activities. As a result, factors having an adverse effect on the mortgage market have a greater adverse impact on Banco Hipotecario than on its more diversified competitors. Due to its historic concentration in this recession-sensitive sector, Banco Hipotecario is particularly vulnerable to adverse changes in economic and market conditions in Argentina due to their adverse effect on (i) demand for new mortgage loans and (ii) the asset quality of outstanding mortgage loans. The past economic crisis had a material adverse effect on its liquidity, financial conditions and results of operations. In addition, a number of governmental measures that apply to the financial sector have had a material adverse effect particularly on Banco Hipotecario, impairing its financial condition.

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In light of the economic conditions in Argentina in the foreseeable future, Banco Hipotecario cannot rely exclusively on mortgage lending and related services. Accordingly, Banco Hipotecario has adapted its business strategy to confront the challenges of these new market conditions. Banco Hipotecario's ability to diversify its operation will depend on how successfully it diversifies its product offerings and transforms itself into a financial institution that no longer relies solely on mortgage lending.

With regard to Argentina, after June 2008 stock markets reflected significant drops in the prices of government and corporate securities, as well as an increase in interest rates, country risk and exchange rates. Subsequently, the securities issued by National Government have appreciated significantly during 2009.

In the past years Banco Hipotecario has made several investments that are designed to enable it to develop retail banking activities. Banco Hipotecario must overcome significant challenges to achieve this goal including, among others, its lack of experience and client relationships outside the mortgage sector, the existence of large, well-positioned competitors and significant political, regulatory and economic uncertainties in Argentina. As a result, we cannot give you any assurance that Banco Hipotecario will be successful in developing significant retail banking activities in the foreseeable future, if at all. If Banco Hipotecario is unable to diversify its operations by developing its retail banking activities and other non-mortgage banking activities, the value of our substantial investment in Banco Hipotecario would likely be materially and adversely affected.

Banco Hipotecario's mortgage loan portfolio is not adequately indexed for inflation and any significant increase in inflation could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition.

In accordance with Emergency Decree No. 214/02 and its implementing regulations, pesified assets and liabilities were adjusted for inflation as of February 3, 2002 by application of the Coeficiente de Estabilización de Referencia, or CER, a consumer price inflation coefficient. On May 6, 2002, the Executive Branch issued a decree providing that mortgages originally denominated in U.S. dollars and converted into Pesos pursuant to Decree No. 214/2002 and mortgages on property constituting a borrower's sole family residence may be adjusted for inflation only pursuant to a coefficient based on salary variation, the CVS, which during 2002 was significantly less than inflation as measured by the wholesale price index, or WPI. Through December 31, 2002, the WPI and the CVS posted cumulative increases of 118.2% and 0.2%, respectively, and the CER increased 41.4%. During 2003, inflation rose by 4.3% as measured by the WPI, 3.7% as measured by the CER and 15.8% as measured by the CVS. As a result, only 10% of Banco Hipotecario's mortgage loans are adjusted for inflation in accordance with the CER, 30% are adjusted in accordance with the CVS and 60% remain entirely unindexed. Additionally, pursuant to Law No. 25,796, Section 1, repealed effective April 1, 2004, the CVS as an indexation mechanism applied to the relevant portion of Banco Hipotecario's mortgages loans. The CVS increased until it was repealed by 5.3%, whereas the increase in CER was 5.5% as of December 31, 2004 and the WPI increased by 7.9%. During 2005, the CER increased to 11.75% and the WPI 10.7%, while in 2006 the CER and WPI increased by 10.3% and 7.1%, respectively. In 2007, CER and WPI increased by 8.5% and 14.6% respectively, while in 2008 the CER and WPI increased by 8% and 9% respectively. For the six month period ended June 30, 2009 the CER increased 2.6%.

Argentina's history prior to the adoption of the Convertibility Law, which set the exchange rate of the Argentine Peso to the U.S. dollar at Ps.1.00 = US\$1.00, raises serious doubts as to the ability of the Argentine government to maintain a strict monetary policy and control inflation. As a result of the high inflation in Argentina from 2002 onwards, Banco Hipotecario's mortgage loan portfolio experienced a significant decrease in value and if inflation continues increasing, it might continue to undergo a major decrease in value. Accordingly, an increase in Banco Hipotecario's funding and other costs due to inflation might not be offset by indexation, which could adversely affect its liquidity and results of operations.

Legislation limiting Banco Hipotecario's ability to foreclose on mortgaged collateral may have an adverse effect on it.

Like other mortgage lenders, the ability to foreclose on mortgaged collateral to recover on delinquent mortgage loans impacts the conduct of Banco Hipotecario's business. In February 2002, the Argentine government amended Argentina's Bankruptcy Law, suspending bankruptcies and foreclosures on real estate that

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constitutes the debtor's primary residence, initially for a six-month period and subsequently extended until November 14, 2002. Since 2003, the Argentine government has approved various laws that have suspended, in some cases, foreclosures for a period of time in accordance with Law No. 25,972 enacted on December 18, 2004, and, in some cases, temporarily suspended all judicial and non-judicial mortgage and pledge enforcement actions. Several laws and decrees extended this mortgage foreclosure suspension period. Most recently, on June 14, 2006, Argentine Law 26,103 was enacted which established a 180-day suspension period for mortgage foreclosure proceedings affecting debtors where the subject mortgage related to the debtor's sole residence and where the original loan was not greater than Ps.100,000.

Law No. 25,798, enacted November 5, 2003, and implemented by Decrees No. 1284/2003 and No. 352/2004, among others, sets forth a system to restructure delinquent mortgage payments and to prevent foreclosures on a debtor's sole residence (the Mortgage Refinancing System). The Mortgage Refinancing System establishes a trust composed of assets contributed by the Argentine government and income from restructured mortgage loans. *Banco de la Nación Argentina*, in its capacity as trustee of said trust, enters into debt restructuring agreements with delinquent mortgage debtors establishing the following terms: (i) a grace period on the mortgage loan of one year and (ii) monthly installment payments on the mortgage loan not to exceed 30% of the aggregate income of the family living in the mortgaged property. *Banco de la Nación Argentina* then subrogates the mortgagee's rights against the debtor, by issuing notes delivered to the mortgagee to settle the amounts outstanding on the mortgage loan. The sum restructured under the Mortgage Refinancing System may not exceed the appraisal value of the property securing the mortgage after deducting any debts for taxes and maintenance. The Mortgage Refinancing System was established for a limited period of time, during which parties to mortgage loan agreements could opt to participate and was subsequently extended by a number of decrees and laws.

Law No. 26,167, enacted on November 29, 2006, suspended foreclosures and also established a special proceeding for the enforcement of certain mortgage loans. Such special proceedings give creditors a 10-day period to inform the court of the amounts owed under the mortgage loans. Soon thereafter, the judge will call the parties for a hearing in order to reach an agreement on the amount and terms of payment thereunder. In case of failure by the parties to reach such agreement, they will have a 30-day negotiation period, and if the negotiations do not result in an agreement, then, payment and conditions will be determined by the courts.

On November 29, 2006, Law No. 26,177 created the *Unidad de Reestructuración*, a government agency responsible for the revision of each of the mortgage loans granted by the state-owned Banco Hipotecario Nacional, the predecessor of Banco Hipotecario S.A., before the enactment of the Convertibility Law in 1991. The *Unidad de Reestructuración* also makes non-binding recommendations to facilitate the restructuring of such mortgage loans. If no agreement is reached, the *Unidad de Reestructuración* will submit a proposal to the National Congress, which may recommend forgiveness or other write-off of such loans, extensions of their scheduled maturities or other subsidies that adversely affect Banco Hipotecario's ability to foreclose on such mortgage loans.

The government enacted Law No. 26,313, establishing a mandatory restructuring of certain mortgage loans that were granted by the former Banco Hipotecario Nacional prior to April 1, 1991, for the purchase, improvement, construction and/or expansion of single family residences, or for the repayment of loans that were used for any of such purposes.

We cannot assure you that the Argentine government will not enact further new laws restricting Banco Hipotecario's ability to enforce its rights as creditor. Any such limitation on its ability to successfully implement foreclosures could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition and results of operations.

Banco Hipotecario's non-mortgage loan portfolio has grown rapidly and is concentrated in the low- and middle-income segments.

As a result of Banco Hipotecario's strategy to diversify its banking operations and develop retail and other non-mortgage banking activities, in recent years its portfolio of non-mortgage loans has grown rapidly. During the period between June 30, 2007 and June 30, 2009, Banco Hipotecario's portfolio of non-mortgage loans grew

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29.7% from Ps.1,855.9 million to Ps.2,407.5 million. A substantial portion of its portfolio of non-mortgage loans consists of loans to low- and middle-income individuals and, to a lesser extent, middle-market companies. These individuals and companies are likely to be more seriously affected by adverse developments in the Argentine economy than high income individuals and large corporations. Consequently, in the future Banco Hipotecario may experience higher levels of past due non-mortgage loans that would likely result in increased provisions for loan losses. In addition, large-scale lending to low- and middle-income individuals and middle-market companies is a new business activity for Banco Hipotecario, and as a result its experience and loan-loss data for such loans are necessarily limited. Therefore, we cannot assure you that the levels of past due non-mortgage loans and resulting charge-offs will not increase materially in the future.

Given the current valuation criteria of the Central Bank for the recording of BODEN and other government securities on Banco Hipotecario's balance sheets, its most recent financial statements may not be indicative of its current financial condition.

Banco Hipotecario prepares its financial statements in accordance with Central Bank accounting rules which differ in certain material respects from Argentine GAAP. During 2002, Central Bank accounting rules were modified in several respects that materially increased certain discrepancies between Central Bank accounting rules and Argentine GAAP. In accordance with Central Bank accounting rules, Banco Hipotecario's consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2009 includes US\$563.4 million of BODEN issued by the Argentine government as compensation for pesification. Banco Hipotecario's consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2009 also includes Ps.20.7 million representing Central Bank borrowings which Banco Hipotecario incurred to finance its acquisition of the additional BODEN. In accordance with Central Bank accounting rules, the BODEN reflected on Banco Hipotecario's consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2009 have been recorded at their technical residual value plus accrued interest.

Due to interest rate and currency mismatches of its assets and liabilities, Banco Hipotecario has significant currency exposure.

As of June 30, 2009, Banco Hipotecario's foreign currency-denominated liabilities exceeded its foreign-currency-denominated assets by approximately US\$167.3 million. Substantially all of Banco Hipotecario's foreign currency assets consist of dollar-denominated BODEN, but Banco Hipotecario's liabilities in foreign currencies are denominated in both U.S. Dollars and Euros. This currency gap exposes Banco Hipotecario to risk of exchange rate volatility which would negatively affect Banco Hipotecario's financial results if the U.S. Dollar were to depreciate against the Peso and/or the Euro. We cannot assure you that the U.S. Dollar will not appreciate against the Peso, or that we will not be adversely affected by Banco Hipotecario's exposure to risks of exchange rate fluctuations.

Banco Hipotecario has acquired and will continue to acquire on a regular basis dollar futures and other derivatives in order to hedge its exposure to foreign currency and interest rate mismatches of its assets and liabilities.

Because of its large holdings of BODEN and other government securities, Banco Hipotecario has significant exposure to the Argentine public sector.

On December 23, 2001, the Argentine government declared the suspension of payments on most of its sovereign debt, which as of December 31, 2001, totaled approximately US\$144.5 billion, a substantial portion of which was restructured by the issuance of new bonds in the middle of 2005.

Banco Hipotecario's exposure to the public sector as of June 30, 2009 amounted US\$775 millions consisting mainly by BODEN 2012. Government securities represent approximately 24,5% of Banco Hipotecario's total assets as of June 30,2009. Considering Banco Hipotecario's BODEN holdings, it has a significant exposure to the Government's solvency. Furthermore, defaults by the Argentine government on its debt obligations, including Boden and other government securities held by Banco Hipotecario, would materially and adversely affects its financial condition which would in turn affect our investment.

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Banco Hipotecario operates in a highly regulated environment, and its operations are subject to regulations adopted, and measures taken, by the Central Bank, the Comisión Nacional de Valores and other regulatory agencies.

Financial institutions are subject to significant regulation relating to functions that historically have been mandated by the Central Bank and other regulatory authorities. Measures adopted by the Central Bank have had, and future regulations may have, a material adverse effect on Banco Hipotecario's financial condition and results of operations. For example, on July 25, 2003, the Central Bank announced its intention to adopt new capital adjustment requirements which will be gradually implemented until 2009. Furthermore, the IMF and other multilateral agencies encouraged the Government to impose minimum capital adjustment, solvency and liquidity requirements, in accordance with the international guidelines, which may produce significant operating restrictions on Banco Hipotecario.

Similarly, the CNV, which authorizes Banco Hipotecario's offerings of securities and regulates the public markets in Argentina, has the authority to impose sanctions on Banco Hipotecario and its board of directors for breaches of corporate governance requirements. Under applicable law, the CNV has the authority to impose penalties that range from minor regulatory enforcement sanctions to significant monetary fines, to disqualification of directors from performing board functions for a period of time, and (in the most serious cases) prohibiting issuers from making public offerings, if they were to determine that there was wrongdoing or material violation of law. Although Banco Hipotecario is not currently party to any proceeding before the CNV, we cannot assure you that the CNV will not initiate new proceedings against Banco Hipotecario, its shareholders or directors or impose further sanctions.

Commencing in early 2002, laws and decrees have been implemented that have substantially altered the prevailing legal regime and obligations established in contract. In the recent past, various initiatives have been presented to Congress intended to reduce or eliminate the debt owed to Banco Hipotecario on a portion of its mortgage loan portfolio and there were initiatives intended to review the terms pursuant to which Banco Hipotecario Nacional was privatized. As a result, we cannot assure you that the legislative branch will not enact new laws that will have a significant adverse impact on Banco Hipotecario's shareholders' equity or that, if this were to occur, the Argentine government would compensate us for the resulting loss.

The Argentine government may prevail in all matters to be decided at a Banco Hipotecario's general shareholders meeting.

According to the Privatization Law and Banco Hipotecario's by-laws, holders of Class A and Class D Shares have special voting rights relating to certain corporate decisions. Whenever such special rights do not apply (with respect to the Class A Shares and the Class D Shares) and in all cases (with respect to the Class B Shares and the Class C Shares), each share of common shares entitles the holder to one vote. Pursuant to Argentine regulations, Banco Hipotecario may not issue new shares with multiple votes.

The holders of Class D Shares have the right to elect nine of Banco Hipotecario's board members and their respective alternates. In addition, for so long as Class A Shares represent more than 42.0% of Banco Hipotecario's capital, the Class D Shares shall be entitled to three votes per share, provided that holders of Class D Shares will be entitled to only one vote per share in the case of a vote on:

- a fundamental change in Banco Hipotecario's corporate purpose;
- a change in Banco Hipotecario's domicile outside of Argentina;
- dissolution prior to the expiration of Banco Hipotecario's corporate existence;
- a merger or spin-off after which Banco Hipotecario would not be the surviving corporation;
- a total or partial recapitalization following a mandatory reduction of capital; and

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approval of voluntary reserves, other than legally mandated reserves, when their amount exceeds Banco Hipotecario's capital stock and its legally mandated reserves.

In addition, irrespective of what percentage of Banco Hipotecario's outstanding capital stock is represented by Class A Shares, the affirmative vote of the holders of Class A Shares is required to adopt certain decisions. Class D Shares will not be converted into Class A Shares, Class B Shares or Class C Shares by virtue of their reacquisition by the Argentine government, PPP or Programa de Propiedad Participada (or the Shared Property Program) participants or companies engaged in housing development or real estate activities.

According to the Privatization Law, there are no restrictions on the ability of the Argentine government to dispose of its Class A shares, and all but one of such shares could be sold to third parties in a public offering. If the Class A shares represent less than 42% of Banco Hipotecario's total voting stock as a result of the issuance of new shares other than Class A shares or otherwise, the Class D shares we hold would automatically lose their triple voting rights. If this were to occur, we would likely lose its current ability, together with our affiliates that also hold Class D shares of Banco Hipotecario, to exercise substantial influence over decisions submitted to the vote of Banco Hipotecario's shareholders.

Banco Hipotecario will continue to consider acquisition opportunities which may not be successful.

From time to time in recent years, Banco Hipotecario has considered certain possible acquisitions or business combinations, and Banco Hipotecario expects to continue considering acquisitions that it believes offer attractive opportunities and are consistent with its business strategy. We cannot assure you, however, that Banco Hipotecario will be able to identify suitable acquisition candidates or that Banco Hipotecario will be able to acquire promising target financial institutions on favorable terms. Additionally, its ability to obtain the desired effects of such acquisitions will depend in part on its ability to successfully complete the integration of those businesses. The integration of acquired businesses entails significant risks, including:

unforeseen difficulties in integrating operations and systems;

problems assimilating or retaining the employees of acquired businesses;

challenges retaining customers of acquired businesses;

unexpected liabilities or contingencies relating to the acquired businesses; and

the possibility that management may be distracted from day-to-day business concerns by integration activities and related problem solving.

Risks Related to the Global Depositary Shares and the Shares

Shares eligible for sale could adversely affect the price of our common shares and Global Depositary Shares.

The market prices of our common shares and GDS could decline as a result of sales by our existing shareholders of common shares or GDSs in the market, or the perception that these sales could occur. These sales also might make it difficult for us to sell equity securities in the future at a time and at a price that we deem appropriate.

The GDSs are freely transferable under US securities laws, including shares sold to our affiliates. Cresud, which as of November 30, 2009, owned approximately 57.12% of our common shares (or approximately 330,552,392 common shares which may be exchanged for an aggregate of 33,055,239 GDSs), is free to dispose of any or all of its common shares or GDSs at any time in its discretion. Sales of a large number of our common shares and/or GDSs would likely have an adverse effect on the market price of our common shares and the GDS.

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We are subject to certain different corporate disclosure requirements and accounting standards than domestic issuers of listed securities in the United States.

There is less publicly available information about the issuers of securities listed on the *Bolsa de Comercio de Buenos Aires* than information publicly available about domestic issuers of listed securities in the United States and certain other countries. In addition, all listed Argentine companies must prepare their financial statements in accordance with Argentine GAAP and the regulations of the CNV which differ in certain significant respects from U.S. GAAP. For this and other reasons, the presentation of Argentine financial statements and reported earnings may differ from that of companies in other countries in this and other respects.

We are exempted from the rules under the Exchange Act prescribing the furnishing and content of proxy statements, and our officers, directors and principal shareholders are exempted from the reporting and short-swing profit recovery provisions contained in Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

Investors may not be able to effect service of process within the U.S. limiting their recovery of any foreign judgment.

We are a publicly held corporation (*sociedad anónima*) organized under the laws of Argentina. Most of our directors and our senior managers, and most of our assets are located in Argentina. As a result, it may not be possible for investors to effect service of process within the United States upon us or such persons or to enforce against us or them, in United States courts, judgments obtained in such courts predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the United States federal securities laws. We have been advised by our Argentine counsel, Zang, Bergel & Viñes, that there is doubt as to whether the Argentine courts will enforce to the same extent and in as timely a manner as a US or foreign court, an action predicated solely upon the civil liability provisions of the United States federal securities laws or other foreign regulations brought against such persons or against us.

If we are considered to be a passive foreign investment company for United States federal income tax purposes, U.S. Holders of our common shares or GDSs would suffer negative consequences.

Based on the current and projected composition of our income and the valuation of our assets, including goodwill, we do not believe we were a passive foreign investment company (PFIC) for United States federal income tax purposes for the taxable year ending June 30, 2009, and we do not currently expect to become a PFIC, although there can be no assurance in this regard. The determination of whether we are a PFIC is made annually. Accordingly, it is possible that we may be a PFIC in the current or any future taxable year due to changes in our asset or income composition or if our projections are not accurate. The volatility and instability of Argentina's economic and financial system may substantially affect the composition of our income and assets and the accuracy of our projections. In addition, this determination is based on the interpretation of certain U.S. Treasury regulations relating to rental income, which regulations are potentially subject to differing interpretation. If we become a PFIC, U.S. Holders (as defined in Taxation United States Taxation) of our common shares or GDSs will be subject to certain United States federal income tax rules that have negative consequences for U.S. Holders such as additional tax and an interest charge upon certain distributions by us or upon a sale or other disposition of our common shares or GDSs at a gain, as well as additional reporting requirements. See Taxation United States Taxation Passive Foreign Investment Company for a more detailed discussion of the consequences if we are deemed a PFIC. You should consult your own tax advisors regarding the application of the PFIC rules to your particular circumstances.

Under Argentine law, shareholder rights may be fewer or less well defined than in other jurisdictions.

Our corporate affairs are governed by our by-laws and by Argentine corporate law, which differ from the legal principles that would apply if we were incorporated in a jurisdiction in the United States, such as the States of Delaware or New York, or in other jurisdictions outside Argentina. In addition, your rights or the rights of holders of our common shares to protect your or their interests in connection with actions by our board of directors may be fewer and less well defined under Argentine corporate law than under the laws of those other jurisdictions. Although insider trading and price manipulation are illegal under Argentine law, the Argentine

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securities markets are not as highly regulated or supervised as the US securities markets or markets in some other jurisdictions. In addition, rules and policies against self dealing and regarding the preservation of shareholder interests may be less well defined and enforced in Argentina than in the United States, putting holders of our common shares and GDSs at a potential disadvantage.

The protections afforded to minority shareholders in Argentina are different from and more limited than those in the United States and may be more difficult to enforce.

Under Argentine law, the protections afforded to minority shareholders are different from, and much more limited than, those in the United States and some other Latin American countries. For example, the legal framework with respect to shareholder disputes, such as derivative lawsuits and class actions, is less developed under Argentine law than under U.S. law as a result of Argentina's short history with these types of claims and few successful cases. In addition, there are different procedural requirements for bringing these types of shareholder lawsuits. As a result, it may be more difficult for our minority shareholders to enforce their rights against us or our directors or controlling shareholder than it would be for shareholders of a US company.

Holders of common shares may determine to not pay any dividends.

In accordance with Argentine corporate law we may pay dividends to shareholders out of net and realized profits, if any, as set forth in our audited financial statements prepared in accordance with Argentine GAAP. The approval, amount and payment of dividends are subject to the approval by our shareholders at our annual ordinary shareholders meeting. The approval of dividends requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shareholders entitled to vote at the meeting. As a result, we cannot assure you that we will be able to generate enough net and realized profits so as to pay dividends or that our shareholders will decide that dividends will be paid.

Our ability to pay dividends is limited by law, by our by-laws and by certain restrictive covenants in our debt instruments.

In accordance with Argentine corporate law, we may pay dividends in Pesos only out of retained earnings, if any, to the extent set forth in our audited financial statements prepared in accordance with Argentine GAAP. In addition, our ability to pay dividends on our common shares is limited by certain restrictive covenants in our debt instruments.

On February 2, 2007, we issued our 8.5% notes due 2017 in an aggregate principal amount of US\$150.0 million. These bonds contain a covenant limiting our ability to pay dividends which may not exceed the sum of:

50% of our cumulative consolidated net income; or

75% of our cumulative consolidated net income if our consolidated interest coverage ratio for our most recent four consecutive fiscal quarters is at least 3.0 to 1; or

100% of cumulative consolidated net income if our consolidated interest coverage ratio for our most recent four consecutive fiscal quarters is at least 4.0 to 1; or

100% of the aggregate net cash proceeds (with certain exceptions) and the fair market value of property other than cash received by us or by our restricted subsidiaries from (a) any contribution to our equity capital or to the capital stock of our restricted subsidiaries or issuance and sale of our qualified capital stock or the qualified capital stock of our restricted subsidiaries subsequent to the issue of our notes due 2017, or (b) any issuance and sale subsequent to the issuance of our notes due 2017, of our indebtedness, or of the indebtedness of our restricted subsidiaries that has been converted into or exchanged for our qualified capital stock.

As a result, we cannot give you any assurance that in the future we will pay any dividends in respect of our common shares.

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ITEM 4. Information on the Company

A. History and Development of the Company

General Information

Our legal and commercial name is IRSA Inversiones y Representaciones Sociedad Anónima. We were incorporated and organized on April 30, 1943 under Argentine law as a stock corporation (sociedad anónima), and we were registered with the Public Registry of Commerce of the City of Buenos Aires (*Inspección General de Justicia* or *IGJ*) on June 23, 1943 under number 284, on page 291, book 46 of volume A. Pursuant to our bylaws, our term of duration expires on April 5, 2043. Our shares are listed and traded on the Bolsa de Comercio de Buenos Aires and Global Depository Shares representing our shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Our principal executive offices are located at Bolívar 108 1st floor, Buenos Aires (C1066AAD), Argentina. Our headquarters are located at Moreno 877, (C1091AAQ), Buenos Aires, Argentina. Our telephone is +54 (11) 4323-7400, and our website is www.irsa.com.ar. Information contained in or accessible through our website is not a part of this annual report. All references in this annual report to this or other internet sites are inactive textual references to these URLs, or uniform resource locators and are for your information reference only. We assume no responsibility for the information contained on these sites. Our Depository Agent for the Global Depository Shares in the United States is The Bank of New York whose address is P.O. Box 358516 Pittsburgh, PA 15252-8516, and whose telephones are + 1-888-BNY-ADR for U. S. calls and + 1 - 201-680-6825 for calls outside U.S.

History

Since 1991, when our current management and certain international investors acquired substantially all of our capital stock, we have been actively engaged in diverse real estate activities in Argentina. Following our global public offering in December 1994, we developed our real estate activities in the office rental market by acquiring three office towers located in prime office zones of Buenos Aires: Libertador 498, Maipú 1300 and Madero 1020.

Since 1996, we have been, through our subsidiary APSA, expanding our real estate activities into the shopping center segment by acquiring controlling interests in eleven shopping centers: Paseo Alcorta, Alto Palermo Shopping, Buenos Aires Design, Alto Avellaneda, Alto Noa, Abasto Shopping, Patio Bullrich, Mendoza Plaza Shopping, Alto Rosario, Córdoba Shopping Villa Cabrera and Dot Baires. Since 1996, we have also been expanding into the residential real estate market through the development and construction of multi-tower apartment complexes in the City of Buenos Aires and through the development of private residential communities in greater Buenos Aires.

In 1997, we entered the hotel market through the acquisition of a 50% interest in the Llao Llao Hotel near Bariloche and the InterContinental Hotel in the City of Buenos Aires. In 1998, we also acquired the Libertador Hotel in the City of Buenos Aires and subsequently sold a 20% interest to an affiliate of Sheraton Hotels.

In 2002, we issued US\$100.0 million of convertible notes due November 2007, accruing a 8% per annum interest rate, payable on a semi-annual basis. A warrant is attached to each convertible note and grants its holder an option to acquire additional shares. As of today, there are no outstanding convertible notes and warrants. As a result of the conversions and exercises our outstanding capital stock increased to 578,676,460.

During the 2004 fiscal year we increased our ownership interest in Banco Hipotecario, reflecting our intention to maintain the participation in Banco Hipotecario as a long-term investment. In recent years, we acquired additional shares increasing own equity interest Banco Hipotecario to 21,34%, as of June 30 2009 (without considering treasury shares).

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During the 2005 fiscal year we increased our ownership interest in Mendoza Plaza Shopping S.A. from 68.8% to 85.4% through our subsidiary APSA. We also opened Alto Rosario Shopping.

The excellent prospects of the offices business had pushed us to make an important investment in this segment by acquiring Bouchard 710 building in fiscal year 2005, covering 15,014 square meters of rentable premium space.

During the 2007 fiscal year, we consolidated our cash generating rental businesses, consummating various significant acquisitions in the shopping center and office building business segments. We purchased Edificio Bouchard Plaza, also known as Edificio La Nación, a 23-floor AAA office building with a total leaseable area of 33,324 sqm., located in downtown Buenos Aires. Later, we sold 9,946 sqm ending with a total leaseable area of 23,378 sqm. We also purchased Edificio Dock del Plata which has a gross leaseable area of 7,921 sqm located in the exclusive area of Puerto Madero, afterwards we sold 3,937 sqm keeping, as of June 30, 2009, 3,985 sqm. With these new purchases, we increased our premium office leaseable area by 70%, our share in this market segment raised close to 20%. We also launched the development of an office building at Dock IV of Puerto Madero, implying an additional leaseable area of approximately 11,000 sqm, which was opened in May 2009.

In December 2006, we started to operate Córdoba Shopping. Located in the neighborhood of Villa Cabrera in the city of Cordoba, Cordoba Shopping has a 35,000 sqm total area with 106 stores, 12 cinema screens and a parking lot for 1,500 vehicles. Moreover, through our subsidiaries, we started the construction of one of our most important projects; a shopping mall and an office building placed in the neighborhood of Saavedra, City of Buenos Aires, in the intersection of the Panamericana Highway and General Paz Avenue. The shopping mall, named Dot Baires Shopping was opened in May 2009 and includes 153 retail stores, a hypermarket, a cinema complex and parking spaces for 2,200 vehicles.

In order to finance the investments and developments detailed above, in February 2007 we issued 8.5% US\$150 million ten-year notes. Bids were received for up to 350% of the offer price, showing the investor community's strong support for our business plan. In addition, in May 2007 APSA issued 7.875% US\$120 million ten year notes and 11% Ps.154 million five year notes.

Also during the fiscal year 2007, we acquired a 50% ownership interest in an office building including in place leases of 31,670 square meters of gross leaseable area, known as the BankBoston Tower for the total consideration of US\$54 million including in place leases. This modern property is located at 265 Carlos María Della Paolera in the City of Buenos Aires, and was designed by the recognized Architect Cesar Pelli.

Our subsidiary, APSA entered into an agreement with INCSA, an unrelated party, for the acquisition of the Soleil Factory shopping center business, for US\$ 20.7 million, of which US\$ 8.1 million were paid and recorded as supplier advances. The transaction is subject to certain conditions. Upon fulfillment of the conditions and transfer of the business, the remaining balance of the purchase price amounting to US\$ 12.6 million will begin to accrue fixed interest at 5% per year. This balance will be paid in seven annual installments starting one year after the signing of the contract. As part of the same agreement, APSA entered into an offer to acquire, construct and operate a shopping center on land belonging to INCSA located in San Miguel de Tucuman, Province of Tucuman, in the northwest of Argentina. This transaction is also subject to the completion of the Soleil Factory transaction, among other suspensive conditions. The parties determined the value of this transaction to be US\$ 1.3 million.

In March 2008 we launched a residential project through a partnership with Cyrela Brazil Realty to develop a new homebuilding concept in Argentina accompanied by an innovating sales and financing policy. The launch of the first project of this partnership in the Vicente López neighborhood has proven to be successful by signing preliminary sales agreements for 99% of the units to be marketed as of the end of fiscal year 2009.

In April 2008, we acquired a building known as República Building, a property located in the City of Buenos Aires. This property, designed by the renowned architect César Pelli (who also designed the World Financial Center in New York and the Petronas Towers in Kuala Lumpur) is a unique premium office building in

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downtown Buenos Aires and adds approximately 19,533 gross leaseable square meters to our portfolio. We paid US\$ 70.2 million partially financed by a mortgage loan from Banco Macro for an amount of US\$ 33.6 million accruing interest at a fixed rate 12% per annum and payable in five equal, annual and consecutive installments as from April 2009. In June 2008, our subsidiary APSA acquired a plot of land situated at Beruti 3351/3359, between Bulnes and Avenida Coronel Díaz in Palermo, a neighborhood in the City of Buenos Aires quite close to our Shopping Center known as Shopping Alto Palermo. The transaction was executed for a total price of US\$17.8 million.

In July 2008, we acquired a 30% interest in Metropolitan, a limited liability company organized under the laws of Delaware, United States of America. The main asset of Metropolitan is a 34 story building known as the Lipstick Building located at Third Avenue between 53rd and 54th streets in Manhattan, New York City. In addition to this asset, the acquired company also includes the debt related to this building. The purchase price paid was US\$ 22.6 million. The property has approximately 59,000 square meters of leasable space. Also, we acquired the right (put right) to sell the 50% of the interest acquired in a period starting 6 months after this transaction until the third year anniversary of this transaction. Additionally, we acquired the right of first offering for 60% of the 5% interest currently held by one of the shareholders of Metropolitan.

During fiscal year 2009, to provide our consumer financing business with a suitable capital base taking into account the prevailing adverse market conditions, our subsidiary APSA took part in a capital increase for up to Ps.60 million, increasing its stake from 80% to 93.4%. Besides, several commercial and operative decisions were implemented in order to improve the business. During the period, APSA provided additional financial support to Tarshop for Ps. 105.0 million. These loans were capitalized on October 2009, after which APSA increased its equity stake in Tarshop to 98.6%.

In August 4, 2009, we acquired 5.7 million common shares which represents, approximately a 10.4% equity interest in Hersha capital stock. Together with the acquisition of the aforementioned equity interest, we were granted an option to acquire 5.7 million additional common shares at a price of US\$ 3.00 per share, the option expires on August 2014. The total purchase price was US\$ 14.2 million.

Capital Expenditures

Three-month period-Fiscal Year 2010. For the first three months period of fiscal year 2010 we invested Ps.20.3 million in capital expenditures mainly for the completion of Dot Baires shopping and Dique IV.

2009 Fiscal Year. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 we invested Ps.282.1 million, of which (i) Ps.272.3 million were related to acquisitions and improvements in fixed assets, mainly in the construction of Dot Baires shopping (Ps. 205.9 million) and the construction of Dique IV for Ps.31.0 million, and (ii) Ps.9.8 million were invested in the acquisition of undeveloped parcels of land.

2008 Fiscal Year. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, we invested Ps.768.7 million of which Ps.419.0 million were related to the acquisition of businesses and assets, mainly the purchase of two buildings (including their in place leases) known as Edificio República and Torre Bank Boston for Ps.228.3 million and Ps.173.9 million, respectively. We also made investments in fixed assets of Ps. 332.5 million of which Ps.270.2 million were invested through APSA primarily in the partial construction of the Dot Baires shopping for Ps.114.4 million, in improvements of shopping centers for Ps.50.0 million, in the initial payment for the transfer of Soleil Factory shopping center for Ps.25.6 million, and Ps.40.0 million in the Hotel operations segment of which Ps. 30.7 million were invested in Hotel Llao Llao. We also invested Ps.23.1 million relating to Patio Olmos Building and Ps.16.9 were related to advance payment for a plot of land located at Beruti 3571. We also invested Ps.17.2 million in undeveloped parcels of land.

2007 Fiscal Year. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, we invested Ps.419.4 million of which Ps.410.1 million, were related to the acquisition of Bouchard 551 for Ps.243.2 million, Ps.96.3 million through APSA primarily for the improvement of shopping centers and Ps.57.1 million in the Hotel operations segment, of which Ps.49.4 million were invested in Hotel Llao Llao. We also invested Ps.9.3 million in undeveloped parcels of land.

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Recent Developments

El Encuentro, Benavidez. As of December 22, 2009 DEESA transferred us the 110 residential plots identified in the option contract signed on May 21, 2004. Through this operation, DEESA canceled the mortgage in favor of Inversora Bolivar on the real property.

Purchase of Catalinas Plot of Land. In December 2009, we signed a purchase agreement in connection with the auction of a plot of land located in Catalinas Norte, City of Buenos Aires, totaling a surface of 3,648.54 sqm. The total amount for the transaction was fixed in Ps. 95.0 million. Ps. 19.0 million were paid upon the signature of the agreement and the outstanding balance of Ps. 76.0 million will be paid upon the execution of the deed of the plot in May 2010.

Purchase of Shares in APSA. Subsequent to the close of the fiscal year and until the date of this annual report, the Company purchased 38,400 shares issued by APSA of nominal value 0.1 each, for an average price of US\$ 0.1350 and for an aggregate amount of US\$ 0.005 million.

Purchase of Shares of Banco Hipotecario. Subsequent to the closing of the fiscal year 2009, we acquired, through our subsidiaries Palermo Invest S.A., Inversora Bolivar S.A., E-Commerce Latina S.A. and Tyrus S.A., 7,251,430 ADRs and 10,328,193 Class D shares of Banco Hipotecario S.A., for a total amount of US\$ 25.0 million. As a result of these acquisitions, our interest in Banco Hipotecario increased from 21.34% as of the close of fiscal year 2009 to 26.86% (without considering treasury shares), as of the date of this document.

Payment of dividends. As resolved by the General Ordinary and Extraordinary Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009 and the Board of Directors Meeting held in November 2009, we made available, as from November 17, 2009, a cash dividend of Ps. 31,7 million, equivalent to 5.5% of the Capital Stock, and an amount per share (\$1 par value) of Ps. 0.05.

Sale of Edificio Costeros (Dique II). On November 23, 2009, we sold to Fideicomiso de Administración Costeros, the building denominated Costeros Dique II A y B, located at Olga Cossetini street 1553, south Buenos Aires City. The total price of the operation that was fully paid by the purchaser amounted to US\$ 18.0 million.

Merger and spin-off-merger of our subsidiaries. Subsequent to the end of the first quarter of fiscal year 2010, we have reported the execution of a preliminary merger and spin-off agreement with our subsidiaries Patagonian Invest S.A., Palermo Invest S.A., and Inversora Bolivar S.A.. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting adjourned for November 27, 2009, approved the reorganization process and documentation submitted to the shareholders

Creation of Global Program of Short-term Debt Securities. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009, approved the creation of a global program for the issuance of short-term debt securities in the form of simple negotiable obligations, not convertible into shares, denominated in Pesos, U.S. Dollars or any other currency, secured by a common, special, floating and/or any other type of guarantee, including third-party guarantees, subordinated or not, for a maximum outstanding amount that at no time shall exceed the equivalent in Argentine Pesos or in other currencies of US\$ 50,0 million.

Increase of Global Note Program. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009 approved to increase the amount of the global program for the issuance of negotiable obligations for up to an additional amount of US\$ 200.0 million.

Approval of payment management bonus. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009, approved to delegate to the Board of Directors the power to distribute among the management of the Company up to 1% of the outstanding capital stock in cash, in kind or a combination of both methods, and the allocation thereof and timely implementation of such distribution.

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Acquisition of Hersha. On August 4, 2009 subsequent to the end of fiscal year 2009, we acquired through an indirectly controlled entity, which includes other minority investors, 5,7 million shares of Hersha which represented approximately 10.4% interest of the issuer. The price per share was US\$ 2.50 and therefore the total purchase price was US\$14.2 million.

Therefore, through the investment entity we become the principal shareholder of Hersha, a leading Company and one of the most prestigious in the hospitality segment in the U.S.

In connection with the investment, we have also entered into an Investor Rights and Option Agreement pursuant to which the Company has the option to buy up to 5,7 million additional common shares at a price of \$3.00 per share at any time prior to July 31, 2014 subject to certain terms. In addition, as a part of the investment agreements, our Chairman of the Board and CEO, Mr. Eduardo S. Elsztain, was appointed as trustee of Hersha.

During the month of November and December and as of the date of this Annual Report, we acquired additional 274,660 common shares of Hersha in several public transactions for the amount of US\$ 743,927.87.

Sale of Tarshop shares. On December 29, 2009 our subsidiary APSA executed a stock purchase agreement with Banco Hipotecario pursuant to which APSA sold shares representing 80% of the capital stock of its subsidiary Tarshop to Banco Hipotecario. Such shareholding consists of 107,037,152 non-endorsable, registered ordinary shares, with a nominal value of 1 Peso per share. Each of these shares is entitled to one vote.

The sale price is US\$ 26.8 million, and APSA will grant to Banco Hipotecario the contractual indemnities that are usual in this type of transaction. The first installment of the purchase price, in the amount of US\$ 5.4 million, was paid on December 29, 2009 and the remaining balance of US\$21.4 million will be paid five business days after the date on which the Central Bank of Argentina notifies the parties of its approval of the transaction.

In compliance with the regulations of the Argentine Securities Commission (CNV) and currently applicable statutory provisions, APSA's Audit Committee had been required to render an opinion as to whether the terms and conditions of this transaction may be reasonably considered to be arm's length. In this context and based on the independent valuation of a third-party firm of the market value of Tarshop's total share capital, APSA's Audit Committee concluded that the value agreed in the mentioned transaction is consistent with the value that could be agreed in the market between independent parties. It must be noted that the transaction herein discussed is still subject to the authorization of the Central Bank of Argentina.

Signing of Letter of Intent. On June 30, 2009, APSA signed a Letter of Intent with an unrelated party to purchase a 10,022 square meter property in the City of Paraná, Province of Entre Rios, Argentina. APSA intends to construct a shopping center on the site. The purchase price amounts to US\$ 0.5 million. In July 2009, APSA paid US\$ 0.05 million in advance to secure APSA's right of first offer through November 27, 2009 when the Letter of Intent expires.

Purchase of Shares Arcos Gourmet S.A. On November 27, 2009 our subsidiary APSA has acquired 7,916,488 non endorsable, registered common shares, with a face value of Ps. 1 each and with 1 voting right per share, representing 80% of the capital stock of Arcos del Gourmet S.A. (herein after "Arcos").

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Arcos is the holder of a concession granted by ONABE (the Federal Organism of Properties Management, currently the Rail Infrastructure Administration ADIF -) by which APSA has the right to exploit a site with a surface of approximately 5,813 square meters and the related parking lot with a surface of approximately 28,881 square meters.

The agreed price for the shares acquired by us is the following: 1) US\$ 4.3 million corresponding to the 40% of the shares of Arcos; 2) for the remaining 40% of the shares the price was settled in: 2.a) a fixed amount of US\$ 0.8 million with plus 2.b) 20% of the investment necessary to develop the project as it is explained as follows.

The price indicated in 1) above, was accorded to be paid as follows: the sum of US\$ 0.3 million was already paid; the sum of US\$ 2.0 million was paid at the time of the signature of the share purchase agreement and the remaining balance will be paid in two annual equal installments, which will mature on November 27, 2010 and November 27, 2011, respectively. Regarding the portion of the price indicated in 2.a) above, the sum of US\$ 0.3 million was already paid and the sum of US\$ 0.5 million will be paid when the meeting of shareholders approving the increase in Arcos capital in US\$ 2.7 million is held. The portion of the price indicated in 2.b) will be paid by us at the time of the eventual capital increases necessary to the development of the project, which must be approved by the respective authorities and in accordance with that agreed by the respective parties, through the limit of US\$ 6.9 million. In this latter case, APSA must pay in such way that the sellers can be paid in the 20% of those increases that they will subscribe.

Approval of the payment of a bonus to the management of our subsidiary APSA. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009 of our subsidiary APSA, approved to delegate to the Board of Directors the power to distribute among the management of APSA up to 1% of the outstanding capital stock in cash, in kind or a combination of both methods, and the allocation thereof and timely implementation of such distribution.

Approval of dividend distribution of our subsidiary APSA. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009 of our subsidiary APSA, approved the distribution of cash dividends for Ps. 56.0 million. The dividend was paid on November 17, 2009, to the holders of record on November 16, 2009. The dividends amounted to Ps. 0.07160537332 per share of a nominal value Ps. 0.10 and Ps. 2.8642149326 per ADR.

Increase of Global Note Program of our subsidiary APSA. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009 approved to increase the amount of the global program for the issuance of negotiable obligations for up to an additional amount of US\$ 200 million.

Creation of Global Program of Short-term Debt Securities of our subsidiary APSA. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009 of our subsidiary APSA, approved the creation of a global program for the issuance of short-term debt securities in the form of simple negotiable obligations, not convertible into shares, denominated in Pesos, US Dollars or any other currency, secured by a common, special, floating and/or any other type of guarantee, including third-party guarantees, subordinated or not, for a maximum outstanding amount that at no time shall exceed the equivalent in Argentine Pesos or in other currencies of US\$ 50 million.

Issuance of APSA's Series III and Series IV Notes. On November 13, 2009, APSA issued Notes for a total amount of Ps. 80.8 million under its Global Note Program for a principal amount of up to US\$ 200.0 million, as follows:

Series III Notes, for an amount of Ps. 55.8 million falling due 18 months after the date of issuance, accruing interest at a variable Badlar Private rate plus a 3% spread, payable every three months in arrears. Principal of Series III Notes will be paid in a single installment 18 months after the date of issuance.

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Series IV Notes, for a Dollar principal amount of US\$ 6.6 million equivalent to Ps. 25.0 million, falling due 18 months after the date of issuance, accruing interest at a fixed rate on principal in United States Dollars of 6.75%, payable every three months in arrears. Principal of Series IV Notes will be paid in a single installment 18 months after the date of issuance.

The use of proceeds of both series was the refinancing or prepayment of short term debt and working capital in Argentina.

Merger of Comercializadora Los Altos with Fibesa. As subsequent event, Comercializadora Los Altos has subscribed a prior commitment of merge with its controlled Company Fibesa.

Merger of our subsidiary APSA with Shopping Alto Palermo S.A. As subsequent event, APSA has subscribed a prior commitment of merge with its controlled company Shopping Alto Palermo S.A. (SAPSA). The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting adjourned for November 27, 2009, approved the reorganization process and documentation submitted to the shareholders.

Capital Increase in Tarshop. During the second quarter of fiscal year 2009, our subsidiary APSA has provided financial assistance to Tarshop for Ps. 105.0 million then accepted as irrevocable capital contributions. This measure was adopted to strengthen its financial position, meet operating expenses and reposition Tarshop on the market, considering the complex situation that presented the securitized receivables market, its historical source of financing. The capitalization of such irrevocable capital contributions was decided by Tarshop's Extraordinary Shareholders Meeting held on October 30, 2009. After this capitalization, the interest in such company stands at 98.6%.

Financial and capital markets situation. As from the last months of 2008, the world's principal financial markets have suffered the impact of volatility conditions as well as lack of liquidity, credit and uncertainty. Consequently, stock market prices showed a significant decline worldwide together with an evident economic slowdown. In the recent months, worldwide markets have experienced some signs of recovery. However, there can be no assurance as to the timing and extent of recovery of the international capital markets and its impact on the market value of financial instruments, particularly equity and debt instruments.

As far as the impact in Argentina is concerned, stock markets also showed a pronounced downward trend in the price of equity and debt instruments, as well as increases in interest rates, country risk and foreign exchange rates. In line with international trends, the values of financial instruments, including instruments issued by the Argentine Government, recently started to recover.

Since the beginning of the crisis, our management has closely evaluated and monitored the effects of the liquidity crisis to take all corrective actions as necessary aimed at protecting the net equity.

During the worst crisis months, the Company experienced declines in its stock price. Recently, its stock price recovered. Management believes that the declines were reflective of the increased risk perception in the market and were not related to the business fundamentals and operating performance of the Company.

The stability of the Company's shopping centers and office and other rental properties tenants (measured by the levels of revenues and occupancy as well as the delinquency or uncollectibility rates) as well as the market value of the Company's properties has not been significantly affected by the credit crisis.

Notwithstanding the above, for the year ended June 30, 2009, the Company recorded negative working capital of Ps. 83.0 million. Moreover, cash flows from operations decreased Ps. 20.6 million as compared on a year-to-year basis. These indicators were mainly affected by the performance of the consumer financing business segment, as further described below.

All other segments of the Company remained positive as shown in Note 6 of our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements.

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The consumer financing business segment was significantly affected by the credit crisis. This segment includes the origination of consumer loans and credit card receivables and securitization activities. Consumer loan and credit card receivables arise primarily under open-end revolving credit accounts used to finance purchases of goods and services offered by APSA's shopping centers, hypermarkets and street stores, and financing and lending activities through APSA's subsidiary Tarshop. These accounts have various billing and payment structures, including varying minimum payment levels and finance charge rates. Tarshop provides an allowance for uncollectible accounts based on impaired accounts, historical charge-off patterns and management judgment.

Due to the credit crisis and other conditions which worsened as from September 30, 2008, some customers experienced delays in payments increasing uncollectibility and delinquency rates. Tarshop monitored and evaluated all available evidence and increased the level of the allowance for doubtful accounts from Ps. 66.4 million as of June 30, 2008 to Ps. 79.1 million as of June 30, 2009. However, in light with the gradual recovery of the markets, uncollectibility and delinquency rates slightly improved for the three-month period ended September 30, 2009. However, there can be no assurance that this trend will continue. Tarshop is closely monitoring the delays, delinquency and uncollectibility rates and will adjust the reserves and take corrective actions as necessary.

For the year ended June 30, 2009, the consumer financing segment contributed a net loss of Ps. 48.6 million to the consolidated results of operations of the Company, as compared to Ps. 8.5 million loss for the year ended June 30, 2008. However, for the three month period ended September 30, 2009, the consumer financing segment generated a net gain based mainly on the recovery of delinquency rates and decrease of variable interest rates of retained interests in securitized receivables.

As part of APSA's protective and corrective measures, APSA took certain actions to enhance Tarshop's capital base. Accordingly, APSA contributed Ps. 165 million in additional financial support and increased its equity interest in Tarshop from 80% to 98.6%.

In addition, Tarshop took other actions, as appropriate from streamlining operations to closing redundant stores to revising and making credit criteria more stringent reducing its total loan portfolio (including the securitized fraction) from Ps. 934.9 million as of June 30, 2008 to Ps. 612.5 million as of June 30, 2009. Some of these measures were (i) structure redesigning of distribution channels, (ii) changes in cash loans and financing plans at stores and (iii) renegotiation of terms and conditions with member stores.

The securitization market remains open and Tarshop completed securitization programs during the recent months with no disruptions. As of June 30, 2009, Tarshop's credit risk exposure is contractually limited to the subordinated retained interests representing Ps. 147.0 million and Ps. 7.8 million escrow reserves for losses.

Due to the factors mentioned above, as of June 30, 2009, Tarshop recorded allowance for impairment of CPs of Ps. 12.1 million to the retained interests to reflect current fair value. For the three months period ended September 30, 2009, no additional impairment charge related to the retained interests in securitized receivables was necessary. Tarshop is closely monitoring the values of the retained interests and will adjust them as necessary.

On the other hand, as discussed in Note 2.g.A.2, of our Financial Statements, we increased our equity investment in Banco Hipotecario from 11.76% as of June 30, 2008 to 21.34% (without considering treasury shares) as of June 30, 2009.

Banco Hipotecario recorded losses of Ps. 28.4 million and Ps. 91.0 million for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The losses for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 were primarily due to the decline in the market value of the Argentine government bonds held in the bank's portfolio. Despite these losses, Banco Hipotecario remained well-capitalized in compliance with regulatory guidelines.

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However, Banco Hipotecario recorded a net gain of Ps. 253.6 million for the three months period ended September 30, 2009, reflecting the gradual recovery of market value of financial instruments, mainly Argentine government bonds.

Moreover, Banco Hipotecario has also experienced a significant decline in its stock price since the credit crisis although it started to recover value in recent months. Management believes that this decline does not reflect the current operating performance of Banco Hipotecario.

In our evaluation process, we considered several factors including, but not limited to, the following (1) the reasons for the decline in value (whether it is credit event, interest or market related); (2) our ability and intent to hold the equity investment for a sufficient period of time to allow for recovery of value; (3) whether the decline is substantial for us; (4) the historical and anticipated duration of the events causing the decline in value and (5) the major fundamentals underlying Banco Hipotecario's business.

The evaluation of other-than-temporary impairments is a quantitative and qualitative process, which is subject to various risks and uncertainties. As of the date of these financial statements, management believes that these declines are temporary and will continue to monitor market conditions and determine if any impairment to the carrying value of the investment is necessary.

B. Business Overview

Operations and principal activities

We are one of Argentina's leading real estate companies in terms of total assets. We are engaged, directly and indirectly through subsidiaries and joint ventures, in a range of diversified real estate related activities, including:

the acquisition, development and operation of shopping centers,

the origination, securitization and management of credit card receivables,

the acquisition and development of residential properties and undeveloped land reserves for future development and sale,

the acquisition, development and operation of office and other non-shopping center properties primarily for rental purposes, and

the acquisition and operation of luxury hotels.

As of June 30, 2008 and 2009, we had total assets of Ps. 4,472.0 million and Ps. 4,936.0 million, respectively, and a shareholders' equity of Ps. 1,924.2 million and Ps. 2,095.7 million, respectively. Our net income for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2008, and 2009 was Ps. 107.1 million, Ps. 54.9 million, and Ps. 158.6 million, respectively. We are the only Argentine real estate company whose shares are listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and whose GDSs are listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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	Revenues for fiscal years ended June 30, (1)		
	2007	2008	2009
	(in thousands of Pesos)		
Offices and other non-shopping center leased properties:			
City of Buenos Aires	56,442	100,384	147,142
Buenos Aires Province	651	605	607
Subtotal Offices and other non-shopping center leased properties	57,093	100,989	147,749
Shopping Centers and Consumer Financing Operations:			
City of Buenos Aires	407,294	532,020	514,353
Buenos Aires Province	31,249	39,958	47,488
Salta Province	6,635	9,598	10,838
Santa Fe Province	15,464	20,040	24,141
Mendoza Province	18,779	24,232	25,478
Córdoba Province	3,810	10,577	11,263
Subtotal Shopping Centers and Credit Card Operations	483,231	636,425	633,561
Sales and Developments:			
City of Buenos Aires	74,536	189,296	262,709
Buenos Aires Province	1,124	4,030	9,980
Córdoba Province	91	57	29
Santa Fe Province		3,428	7,644
Subtotal Sales and Developments	75,751	196,811	280,362
Hotels:			
City of Buenos Aires	74,601	92,043	98,427
Rio Negro Province	48,080	56,804	60,486
Subtotal Hotels	122,681	148,847	158,913
Total The City of Buenos Aires	612,873	913,743	1,022,630
Total Buenos Aires Province	33,024	44,593	58,075
Total Rio Negro Province	48,080	56,804	60,486
Total Santa Fe Province	15,464	23,468	31,785
Total Salta Province	6,635	9,598	10,838
Total Córdoba Province	3,901	10,634	11,292
Total Mendoza Province	18,779	24,232	25,478
Total	738,756	1,083,072	1,220,584

(1) Revenues do not include our income from Financial operations and others segment.

Shopping centers. We are engaged in purchasing, developing and managing shopping centers through our subsidiary APSA. APSA operates and owns majority interests in eleven shopping centers, seven of which are located in the Buenos Aires metropolitan area, and the other four are located in the cities of Mendoza, Rosario, Córdoba and Salta. Our Shopping centers segment had assets of Ps.1,705.0 million and Ps. 2,020.7 million as of June 30, 2008 and 2009 respectively, representing 38.1% and 40.9%, respectively, of its consolidated assets at such dates, and generated operating income of Ps. 124.8 million, Ps.182.3 million and Ps. 214.9 million during years 2008 and 2009 respectively, representing 71.5% and 72.7%, respectively, of our consolidated operating income for such years.

Consumer Financing. We are engaged in the consumer financing business through our majority-owned subsidiary, Tarshop. Tarshop's credit card operations consist primarily of lending and servicing activities relating to the credit card products it offers to consumers at shopping centers, hypermarkets and street stores. We finance a substantial part of our credit card advances through securitization of the receivables underlying the accounts it originates. Our revenues from credit card operations are derived from interest income generated by financing and lending activities, merchants' fees, insurance charges for life and disability insurance, and fees for data processing and other services. Our consumer financing segment had assets of Ps. 134.1 million and Ps. 174.9 million as of June 30, 2008 and 2009 respectively, representing 3.0% and 3.5%, respectively, of our consolidated assets at such dates and generated an operating income of Ps. 32.6 million and an operating loss of Ps. 17.7 million and an operating loss of Ps. 125.4 million during years 2007, 2008 and 2009, respectively, representing (16.4)% (6.9)% and

(42.4)%, respectively, of our consolidated operating income for such years.

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Development and sale of properties. The acquisition and development of residential apartment complexes and residential communities for sale is another of our core activities. Our development of residential apartment complexes consists of the construction of high-rise towers or the conversion and renovation of existing structures, such as factories and warehouses. In residential communities, we acquire vacant land, develop infrastructure such as roads, utilities and common areas, and sell plots of land for construction of single-family homes. Our Development and Sale of Properties segment had assets of Ps.462.9 million and Ps. 507.8 million as of June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively, representing 10.4% and 10.3%, respectively, of our consolidated assets at such dates, and generated operating income of Ps.6.2 million, Ps.19.3 million and Ps. 121.2 million during years 2007, 2008 and 2009, respectively, representing 3.1%, 7.6% and 41.0%, respectively, of our consolidated operating income for such years.

Office and other non-shopping center rental properties. In December 1995, we launched our office rental business by acquiring three prime office towers in Buenos Aires: Libertador 498, Maipú 1300 and Madero 1020. As of June 30, 2009, we, directly and indirectly, owned a significant interest in office buildings in Argentina that in the aggregate represented 156,000 square meters of gross leasable area. Our Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment had assets of Ps.1,056.5 million and Ps. 1,014.9 million as of June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively, representing 23.6% and 20.6%, respectively, of our consolidated assets at such dates, and generated operating income of Ps.20.2 million, Ps.52.9 million and Ps. 76.5 million during years 2007, 2008 and 2009 fiscal years, respectively, representing, 10.2% 20.8% and 25.9%, respectively, of our consolidated operating income for such years.

Hotel operations. In 1997, we acquired the Hotel Llao Llao and an indirect controlling interest in the Hotel Intercontinental in Buenos Aires . In March 1998, we acquired the Hotel Sheraton Libertador in Buenos Aires and later, we sold a 20% interest to an affiliate of Hoteles Sheraton and during the fiscal year 2000, we sold 50% of our interest in the Hotel Llao Llao to the Sutton Group. Our Hotel operations segment, which consists of these three hotels, had assets of Ps. 252.0 million and Ps. 246.4 million as of June 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively, representing 5.6% and 5.0%, respectively, of our consolidated assets at such dates, and generated income of Ps. 17.7 million Ps.18.0 million and Ps. 8.6 million during years 2007, 2008 and 2009, representing 7.4 %, 7.1% and 2.9%, respectively, of our consolidated operating income for such years.

Financial Operations and other. As of June 30, 2009, we owned 21.34% of Banco Hipotecario, Argentina's leading mortgage lender. We acquired 2.9% of Banco Hipotecario for Ps.30.2 million when it was privatized in 1999. During 2003 and 2004, we increased our investment in Banco Hipotecario to 11.8% by acquiring additional shares, and by acquiring and exercising warrants, for an aggregate purchase price of Ps.33.4 million. In May 2004, we sold Class D shares representing 1.9% of Banco Hipotecario to IFISA, for Ps.6.0 million, generating a loss of Ps.1.6 million. During fiscal year 2009, we and our subsidiaries increased our interest in Banco Hipotecario by acquiring 143,627,987 shares representative of 9.58% of its capital stock for Ps. 107.5 million, equivalent to a 21.34% (without considering treasury shares) investment in Banco Hipotecario held in the form of Class D shares, which are currently entitled to three votes per share, affording it the right to vote 33.30% of the total votes that can be cast at Banco Hipotecario's shareholders' meetings. As of June 30, 2009, our investment in Banco Hipotecario represented 10.9% of our consolidated assets, and during our fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009, this investment generated income for Ps.47.0 million, Ps.41.4 million, losses for Ps. 12.4 million, and income for Ps. 142.1 million, respectively.

Business Strategy

We seek to take advantage of our position as a leading company in Argentina dedicated to owning, developing and managing real estate. Our business strategy seek to (i) generate stable cash flows through the operation of our real estate rental assets (shopping centers, office buildings, hotels), (ii) achieve long-term appreciation of our asset portfolio by taking advantage of development opportunities, and (iii) increase the productivity of land reserves and enhance the margins of our sales and developments segment through , the organization of partnerships with other developers.

Without considering treasury shares.

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Shopping centers. In recent years, the Argentine shopping center industry has benefited from improved macroeconomic conditions and a significant expansion in consumer credit. We believe that the Argentine shopping center sector offers attractive prospects for long-term growth due to, among other factors, a continuing evolution of consumer preferences in favor of shopping malls (away from small neighborhood shops) and a level of shopping center penetration that we consider low compared to many developed countries. We seek to improve our leading position in the shopping center industry in Argentina by means of the generation of a sustainable growth in cash flow and the increase in the long-term value of our property assets. Our core operating strategy is to maximize revenue growth and profitability from our shopping centers. We maintain our leadership by developing new shopping centers in urban areas with attractive prospects for growth, including in the Buenos Aires metropolitan area, Argentine provincial cities, and possibly elsewhere in Latin America.

Consumer financing. We have developed a consumer financing business through Tarshop, our controlled subsidiary. Tarshop's operations consist primarily of lending and servicing activities relating to the credit card products we offer to consumers at shopping centers, hypermarkets and street stores.

Development and sale of properties. During the economic crisis in Argentina in 2001 and 2002, a scarcity of mortgage financing restrained growth in middle class home purchases. As a result, in recent years, we focused on projects for affluent individuals who did not need to finance their home purchases, by concentrating on the development of residential properties for medium- and high-income individuals. In urban areas, we seek to purchase undeveloped properties in densely-populated areas and build apartment complexes offering greenspace for recreational activities. In suburban areas, we seek to develop residential communities by acquiring undeveloped properties with convenient access to Buenos Aires, developing roads and other basic infrastructure such as power and water, and then selling lots for the construction of residential units. During fiscal year 2008, we entered into a partnership with Cyrela Empreendimentos e Participações, a leading Brazilian residential real estate developer, to penetrate in other market segments left unattended until now. IRSA-CYRELA will develop residential real estate projects in Argentina for purposes of increasing our presence in this business by offering financing to our customers.

Office and other non- shopping center properties. During the Argentine economic crisis in 2001 and 2002, little new investment was made in high-quality office buildings in Buenos Aires and, as a result, we believe there is currently substantial demand for desirable office space in Buenos Aires. We seek to purchase, develop and operate premium office buildings in strategically-located business districts in the City of Buenos Aires and other locations that we believe offer potential for rental income and long-term capital gain. We expect to continue our focus on attracting premium corporate tenants to our office buildings and will consider opportunities to acquire existing properties or construct new buildings depending on the location and circumstances.

Hotel operations. We believe our portfolio of three luxury hotels is positioned to take advantage of future growth in tourism and business travel in Argentina. Our strategy has been to invest in high-quality properties which are operated by leading international hotel companies to capitalize on our operating experience and international reputation. The aggregate number of rooms that we have in Hotel Sheraton Libertador, Hotel Llao Llao and Hotel Inter Continental is 710. In December, 2007 we inaugurated 43 new suites in the Hotel Llao Llao in Bariloche, Argentina. To keep a high service level in the Hotel Sheraton Libertador and Hotel Intercontinental we have remodeled in the past and may continue making improvements in the future.

Financial Operations and others. Banco Hipotecario is a full-service commercial bank offering a wide variety of banking activities and related financial services to individuals, small- and medium-sized companies and large corporations. Among these services, mortgage loans stand out as Banco Hipotecario a leader in this segment in Argentina. Since 1999, Banco Hipotecario's shares have been listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, and since 2006 it has obtained the Level 1 ADR program of the Bank of New York. We believe that our 21.34% investment in Banco Hipotecario (without considering treasury shares) has attractive prospects for long-term appreciation. Unlike other countries, Argentina has a low level of mortgages outstanding, measured in terms of GDP; accordingly, a significant potential growth is expected for this sector in the future.

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Land reserves. We continuously seek to acquire undeveloped land at locations we consider attractive inside and outside Buenos Aires. In all cases, our intention is to purchase land with significant development or appreciation potential for subsequent sale. We believe that holding a portfolio of desirable undeveloped parcels of land enhances our ability to make strategic long-term investments and affords us a valuable pipeline of new development projects for upcoming years.

International. In the past, we had made significant real estate investments outside of Argentina, including investments in Brazil Realty S.A. in Brazil and Fondo de Valores Inmobiliarios in Venezuela which we disposed of in 2002 and 2001, respectively. Pursuant to our business strategy, the Company will make future real estate investments in Argentina and abroad as long as it identifies attractive investment and development opportunities.

In July 2008 we acquired 30% of Metropolitan 885 (whose main asset is an office building in the City of New York located on the Third Avenue between 53rd and 54th streets, in the District of Manhattan. In addition to the building, the acquired company includes the debt associated with such asset.

Shopping Centers

Overview

We are engaged in the ownership, acquisition, development, leasing, management and operation of shopping centers through our subsidiary APSA. As of June 30, 2009, APSA owned a majority interests, and operated, a portfolio of eleven shopping centers, of which six are located in the City of Buenos Aires (Abasto, Paseo Alcorta, Alto Palermo, Patio Bullrich, Buenos Aires Design and Dot Baires Shopping), one is located in the greater Buenos Aires metropolitan area (Alto Avellaneda) and the remaining shopping centers are located in different Argentine provinces (Alto Noa in the City of Salta, Alto Rosario in the City of Rosario, Mendoza Plaza in the City of Mendoza and Córdoba Shopping Villa Cabrera in the City of Córdoba).

As of June 30, 2009, we owned 63.3% of APSA and Parque Arauco S.A. owned 29.6%. The remaining shares are held by the investor public and traded on the *Bolsa de Comercio de Buenos Aires* and the related ADSs are listed and traded on the Nasdaq National Market (USA) under the symbol APSA. In addition, as of June 30, 2009, IRSA owned US\$31.7 million of APSA's convertible notes due July 2014. If IRSA, and all the other holders of such convertible notes were to exercise their options to convert the convertible notes into shares of APSA's common stock, its shareholding in APSA would increase to 65.9% of its fully diluted capital.

As of June 30, 2009, APSA's shopping centers comprised a total of 287,542 square meters of gross leaseable area (excluding certain space occupied by hypermarkets which are not APSA's tenants). For the period ended June 30, 2009, the average occupancy rate of APSA's shopping center portfolio was approximately 98.6%.

As a result of our acquisition of several shopping centers, we have centralized management of our shopping centers in APSA, which is responsible for providing common area electrical power, a main telephone switchboard, central air conditioning and other basic common area services.

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The following table shows certain information concerning our subsidiary s APSA shopping centers as of June 30, 2009:

Shopping Centers

	Date of Acquisition	Gross Leaseable Area sqm (1)	APSA s Effective Interest (3)	Occupancy rate (2)	Cumulative Rental Income For the fiscal years as of June 30 (in thousands of Ps.) (4)			Book Value (in thousands of Ps.) (5)
					2009	2008	2007	
Shopping Centers (6)								
Dot Baires Shopping (7)	12/01/06	49,731	80.0%	99.9%	8,499			557,852
Abasto (8)	07/17/94	37,604	100.0%	99.8%	77,773	69,639	56,380	172,586
Alto Palermo	11/23/97	18,635	100.0%	100.0%	82,450	69,847	57,345	156,665
Patio Bullrich	10/01/98	11,741	100.0%	99.6%	31,537	28,864	25,368	96,903
Mendoza Plaza Shopping	12/02/04	41,118	100.0%	96.8%	25,478	24,232	18,779	85,294
Alto Avellaneda	11/23/97	37,298	100.0%	100.0%	47,488	39,958	31,249	84,624
Alto Rosario Shopping (8)	11/09/04	28,640	100.0%	95.0%	24,141	20,040	15,464	79,436
Paseo Alcorta	06/06/97	14,385	100.0%	97.9%	39,067	37,293	31,241	74,020
Córdoba Shopping Villa Cabrera	12/31/06	15,789	100.0%	96.4%	11,262	10,577	3,810	69,195
Alto Noa	03/29/95	18,851	100.0%	99.9%	10,838	9,598	6,635	23,081
Project Neuquén (9)	07/06/99	N/A	94.6%	N/A				12,127
Buenos Aires Design	11/18/97	13,750	53.7%	98.8%	12,965	12,020	10,359	11,306
Fibesa and others (10)		N/A	100.0%	N/A	16,431	21,402	13,636	
Comercializadora Los Altos S.A.		N/A	100.0%	N/A	8,804	1,925		
TOTAL SHOPPING CENTERS		287,542	94.9%	98.5%	396,733	345,395	270,266	1,423,089

(1) Total leaseable area in each property. Excludes common areas and parking spaces.

(2) Calculated dividing occupied square meters by leaseable.

(3) Effective interest of APSA in each business unit. We have a 63.34% in APSA.

(4) Represents the total leases consolidated by application of the RT21 method.

(5) Cost of acquisition plus improvements, less accumulated depreciation, plus adjustment for inflation, less allowance for impairment in value, plus recovery of allowances if applicable.

(6) Owned through Alto Palermo S.A.

(7) On May 13, 2009, a shopping center, a hypermarket and a movie theater complex were opened. Still pending is the completion of an office and/or residential building.

(8) Excludes Museo de los Niños. (Abasto 3,732m²; Rosario 1,260m²)

(9) Land for the development of a Shopping Center.

(10) Includes revenues from Fibesa S.A. and others.

Tenant Retail Sales

The following table sets forth the total approximate tenant retail sales in Pesos at the shopping centers in which APSA had an interest for the periods shown below:

	Fiscal year ended June 30, (1)		
	2007 Ps.	2008 Ps.	2009 Ps.
Abasto	573,814,588	720,398,373	774,496,092

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Alto Palermo	502,220,444	631,821,667	745,008,569
Alto Avellaneda	418,349,117	560,693,754	696,502,305
Paseo Alcorta	321,948,304	385,515,939	374,756,633
Patio Bullrich	226,200,714	271,411,516	274,923,406
Alto Noa	130,318,508	173,998,891	211,353,264
Buenos Aires Design	110,722,931	132,952,563	129,072,350
Mendoza Plaza	337,757,597	433,394,266	436,599,085
Alto Rosario	204,430,069	271,331,827	318,443,541
Cordoba Shopping Villa Cabrera (3)	N/A	120,827,838	133,526,649
Dot Baires Shopping	N/A	N/A	99,478,084
Total retail sales (2)	2,825,762,272	3,702,346,634	4,194,159,978

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Notes:

- (1) Retail sales based upon information provided to us by retailers and prior owners. The amounts shown reflect 100% of the retail sales of each shopping center, although in certain cases APSA owns less than 100% of such shopping centers.
- (2) Excludes sales from the booths and spaces used for special exhibitions.
- (3) Sales between January and June 2007 amounted to Ps. 44,736,781

Lease Expirations

The following table shows a schedule of estimated lease expirations for our shopping center for leases in effect as of June 30, 2009, assuming that none of the tenants exercise renewal options or terminate their lease early.

Lease Expirations as of June 30 ⁽³⁾ ,	Number of Leases		Square Meters Subject to		Annual Agreements to Expire (1) (Ps.)	Percentage of Agreements to Expire (%)
	Agreement Expiration	Expiring Leases (sqm)	Percentage of Leases to Expire (%)			
2010	543	91,548	32%		73,730,303	32%
2011	331	42,251	15%		54,185,002	23%
2012	294	37,483	13%		52,686,545	23%
2013 and subsequent years	196	116,260	40%		52,314,176	22%
Total (2)	1,364	287,542	100%		232,916,026	100%

- (1) Includes only the basic rental income amount. Does not give effect to APSA's ownership interest.
- (2) Includes stores which contracts have not been renewed yet and vacant stores at June 30, 2009.
- (3) Even though the leases are cancelable by law, we consider them to be non-cancelable for this purposes. See *note 29.1.t.2 to our Consolidated Financial Statements* for more information as to how we consider this definition.

Occupancy Rate

The following table sets forth the occupancy rate of expressed as a percentage of gross leasable area as of dates stated below:

	Occupancy Rate		
	Fiscal year ended		
	2009	2008	2007
	June 30,		
	(%)	(%)	(%)
Abasto	99.8	99.6	97.0
Alto Palermo Shopping	100.0	100.0	99.6
Alto Avellaneda	100.0	99.8	95.0
Paseo Alcorta	97.9	99.5	99.0
Patio Bullrich	99.6	100.0	100.0
Alto Noa	99.9	100.0	100.0
Buenos Aires Design	98.8	100.0	100.0
Alto Rosario	95.0	99.2	93.4

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Mendoza Plaza Shopping	96.8	97.7	95.9
Córdoba Shopping Villa Cabrera (1)	96.4	97.2	
Dot Baires Shopping	99.9		
Total average	98.6	99.3	97.8

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(1) The occupancy percentage between January and June 2007 amounted to 99.0%

Rental Price

The following table shows the average rental price per square meter per year/period for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007:

	Annual Average Revenue per square meter		
	Fiscal year ended June 30, (1):		
	2009	2008	2007
	(Ps./m2)	(Ps./m2)	(Ps./m2)
Abasto de Buenos Aires	1,711	1,437	1,273
Alto Palermo Shopping	3,581	3,058	2,925
Alto Avellaneda (2)	1,156	972	1,100
Paseo Alcorta	2,409	2,314	2,074
Patio Bullrich	2,255	2,096	2,051
Alto Noa	503	461	344
Buenos Aires Design	731	673	634
Alto Rosario	747	609	484
Mendoza Plaza Shopping	547	537	456
Córdoba Shopping Villa Cabrera (3)(5)	591	558	N/A
Dot Baires Shopping (4)	1,162	N/A	N/A

- (1) The annual rental price per gross leasable meter reflects basic and supplementary rental charges as well as revenues from admission rights divided by the square meters of the gross leasable area.
- (2) The decrease in revenues per square meter in fiscal 2008 at Alto Avellaneda is due to the inclusion of 11,600 sqm belonging to Falabella.
- (3) The values for 2008 were modified on the basis of the movie theaters' surface areas.
- (4) The values corresponding to Dot have been adjusted and annualized as the actual figures reflect only one month and 19 days.
- (5) The average price of the leases between January and June 2007, was Ps. 469.7.

Depreciation

The net book value of the properties has been determined using the straight-line method of depreciation calculated over the useful life of the property. For more information, see APSA's Audited Consolidated Financial Statements, as filed with Argentine Securities Commission (CNV).

Principal Terms of Alto Palermo's Leases

Under Argentine Law, terms of commercial leases must be between three to ten years, with most leases in the shopping center business having terms of no more than five years. APSA's lease agreements are generally denominated in Pesos.

Decree No. 214/2002 and Decree No. 762/2002, which modify Public Emergency Law No. 25,561, determine that duties to turn over sums of money which are denominated in U.S. dollars and which are not related to the financial system as of January 7, 2002 are subject to the following:

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obligations will have to be paid in Pesos at a rate of Ps.1.00 = US\$1.00. Additionally, these obligations are subject to inflation adjustment through the CER index;

if, as a consequence of this adjustment, the agreement is unfair to any of the parties, as long as the party that has the obligation to pay is not overdue and the adjustment is applicable,

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either may ask the other for a fairness adjustment. If they do not reach an agreement, a court will make the decision in order to preserve the continuity of the contract relation in a fair way; and

new lease agreements may be freely entered into between parties, even U.S. dollar denominated lease agreements.

Leasable space in APSA's shopping centers is marketed through an exclusive arrangement with APSA's real estate brokers Fibesa S.A. and Comercializadora Los Altos S.A., the latter being solely in charge of the marketing of Dot Baires Shopping. APSA has a standard lease agreement, the terms and conditions of which are described below, which APSA use for most tenants. However, APSA's largest tenants generally negotiate better terms for their respective leases. No assurance can be given that lease terms will be as set forth in the standard lease agreement.

APSA charges its tenants a rent which consists of the higher of (i) a monthly base rent (the Base Rent) and (ii) a specified percentage of the tenant's monthly gross sales in the store (the Percentage Rent) (which generally ranges between 4% and 8% of tenant's gross sales). Furthermore, pursuant to the rent escalation clause in most leases, a tenant's Base Rent generally increases between 7% and 12% on an annual and cumulative basis as from the thirteenth (13th) month of effectiveness of the lease. Although many of APSA's lease agreements contain readjustment clauses, these are not based on an official index nor do they reflect the inflation index. In the event of litigation, there can be no assurance that APSA may be able to enforce such clauses contained in APSA's lease agreements. See Risk Factors for a more detailed discussion.

In addition to rent, APSA charge most of its tenants an admission right, which is required to be paid upon entering into a lease agreement and upon a lease agreement renewal. The admission right is normally paid in one lump sum or in a small number of monthly installments. If the tenant pays this fee in installments, it is the tenant's responsibility to pay for the balance of any such amount unpaid in the event the tenant terminates its lease prior to its expiration. In the event of unilateral termination and/or resolution for breach of duties by the tenant, a tenant will not be refunded its admission right without APSA's consent.

APSA is responsible for supplying each shopping center with the electrical power connection and provision, a main telephone switchboard, central air conditioning connection and a connection to a general fire detection system. Each rental unit is connected to these systems. APSA also provide the food court tenants with sanitation and with gas systems connections. Each tenant is responsible for completing all the necessary installations within its own rental unit, in addition absorbing the direct expenses generated by these items within each rental unit. These direct expenses generally include: electricity, water, gas, telephone and air conditioning. Tenants must also pay for a percentage of total charges and general taxes related to the maintenance of the common areas. APSA determines this percentage based on different factors. The common area expenses include, among others, administration, security, operations, maintenance, cleaning and taxes.

APSA carries out promotional and marketing activities to increase attendance to APSA's shopping centers. These activities are paid for with the tenants' contributions to the Common Promotional Fund (CPF), which is administered by APSA. Every month tenants contribute to the CPF an amount equal to approximately 15% of their rent (Base Rent plus Percentage Rent), in addition to rent and expense payments. APSA may increase the percentage that tenants must contribute to the CPF, but the increase cannot exceed 25% of the original amount set forth in the corresponding lease agreement for the contributions to the CPF. APSA may also require tenants to make extraordinary contributions to the CPF to fund special promotional and marketing campaigns or to cover the costs of special promotional events that benefit all tenants. APSA may require tenants to make these extraordinary contributions up to four times a year provided that each such extraordinary contribution may not exceed 25% of the preceding monthly rental payment of the tenant.

Each tenant leases its rental unit as a shell without any fixtures. Each tenant is responsible for the interior design of its rental unit. Any modifications and additions to the rental units must be pre-approved by APSA. APSA has the option to decide tenants' responsibility for all costs incurred in remodeling the rental units and for

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removing any additions made to the rental unit when the lease expires. Furthermore, tenants are responsible for obtaining adequate insurance for their rental units, which must include, among other things, coverage for fire, glass breakage, theft, flood, civil liability and workers compensation.

Sources of Shopping Center Revenues

Set forth below is a breakdown of the sources of shopping center revenues for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009:

	Fiscal Year ended June 30,		
	2009 (Ps.)	2008 (Ps.)	2007 (Ps.)
Fixed monthly minimum rent	196,039,212	159,140,526	129,594,156
Variable rent dependent on prices	70,883,545	73,298,452	51,872,357
Booth and kiosk rentals	31,774,087	27,144,073	21,303,064
Admission fees	47,690,439	40,275,442	34,477,499
Miscellaneous	33,275,688	31,959,152	23,012,445
Parking	17,070,274	13,577,014	9,872,453
Total rentals and services	396,733,245	345,394,659	270,131,974

Detailed Information About Each of APSA's Shopping Centers

Set forth below is a brief description of APSA's shopping center portfolio

Alto Palermo Shopping, City of Buenos Aires. Alto Palermo Shopping is a 145-store shopping center that opened in 1990 and is located in the densely populated neighborhood of Palermo in the City of Buenos Aires. Alto Palermo Shopping is located only a few minutes from downtown Buenos Aires and with nearby subway access. Alto Palermo Shopping has a total constructed area of 65,029 square meters that consists of 18,635 square meters of gross leaseable area. The shopping center has a food court with 19 stores. Alto Palermo Shopping is spread out over four levels and its parking lot may accommodate 654 cars. In the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2009, the public visiting the shopping center generated nominal retail sales totaling approximately Ps.745 million, which represents annual sales for approximately Ps. 39,979.0 per square meter. Principal tenants currently include Zara, Garbarino, Sony Style, Frávega and Just For Sport. Alto Palermo Shopping's five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 17.3% of its gross leaseable area at June 30, 2009 and approximately 9.5% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

Alto Avellaneda, Avellaneda, Greater Buenos Aires. Alto Avellaneda is a 144-store shopping center that opened in October 1995 and is located in the densely populated neighborhood known as Avellaneda, on the southern border of the City of Buenos Aires. Alto Avellaneda has a total constructed area of 108,599 square meters that includes 37,298 square meters of gross leaseable area. Alto Avellaneda has a six-screen multiplex movie theatre, a Wal-Mart megastore, an entertainment center, a bowling alley, an 18-restaurant food court and starting in April 28, 2008, it also hosts a Falabella department store. Wal-Mart (not included in the gross leaseable area) acquired the space it occupies, but it pays a share of the common expenses of Alto Avellaneda's parking lot. This shopping center offers free-of-charge parking space for 2,700 cars over an area of 47,856 square meters. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, the public visiting the shopping center generated nominal retail sales that totaled approximately Ps. 696.5 million, which represents annual revenues for approximately Ps. 18,674.0 per square meter. Principal tenants currently include Falabella, Garbarino, Frávega, Compumundo and Sport Line. Alto Avellaneda's five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 34.4% of its gross leaseable area at June 30, 2009 and approximately 21.3% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date

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Paseo Alcorta, City of Buenos Aires. Paseo Alcorta is a 111-store shopping center that opened in 1992 and is located in the residential neighborhood of Palermo Chico, one of the most exclusive areas in the City of Buenos Aires, within a short drive from downtown Buenos Aires. Paseo Alcorta has a total constructed area of approximately 87,554 square meters that consists of 14,385 square meters of gross leaseable area. The three-level shopping center includes a four-screen multiplex movie theatre, a 17-restaurant food court, a Carrefour hypermarket, and a parking lot with approximately 1,300 spaces. Carrefour purchased the space it now occupies but it pays a share of the expenses of the shopping center's parking lot. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, the public visiting the shopping center generated nominal retail sales that totaled approximately Ps. 374.8 million, which represents annual sales for approximately Ps. 26,051.9 per square meter. Principal tenants currently include Zara, Frávega, Rapsodia, Kartun and Etiqueta Negra. Paseo Alcorta's five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 14.2% of Paseo Alcorta's gross leaseable area at June 30, 2009 and approximately 8.9% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

Abasto Shopping, City of Buenos Aires. Abasto Shopping is a 173-store shopping center located in the City Buenos Aires. Abasto Shopping is directly accessible by subway, railway and highway. Abasto Shopping opened in November 1998. The principal building is a landmark building which during the period 1889 to 1984 operated as the primary fresh produce market for the City of Buenos Aires. The property was converted by our subsidiary Alto Palermo into a 116,646 square meter shopping center, with approximately 37,604 square meters of gross leaseable area (41,336 sqm if we consider also Museo de los Niños). The shopping center includes a food court with 27 stores covering an area of 8,021 square meters, a 12-screen multiplex movie theatre, entertainment facilities and the Museo de los Niños Abasto, a museum for children. Abasto Shopping is spread out over five levels and has a 1,200-car parking lot. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, the public visiting the shopping center generated nominal retail sales that totaled approximately Ps. 774.5 million, which represents annual sales for approximately Ps. 20,596.1 per square meter. Total revenues from rentals went up from approximately Ps. 70.3 million for the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2008 to Ps. 78.1 million for the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2009 which in turn represents monthly revenues per square meter of gross leaseable area equivalent to Ps. 147.8 in 2008 and Ps. 173.1 in 2009. Principal tenants currently include Garbarino, Zara, Frávega, Mc Donald's and Compumundo. Abasto Shopping Center's five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 7.2% of the annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2009.

Patio Bullrich, City of Buenos Aires. Patio Bullrich is an 85-store shopping center located in Recoleta, a popular tourist zone in City of Buenos Aires a short distance from the Caesar Park, Four Seasons and Hyatt hotels. Patio Bullrich has a total constructed area of 29,982 square meters that consists of 11,741 square meters of gross leaseable area. The four-story shopping center includes a 13-store food court, an entertainment area, a four-screen multiplex movie theatre and a parking lot with 215 spaces. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, the public visiting the shopping center generated nominal retail sales that totaled approximately Ps. 274.9 million, which represents sales for approximately Ps. 23,415.7 per square meter. Principal tenants currently include Zara, Etiqueta Negra, Rouge International La Martina and Rapsodia. Patio Bullrich's five largest tenants (in terms of sales in the shopping center) accounted for approximately 20.0% of Patio Bullrich's gross leaseable area at June 30, 2009, and approximately 15.7% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

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Alto Noa, City of Salta. Alto Noa is an 88-store shopping center located in the City of Salta, the capital of the Province of Salta. The shopping center consists of approximately 30,876 square meters of total constructed area that consists of 18,851 square meters of gross leaseable area and includes a 14-store food court, an entertainment center, a supermarket, an eight-screen movie theatre and parking facilities for 551 cars. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, the public visiting the shopping center generated nominal retail sales that totaled approximately Ps. 211.4 million, which represents annual sales for approximately Ps. 11,211.8 per square meter. Principal tenants currently include Supermercado Norte, Garbarino, Boulevard Casino, Y.P.F., and Frávega. Alto Noa's five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) represented approximately 32.9% of Alto Noa's gross leaseable area as of June 30, 2009 and approximately 16.4% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

Buenos Aires Design, City of Buenos Aires. Buenos Aires Design is a 64-store shopping center intended for specialty interior, home decorating and restaurants that opened in 1993. APSA owns Buenos Aires Design through a 53.64% interest in Emprendimientos Recoleta S.A., which owns the concession to operate the shopping center. Buenos Aires Design is located in Recoleta, one of the most popular tourist zone in Buenos Aires City. Buenos Aires Design has a total constructed area of 26,131.5 square meters that consists of 13,750 square meters of gross leaseable area and 7 restaurants. It is divided into two floors and has a 174-car parking lot. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, the public visiting the shopping center generated nominal retail sales that totaled approximately Ps. 129.1 million, which represents annual sales for approximately Ps. 9,387.1 per square meter. Principal tenants currently include Morph, Hard Rock Café, Barugel Azulay, Bazar Geo and Kalpakian. Buenos Aires Design's five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 21.7% of Buenos Aires Design's gross leaseable area as of June 30, 2009 and 18.9% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

Alto Rosario, City of Rosario. Alto Rosario is a shopping center of 145 stores, located in City of Rosario, Province of Santa Fe. It was inaugurated in November 2004 and has 100,750 square meters of fully covered surface, and 28,640 square meters of gross leaseable area. This center is primarily devoted to clothing and entertainment and includes a food court with 17 stores, a children's entertainment area, a 14-screen cinema complex and parking lot for close to 1,736 vehicles. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, the public visiting the shopping center generated nominal retail sales that totaled approximately Ps. 318.4 million, which represents annual sales for approximately Ps. 11,118.8 per square meter. Principal tenants are Frávega, Cines Rosario, Sport 78, Red Megatone and Compumundo. Alto Rosario's five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 37.3% of Alto Rosario's gross leaseable area as of June 30, 2009 and 10.7% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

Mendoza Plaza, City of Mendoza. Mendoza Plaza is a 150store shopping center located in the City Mendoza in the Province of Mendoza. It consists of 41,118 square meters of gross leaseable area. Mendoza Plaza has a multiplex movie theatre covering an area of approximately 3,659 square meters, the Chilean department store Falabella, a food court with 22 stores, an entertainment center and a supermarket which is also a tenant. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, the public visiting the shopping center generated nominal retail sales that totaled approximately Ps. 436.6 million, which represents annual sales for approximately Ps. 10,618.2 per square meter. Principal tenants currently include Falabella, Super Plaza Veá, Garbarino, Frávega and Cines MP. Mendoza Plaza's five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 43.7% of Mendoza Plaza's gross leaseable area at June 30, 2009, and approximately 23.0% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on such date.

Córdoba Shopping, Villa Cabrera, Córdoba. Córdoba Shopping is a 106-store commercial center located in Villa Cabrera, Province of Córdoba. It covers 15,789 square meters of gross leaseable area. Córdoba Shopping has a 12-screen movie theatre complex, a food court an entertainment area and a parking lot for 1,500 vehicles. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, the public visiting the shopping center generated nominal retail sales that totaled approximately Ps. 133.5 million, which represents annual sales for approximately Ps. 8,456.9 per square meter. Principal tenants are Cines Córdoba, Mc Donald's, New Sport, Dexter and Canotier. Córdoba Shopping's five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 40.8% of Córdoba Shopping's gross leaseable area and approximately 10.6% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2009.

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Dot Baires Shopping, City of Buenos Aires. Dot Baires Shopping is a shopping center that was opened in May 2009. It has 4 floors and 3 underground levels, a covered surface area of 173,000 square meters, of which 49,731 constitute Gross Leasable Area, 153 retail stores, a hypermarket, a 10-screen multiplex movie theater and parking space for 2,200 vehicles. At June 30, 2009, APSA had an 80% ownership interest in Panamerican Mall S.A. For the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2009, the public visiting Dot Baires generated, as from its opening, nominal retail sales that totaled approximately Ps. 99.5 million, which represents annualized sales (i.e., averaging the months since the opening) for approximately Ps. 16,002.6 per square meter. The main tenants include Falabella, Wall Mart, Zara, Garbarino and Frávega. Dot Baires Shopping's five largest tenants (in terms of sales in this shopping center) accounted for approximately 46.4% of Dot Baires Shopping's gross leasable area and approximately 2.8% of its annual base rent for the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2009.

Acquisition of Soleil Factory, San Isidro, Province of Buenos Aires. On December 28, 2007, APSA entered into a preliminary agreement with INC S.A. concerning a partial conveyance of goodwill whereby APSA agreed to buy a shopping center located in San Isidro, in northern Greater Buenos Aires, called Soleil Factory. The closing of this transaction is subject to certain conditions precedent. The total price was US\$ 20.7 million, of which APSA paid US\$ 8.1 million as down payment. The balance of US\$ 12.6 million is payable in 2014. At that time, APSA signed a letter of offer for the acquisition, construction and operation of a Shopping Center in the premises owned by INC S.A. in the City of San Miguel de Tucumán, Province of Tucumán. This transaction is subordinated to certain conditions precedent, including, but not limited to, the partial acquisition from INC S.A. of the going concern formed by the Shopping Center operating in Soleil Factory.

Control Systems

APSA has computer systems to monitor tenants' sales in all of its shopping centers. APSA also conducts regular manual audits of its tenants' accounting sales records in all of our shopping centers. Almost every store in those shopping centers has a computerized cash register that is linked to a main computer server in the administrative office of such shopping center. APSA uses the information generated from the computer monitoring system for auditing the Percentage Rent to be charged to each tenant and use the statistics regarding total sales, average sales, peak sale hours, etc., for marketing purposes. The lease contracts for tenants in Alto Avellaneda, Alto Palermo, Paseo Alcorta, Patio Bullrich, Buenos Aires Design (only with respect to agreements signed after its acquisition), Abasto, Alto Rosario Shopping, Alto Noa, Empalme S.A.I.C.F.A. y G. (Empalme) and Mendoza Plaza Shopping contain a clause requiring tenants to be linked to the computer monitoring system, there being certain exemptions to this requirement.

Consumer Financing Segment

Through our subsidiary APSA we participate in the consumer financing business. APSA holds a 93.4% interest in Tarshop.

The Argentine consumer financing market revolves basically around two main instruments: credit cards and unsecured loans, both in cash and through consumption financing at retail stores. These two modalities entail the involvement of two types of entities: those regulated by the Law of Financial Institutions (Law No. 21,526) that include banks and financial institutions and unregulated institutions, such as Tarshop.

In turn, Tarshop's business structure includes (i) Credit Cards, (ii) Unsecured Loans, (iii) Consumer Financing at Retail Stores and (iv) Peripherals. As regards the Credit Card segment that does business as Tarjeta Shopping, Tarshop is responsible for issuance, processing and sales which in turn affords the company the advantage of being flexible in the design of plans that meet the needs of both target customers and the retail stores that operate with the company.

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As of June 30, 2009, Tarshop had 855,000 customer accounts, 422,000 of which posted balances, with an average outstanding amount of Ps. 1,438 per account. The total portfolio amounted to Ps. 819 million, with 59.3% being securitized through the Tarjeta Shopping Financial Trust Program.

Tarshop's current business network is made up by 22 points of sale scattered throughout the City of Buenos Aires, Greater Buenos Aires, Córdoba, Tucumán, Salta and Jujuy. As of June 30, 2009, the retail stores that accepted payments through the Tarshop credit card were more than 40,000, 41% of which post transactions on a regular basis. On the whole, more than 6.6 million transactions have been posted during the year mentioned.

In addition, Tarshop owns a 50% stake in Metroshop, with the remaining 50% being owned by Metronec S.A. Metroshop is a company engaged in the commercialization of credit cards with an embedded chip that allows automatic access to the main means of transportation and unsecured loans through an independent distribution network. Tarshop's involvement consists in processing the products commercialized by Metroshop.

From time to time APSA considers alternative strategies regarding our investment in Tarshop. In the course of fiscal year 2009, as a result of the international financial context and the complex situation of the financial trust market through which Tarshop obtains resources to fund its business the need arose for APSA to review the general and particular economic prospects of their subsidiary's business, and to take certain measures, all of them aimed at strengthening the business in the face of the prevailing economic conditions.

In this respect, APSA is currently considering alternatives to maximize the value of their investment in Tarshop, such as its potential merger with and/or sale to another entity engaged in the credit card business.

In order to face the increasing volatility in the international financial context and to provide Tarshop with a capital base in consonance with the current market conditions, in the first quarter of fiscal year 2009 APSA decided to take part in a capital increase for up to the amount of Ps. 60 million, thereby increasing its ownership interest in the company from 80% to 93.4%.

The following are some of the decisions made during fiscal year 2009:

- (i) Readjustment of the operational structure to align it to the new business scenario.
- (ii) Adjustments in plans involving both cash and Consumer Financing at retail stores.
- (iii) Changes in Loan Origination Policies.
- (iv) Reinforcement of Collection Management.
- (v) Analysis and implementation of new funding tools.
- (vi) Adjustment of the uncollectibility provisioning policies through the establishment of a criterion stricter than that suggested by the Central Bank.

During the second quarter of fiscal year 2009, APSA has provided financial assistance to Tarshop for Ps. 105.0 million then accepted as irrevocable capital contributions. This measure was adopted to strengthen its financial position, meet operating expenses and reposition Tarshop on the market, considering the complex situation that presented the securitized receivables market, its historical source of financing. The capitalization of such irrevocable capital contributions was decided by Tarshop's Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on October 30, 2009. After this capitalization, the interest in such company stands at 98.6%.

As a result of the actions implemented in fiscal year 2009, Tarshop's loan portfolio, net of write-offs and including securitized coupons as of June 30, 2009 stood at Ps. 627 million, 33.9% less than the Ps. 948 million portfolio held a year earlier.

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As regards collections, loans overdue for periods ranging from 90 to 180 days as of June 30, 2009 stood at 6.5% of the portfolio net of write-offs.

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Finally, starting in the third quarter of fiscal year 2009, a drop has been noted in losses, compared to those posted for previous periods, which can be explained by the decisions implemented and the improvement in capitalization combined with a relative stabilization in local financial markets, a drop in uncollectibility charges and a decrease in operating expenses.

The table below contains information about our consumer financing business for the relevant fiscal years:

	Fiscal year ended June 30,		
	2007	2008	2009
	(in million Ps.)		
Revenues from sales:			
Revenues from services (1)	107,727	168,256	128,023
Interest	65,663	58,479	61,390
Fees to retail stores	38,249	41,516	26,487
Other revenues from services rendered	3,292	6,444	9,770
Income/(loss) on portfolio securitization	4,527	18,371	11,813
Total revenues from sales	219,458	293,066	237,483

(1) These are revenues from: fees on the grant of loans, account maintenance and management, collections procedures, selling expenses and purchases in installments.

Purchase and credit card

Tarshop operates in this business as an issuing and financing company, as a processor of its own card trademark, and as payer to the network of stores accepting the product.

Tarjeta Shopping is accepted in over 40,000 affiliated stores, including the main supermarket, household appliances chains, and shopping centers.

Through Tarjeta Shopping, Tarshop provides a wide variety of benefits, such as exclusive discounts and promotions, financing plans in installments, cash advances in the ATM networks all over the country, balance financing through minimum payments, and it also facilitates balance payments at several collection entities, automatic teller machine networks, internet, direct debits through customers' debit cards and certainly at Tarshop's own branch network.

A differentiating element of Tarshop's competitive strategy is its ability to establish the eligibility of customers, and grant them their credit card immediately embossing plastics on the spot, at the branch, which allows the customers to have immediate use of the product.

The main channels for attracting customers are our branch offices, reinforced by booths and points of sale in our shopping centers and retail stores.

Cash loans and consumer financing at stores

Tarshop's loans business operates through two distinct modalities:

Personal loans granting cash amounts without a fixed use, called Préstamos Tarshop.

Consumer financing at stores, granting loans to individuals intending to purchase a specific good, for a fixed amount in a store, called Créditos Tarshop.

Cash loans are granted in fixed installments in pesos and the terms offered vary according to market conditions.

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Ease of access also applies to payments of installments as they can be channeled through different means, such as collections entities, networks of automatic teller machines, over the Internet, through direct debits from customers' bank accounts and through Tarshop's own branch of networks.

Créditos Tarshop are loans granted immediately, upon the customer's submittal of the relevant documents. The store submits this documentation to our processing center where, after the relevant analysis of the documents, we decide whether the credit is granted.

Créditos Tarshop constitutes a product with major potential: they turn each affiliated store into a small branch with no need for the infrastructure of a store. This modality applies mainly to stores that sell durable and semi-durable products.

Distribution Network

At present, Tarshop has 22 points of sale, including our shopping centers Alto Avellaneda, Alto Palermo, Abasto and Dot Baires, as well as storefronts in major commercial centers located in the District of Avellaneda, downtown Buenos Aires and in the cities of Lomas de Zamora, Morón, Quilmes, Liniers, Florencio Varela, San Justo, Moreno, Merlo, among others. It also has branches in the Provinces of Córdoba, Tucumán, Salta and San Salvador de Jujuy.

We have promotion booths and account representatives at Supermercados Coto in the cities of Lanús, and Temperley and Supermercado Hyper Libertad located in the city of Salta. We have strategic alliances with certain major household appliances and motorcycle stores, where purchases can be made through the Créditos Tarshop system: credit can be granted on the spot with no need for a card for making the first purchase.

Each branch is organized as an independent business unit as regards commercial matters: they handle the resources required for attaining their commercial objectives concerning invoicing and account opening.

Besides, Tarshop has its own structure of cashiers at branches for collection of account statement balances and for the automatic grant of cash loans to customers with facilities and procedures for fund management and transportation similar to those used in banks.

Loan Origination Process

The loan origination process is based on the enforcement of credit policies laid down by the Risk Committee with parameters set up in the system.

Credit assessment is a three-step process: verification and control of documents submitted and data provided by the customer, analysis of credit history in the financial market and credit limit allocation. Such information is validated by various credit bureaus.

As a part of the credit assessment process, there is the involvement of the Fraud Department in the validation of data through the enforcement of prevention policies.

The allocation of a credit limit consists in the assessment of the amount to be granted according to the level of indebtedness, income and risk score within certain parameters. The calculation of income may take into account the income of one or more members of the applicant's family group, who are required to submit evidence of the documents as a guarantee.

For existing customers, Tarshop defines limit extension policies processed by the Credit Department.

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Portfolio Analysis and Maintenance

Resorting to statistical techniques and massive information handling tools geared towards mitigating credit risk, Tarshop supervises and monitors the behavior of its customer portfolio and the various economic conditions in the market that may have an adverse bearing customers repayment duties.

Besides, Tarshop deploys strategies consisting in acquisitions, cross-selling and maintenance of its portfolio in connection with its various target segments.

Collection Process

Tarshop's collection process is carried out according to the strategy defined by its Risk Management group. It is divided into different tranches of default and it starts with preventive actions taken through a system of automatic calls to accounts deemed by Tarshop as prospectively risky.

The internal management process starts through a telephone call by the Collection Group Call Center and relies on telephone management supported by a predictive dialing device, which is simultaneously supplemented by letters and automatic messages.

This process is enhanced as account default moves forward. When internal management is unsuccessful, collection management is referred in a pre-litigation instance to external law firms hired for that purpose.

Upon expiration of the term for external pre-litigation we perform a portfolio analysis and the accounts that may be subject to judicial proceedings are grouped together. Any accounts not fulfilling the requirements to bring legal action are referred to Collection Agents who visit the defaulting customers personally at their home address.

Throughout the process the use of mitigation tools is assessed, ranging from refinancing to payment reduction settlements.

The policies for allowances for bad debts, are similar to those established by the Banco Central de la República Argentina (Central Bank of the Republic of Argentina)¹.

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Condition	Arrears (days)	%
Regular Compliance	0 to 31	1
Inadequate Compliance	32 to 90	5
Deficient Compliance	91 to 180	25
Difficult Recovery	181 to 365	50
Unrecoverable	Over 365	100

¹ The allowance for bad debts was estimated based on credit classification performed according to criteria related to debtors' obligation default levels, and according to this classification the minimum allowance criteria arising from Communication A 2729 and amendments of the Banco Central de la República Argentina have been applied. Further, the Company verifies whether the allowance raised as explained in the paragraph above is sufficient by assessing the portfolio that exhibits uncollectibility risk and based on its performance.

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The table below provides information about our loan portfolio (including the securitized fraction):

Portfolio Condition	As of June 30			
	2008 (1)		2009 (1)	
Regular Compliance (2)	779.3	83.36%	455.2	74.32%
Matured:				
31-89 days	33.2	3.55%	26.4	4.31%
90-180 days	55.5	5.94%	41.9	6.84%
181-365 days	66.9	7.16%	89.0	14.53%
Total	934.9	100.00%	612.5	100.00%
Over 365 days and under legal proceedings (3)	109.7		206.5	
Allowance for bad debts over the regular compliance portfolio as % of delinquent portfolio		46.3%		64.4%
Allowance for bad debts over the regular compliance portfolio as % of regular compliance portfolio		7.7%		16.5%

- (1) In million Pesos.
(2) Regular compliance loans, with delinquencies not in excess of 30 days.
(3) Loans covered by a bad debt allowance at 100%.

Funding

For funding, Tarshop has principally resorted to the issuance of financial trusts subject to public offering, and it has its own Trust Securitization Program under which more than 50 series have been issued.

In the course of this fiscal year, we reinforced Tarshop's financial situation through a capital increase of Ps. 60 million and irrevocable contributions for Ps. 105.0 million, which improved all of Tarshop's debt ratios and balance sheet indicators. Tarshop's shareholders' equity grew from Ps. 29.3 million as of June 30, 2008 to Ps. 100.2 million as of June 30, 2009.

As of June 30, 2009, Tarshop's own portfolio stood for 40.7% of its total portfolio whereas as of June 30, 2008 it had only stood for 22.2%.

In the course of this fiscal year, Tarshop issued trusts through the public offering system for Ps. 586.4 million.

In addition, in the course of this fiscal year, Tarshop entered into a funding agreement with Banco Itaú Argentina S.A. for Ps. 50 million for a one-year term; as of June 30, 2009 Tarshop carried bank loans for Ps. 34.6 million.

Technology

Tarshop relies on technological applications to support all business processes, from origination to account opening, issue of cards, transaction validation, loan management, customer management, generation and printing of bills, payments to affiliated stores, collections, trust management and delinquency management, to name but a few.

For the past two years, Tarshop has been implementing world-class applications that have proven to be successful all over the world, as is the case of SAP for ERP and of Avaya for comprehensive customer relationship management.

As regards the business core applications, which are maintained in-house, Tarshop deploys a strategy consisting in continuously improving its core applications based on careful supervision of the business key indicators in order to make improvements in those spots where the business needs them most. Examples of this strategy were the integration between Tarshop's core application and the collection procedure application and the telephone communications scheme which resulted in streamlined collections and better customer service. Besides, Tarshop's web-services platform was renewed, which in turn led to automating contacts with customers and affiliated stores as well as improved loan sales at retail stores.

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As regards the IT governance methodology, Tarshop is carrying out a process to re-convert the various activities in the area based on the best practices prescribed by ITIL and in compliance with SOX requirements.

Summary Financial and Other Data

The following table sets forth certain balance sheet and other data for Tarshop as of June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009:

	2007	As of June 30, 2008	2009
	(in million Ps., except percentages)		
Income Statement Data			
Revenues	212.97	291.03	236.83
Costs	(77.42)	(131.86)	(126.68)
<i>Gross profit</i>	135.55	159.17	110.15
Selling expenses	(61.97)	(111.42)	(178.04)
Administrative expenses	(46.23)	(68.55)	(17.03)
Net (loss) income from retained interest in securitized receivables	3.25	(1.26)	(46.01)
<i>Operating income</i>	30.60	(22.06)	(130.93)
Financial results, net	0.83	1.22	(0.02)
Other income (expenses), net	3.03	3.81	(0.61)
<i>Income before taxes and minority interest</i>	34.46	(17.03)	(131.56)
Income tax expense	(15.45)	(1.52)	37.49
<i>Net income</i>	19.01	(18.55)	(94.07)
Balance Sheet Data			
<i>Current assets:</i>			
Cash and banks	8.83	11.33	5.31
Investments	35.29	54.12	142.65
Accounts receivable	70.83	56.31	73.61
Other receivables	13.06	36.19	15.69
Inventory	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total current assets	128.01	157.95	237.26
<i>Non-current assets:</i>			
Other receivables	24.31	21.57	73.14
Property, plant and equipment	9.68	12.32	8.65
Investments	55.68	111.10	21.01
Accounts receivable	40.58	7.72	3.78
Intangible Assets net	0.02	0.01	0.00
Total non-current assets	130.27	152.72	106.58
Total assets	258.28	310.67	343.84
<i>Current liabilities:</i>			
Accounts payable	157.62	173.09	104.31
Customer advances	4.40	0.00	0.00
Short-term debt	12.90	61.57	39.65
Related parties	2.47	24.11	54.12
Salaries and social security payable	4.41	5.23	6.14
Taxes payable	21.78	13.52	38.07
Other liabilities	0.72	0.43	1.06
Total current liabilities	204.30	277.95	243.35
<i>Non-current liabilities:</i>			
Accounts payable	0.00	3.24	0.11
Long-term debt	6.13	0.19	0.16
Other liabilities	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total non-current liabilities	6.13	3.44	0.27
Total liabilities	210.43	281.39	243.62
Shareholders' equity	47.85	29.29	100.22

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Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	258.28	310.68	343.84
Other Financial Data			
Return on assets	7.4%	(6.0)%	(27.4)%
Return on shareholders' equity	65.9%	(38.8)%	(48.4)%
Net interest margin	64.72%	55.01%	46.51%
Non-performing loans as a percentage of total loans	24.48%	46.31%	50.98%
Reserve for loan losses as a percentage of total loans	15.17%	47.97%	51.17%
Reserve for loan losses as a percentage of non-performing loans	61.98%	103.60%	100.37%
<i>Development and Sale of Properties</i>			

The acquisition and development of residential apartment complexes and residential communities for sale is one of our core activities. The development of residential apartment complexes consists of construction of new

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high-rise towers or the conversion and renovation of existing structures such as factories and warehouses. In connection with our development of residential communities, we frequently acquire vacant land, develop infrastructure such as roads, utilities and common areas, and sell plots of land for construction of single-family homes. We may also develop or sell portions of land for others to develop complementary facilities such as shopping areas within residential developments.

In our fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, revenues from our Development and Sale of Properties segment were Ps.196.8 million, compared to Ps. 280.4 million in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009.

Construction and renovation works on our residential development properties are currently performed, under our supervision, by independent Argentine construction companies that are selected through a bidding process. We enter into turnkey contracts with the selected company for the construction of residential development properties pursuant to which the selected company agrees to build and deliver the development for a fixed price and at a fixed date. We are generally not responsible for any additional costs based upon the turnkey contract. All other aspects of the construction, including architectural design, are performed by third parties.

Another form of residential development is the exchange of land for constructed square meters. In this way, we deliver undeveloped pieces of land and another firm is in charge of building the project. In this case, we receive finished square meters for commercialization, without taking part in the construction works.

In the first quarter of fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, in order to strengthen our presence in the development properties segment, we, together with CYRELA, a renowned Brazilian developer, created a venture that operates under the name IRSA-CYRELA (CYRSA) to develop high end residential units in Argentina applying innovative sales and financing policies and based on a new concept in residential units in line with the latest global trends.

CYRSA's first project, which has been developed in a plot made up by two adjacent blocks in the Vicente López neighborhood, was launched in March 2008 under the name Horizons. It is one of the most significant developments in Greater Buenos Aires and it will entail a new concept in residential complexes given its emphasis on the use of common spaces. This project includes two complexes with a total of six buildings; one of them facing the river with three 14-floor buildings (the River complex) and the other on Avenida del Libertador with three 17-floor buildings (the Park complex), totaling 59,000 sqm of constructed surface area for sale distributed in 467 units (to the exclusion of the units to be delivered in exchange for the acquisition of land). With its unique and innovating style in residential complexes, Horizons has 32 amenities, including a meeting room; a work zone; indoor swimming pools; club house and spa, sauna, gym, children room, teen room; theme-park areas; and an aerobic trail to name but a few. The showroom was opened to the public in March 2008 with immediate success. As of the date of these financial statements, preliminary sales agreements had been executed for 99% of our own units on sale, and the results will be reflected as the works make progress, consolidated at 50%.

As of June 30, 2009, the degree of progress shown by the works is about 30%. The project is scheduled to be completed in 2011.

Acquisition of companies in the Oriental Republic of Uruguay

During the fiscal year 2009, the Company acquired a 100% interest in Liveck S.A., a shell company incorporated under the laws of Uruguay for de minimums consideration. In June 2009, Liveck acquired 90% of the equity interest in Vista al Muelle S.A. and Zetol S.A., two real estate Uruguayan companies for US\$ 6.6 million. These companies own undeveloped parcels of land in Canelones, Uruguay.

Out of the US\$ 6.6 million, US\$ 2.1 million were paid in cash while the balance, US\$ 4.5 million, is payable in two ways, at the option of the seller part: the first one consist on five equal annual installments of US\$ 0.9 million each plus interest at 3.5% per annum on any outstanding balance. The second way consists on the grant of 12% of the developed square meters. Under the agreement, the Company granted the sellers an option to settle the outstanding balance in the form of 12% of the future meters constructed. Ritelco, a wholly-owned subsidiary of

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IRSA, and Cyrela guaranteed the US\$ 4.5 million of outstanding balance, interest and option to the sellers through a surety bond, if Liveck does not pay. The plots of land bought are mortgaged, this means that the sellers have double guarantee. On June 30, 2009, the Company sold 50% of Liveck to Cyrela Brazil Realty S.A. for US\$ 1.3 million.

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The following table shows certain information and gives an overview regarding our sales and development properties as of June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007:

Sales and Development Properties

DEVELOPMENT	Date of Acquisition	Estimated / Real Cost (Ps. 000) (1)	Area intended for sale (sqm) (2)	Total Units or Lots (3)	IRSA s Effective Interest	Percentage Built	Percentage Sold (4)	Accumulated Sales (Ps. 000) (5)	Accumulated Sales in (Ps. 000) as of June 30 of fiscal year (6)			Book value \$/ 000 (7)
									2009	2008	2007	
Homes												
Renoir towers (15)	09/09/99	22,861	5,383	28	100.00%	100.00%	99.54%	53,798	53,798			54
Credit on Rosario lot swap (8) (17)	04/30/99		4,692	80	63.34%	66.00%	0.00%					11,023
Caballito lots (16)	11/03/97	42,388	9,784	1	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%					4,429
Credit on Caballito lot swap (Cyrsa) (15)	11/03/97		7,451		100.00%	0.00%	0.00%					21,194
Credit on Caballito lot swap (KOAD) (15)	11/03/97		6,833	118	100.00%	87.00%	31.77%					27,623
Libertador 1703 and 1755 (Horizons) (16)	01/16/07	396,565	59,000	467	50.00%	30.00%	99.00%					106,391
Other homes (10)	N/A	231,677	116,513	1,437				366,558	3,483	61,133	17,330	2,773
Subtotal homes		693,491	209,656	2,131				420,356	57,281	61,133	17,330	173,487
Residential communities												
Abril/Baldovinos (11)	01/03/95	130,955	1,408,905	1,273	100.00%	100.00%	98.91%	231,995	9,904	4,030	1,124	3,674
Credit on Benavidez lot swap (15)	11/18/97		125,889	110	100.00%	97.00%	0.00%	11,830				9,995
Villa Celina I, II y III	05/26/92	4,742	75,970	219	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	14,028	76			
Subtotal residential communities		135,697	1,610,764	1,602				257,853	9,980	4,030	1,124	13,669
Land reserves												
Puerto Retiro (9)	05/18/97		82,051		50.00%	0.00%	0.00%					54,380
Santa María del Plata	07/10/97		352,403		90.00%	0.00%	10.00%	31,000			31,000	139,748
Pereiraola (11)	12/16/96		1,299,630		100.00%	0.00%	0.00%					21,717
Alcorta lots (8)	07/07/98		1,925		63.34%	0.00%	100.00%	22,969				
Rosario lot (8)	04/30/99		31,000		63.34%	0.00%	19.85%	11,072	7,644	3,428		15,577
Caballito block 35	11/03/97		9,784		100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	19,152			19,152	

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Canteras Natal										
Crespo	07/27/05	4,300,000	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	252	29	57	91	5,705
Berutti lot (8)	06/24/08	3,207	63.34%	0.00%	0.00%					52,715
Pilar	05/29/97	740,237	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%					3,408
Air space over										
Coto (8)	09/24/97	21,406	63.34%	0.00%	0.00%					13,188
Torres Jardín IV	07/18/96	3,169	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%					3,030
Caballito lot (8)	11/03/97	25,539	63.34%	0.00%	0.00%					36,741
Patio Olmos (8)	09/25/07	5,147	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%					32,949
Other land										
reserves (12)	N/A	14,476,115				1,041	1,041			25,620
Subtotal land reserves		21,351,613				85,486	8,714	22,637	31,091	404,778
Other										
Dique III	09/09/99	10,474	N/A	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	91,638			26,206
Bouchard 551	03/15/07	9,946	N/A	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	108,423		108,423	
Madero 1020	12/21/95	5,056	N/A	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	18,777	1,830	476	
Della Paolera										
265	08/27/07	472	N/A	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	6,850	6,850		
Madero 942	08/31/94	768	N/A	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	6,137	6,137		
Dock del Plata	11/15/06	3,957	N/A	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	42,070	42,070		
Libertador 498	12/20/95	3,099	N/A	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	36,350	36,350		
Laminar	03/25/99	6,521	N/A	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	74,510	74,510		
Reconquista 823	11/12/93	5,016	N/A	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	31,535	31,535		
Crucero I retail stores										
	N/A	192	N/A	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	2,006	2,006		
Other (13)	N/A	7,017	N/A	100.00%	100.00%	99.22%	24,567	3,099	112	
Subtotal Other		52,518				442,863	204,387	109,011	26,206	
TOTAL (14)		829,188	23,224,551	3,733		1,206,558	280,362	196,811	75,751	591,934

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Notes:

- (1) Cost of acquisition plus total investment made and/or planned for dwelling units and residential communities projects either completed or in progress (adjusted for inflation as of 02/28/03, if applicable).
- (2) Total area devoted to sales upon completion of the development or acquisition and before the sale of any of the units (including parking and storage spaces though not including common areas). In the case of Land Reserves the land area was considered.
- (3) Represents the total units or plots upon completion of the development or acquisition (excluding parking and storage spaces).
- (4) The percentage sold is calculated dividing the square meters sold by the total saleable square meters, including sales transactions instrumented by preliminary sales agreements for which no title deed has been executed yet.
- (5) Includes only the cumulative sales consolidated by the RT21 method adjusted for inflation until 02/28/03.
- (6) Corresponds to the company's total sales consolidated by the RT4 method adjusted for inflation until 02/28/03.
- (7) Cost of acquisition plus improvements, plus activated interest of properties consolidated in portfolio at June 30, 2009, adjusted for inflation as of 02/28/03.
- (8) Through Alto Palermo S.A.
- (9) Through Inversora Bolívar S.A.
- (10) Includes the following properties: Torres de Abasto through APSA, Torres Jardín, Edificios Cruceros, San Martin de Tours, Rivadavia 2768, Alto Palermo Park, swap over Torre Renoir II tower, Minetti D, Dorrego 1916 and Padilla 902.
- (11) Directly through IRSA and indirectly through Inversora Bolívar S.A. Includes sale of Abril shares.
- (12) Includes the following land reserves: Pontevedra lot, Isla Sirgadero, San Luis lot, Mariano Acosta, Merlo and Intercontinental Plaza II through IRSA, Zetol and Vista al Muelle through Liveck and C. Gardel 3134, C. Gardel 3128, Agüero 596 (totally sold), Zelaya 3102, Conil and others APSA (through APSA).
- (13) Includes the following properties: Puerto Madero Dique XIII. It also includes income from termination (through IRSA and IBSA) and income from expenses recovered in connection with common maintenance fees, stamp tax and associated professional fees.
- (14) Corresponds to the Development and sale of properties business unit mentioned in Note 6 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (15) Corresponds to swap receivables disclosed as Inventories in the Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (16) Owed by CYRSA S.A.
- (17) Corresponds to amounts receivable on swaps disclosed as Inventories in the Consolidated Financial Statements for parcels g and h. The degree of physical progress with parcel g at 06/30/09 is 66% and with parcel h is 3%

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In the apartment building market, we acquire undeveloped properties strategically located in densely populated areas of the City of Buenos Aires, particularly properties located next to shopping centers and hypermarkets or those to be constructed. Then we develop multi-building high-rise complexes targeting the middle-income market. These developments are equipped with modern comforts and services, such as open green areas, swimming pools, sports and recreation facilities and 24-hour security. In the loft buildings market, our strategy is to acquire old buildings no longer in use located in areas with a significant middle and upper-income population. The properties are then renovated into unfinished lofts allowing buyers the opportunity to design and decorate them according to their preferences.

Projects Under Development

Torre Caballito, City of Buenos Aires. This property, extending over a surface area of 8,404 square meters, is located in the northern area of Caballito's residential neighborhood in the City of Buenos Aires. On May 4, 2006, we and Koad S.A. (Koad), an Argentine developer, entered into an asset exchange agreement valued at US\$7.5 million pursuant to which we sold to Koad plot number 36 of Terrenos de Caballito in exchange for Koad's agreement to construct, at its sole expense, a residential complex to be named Caballito Nuevo, with a total estimated area for sale of 28,000 square meters approximately, where two 34-story towers will be built, containing 220 apartments each, consisting of one, two and three bedroom residential units with surface areas ranging from 40 to 85 square meters. The proposed apartment complex is currently expected to offer a wide variety of amenities and services. It is estimated that Koad will finish the building work during the first semester of 2010 and we will be able to take possession and register 118 apartments and 55 garages which are equivalent to the 25% of the total square meters for sale, of the fulfillment of the contract mentioned before. As a result of this transaction, Koad granted to us a first lien mortgage on the property to secure up to US\$7.4 million of its obligations to us and posted a surety bond in our favor supporting an additional US\$2.0 million of Koad's obligations to us. The degree of completion is presently 80% and sales efforts were launched in December 2008. As a result, 41 apartments and 15 garages had been sold for a sale amount of US\$ 3.2 million approximately.

Torres Renoir, Dique III. During fiscal year 2006 we closed swap agreements that allowed us to start the construction of these two exclusive residential buildings of 37 and 40 stories. As of June 30, 2009, the works were completed and the units were totally sold.

Vicente López, Olivos, Province of Buenos Aires. In January 2007, we acquired the total shares of Rummaala S.A. (Rummaala), which main asset was of land located in Vicente Lopez, Province of Buenos Aires. The purchase price was US\$21.2 million, payable as follows: (i) US\$4.3 million in cash and (ii) by delivering certain units of the building to be constructed in the land owned by Rummaala in the amount of US\$16.9 million, within a 4-year term as from the approval date of the plans by the competent authorities or the date the property is vacated, whichever occurs last. As security for compliance with the construction of the future building and transfer of the future units, the shares acquired were pledged.

Simultaneously with the above mentioned transaction, Rummaala acquired a plot of land adjacent to its own property for a total purchase price of US\$15.0 million, payable as follows: (i) US\$0.5 million in cash; (ii) by delivering certain units of buildings Cruceros I and II in the amount of US\$1.2 million and (iii) by delivering certain units of

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the building to be constructed in the land acquired for a total purchase price of US\$13.25 million, within a 40-month term as from the approval date of the plans by the competent authorities or the date the property is vacated, whichever occurs last. As security for compliance with the construction of the future building and transfer of the future units, our property located at Suipacha 652 was mortgaged.

In April 2007, we created CYRSA in order to have a legal entity to facilitate the developing of a specific project together with one or more investors having in-depth knowledge and vast experience in the industry. To that end, we contributed 100% of the capital stock in Rummaala and the debt in kind associated with the acquisition of the land to CYRSA for a net amount of \$ 21.5 million, whereas CYRELA contributed \$ 21.5 million (an amount equivalent to the value of the shares that we contributed).

We entered into an agreement with Cyrela Brazil Realty S.A. Empreendimentos e Participações for the development of residential projects in the Republic of Argentina through CYRSA, which will operate under the name of IRSA CYRELA.

CYRSA is presently developing this plot of land. The showroom was opened to the public in March 2008 and it was an immediate success. As of June 30, 2009 preliminary sales agreements representing 99% of the units to be sold were executed, and the results will be reflected according to the work progress, consolidated at 50%. The units will be completed and delivered in the course of fiscal 2011. At June 30, 2009 the degree of progress was about 30%.

Torres Rosario Project, City of Rosario, Province of Santa Fe. Our subsidiary APSA owns a block of land of approximately 50,000 square meters divided into 8 smaller plots. in the city of Rosario, near the Alto Rosario Shopping Center. At June 30, 2009, 2 of the 8 plots had been bartered with Condominios del Alto S.A. (plots 2-G and 2-H), 6 plots with 31,000 square meters approximately remain.

The barter of parcel 2-G represents a total of 10,128 square for sale. Condominios de Alto S.A. will deliver 15 apartments, with a total constructed area of 1,504 square meters and fifteen parking spaces as the fulfillment of the barter agreement.

The barter of parcel 2-H represents 14,500 total square meters for sale, 3,188 square meters of which are the fulfillment of the barter agreement. This area is equivalent to 42 apartments and 47 parking spaces.

At present, the degree of completion is 78% in parcel 2-G and 10% in parcel 2-H and they are estimated to be finished during 2010 and 2011 respectively.

PAMSA-Dot Baires Offices. Pan American Mall S.A., an APSA subsidiary, is in the process of completing the development of an office building with a gross leasable area of 9,700 sqm adjacent to the shopping center opened in May 2009, Dot Baires. This building will be operational in early 2010 and it shall mark the entrance by the Company in the rental office corridor in the northern area of the City of Buenos Aires.

Completed Apartment Projects

Torres Jardín, City of Buenos Aires. Torres Jardín is a high-rise residential complex located in the Buenos Aires neighborhood of Villa Crespo, approximately five minutes from Abasto Shopping. Torres Jardín I, II and III have been completed and consist of 490 one, two and three-bedroom residential apartments. The complex also includes 295 spaces of underground parking. As of June 30, 2009, 2 parking spaces and 4 spaces for motorcycle parking were pending sale. The project originally included four 23- story towers targeting the middle-income market, but we decided not to construct Torres Jardín IV and may consider a barter transaction with a third party for its construction.

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Edificios Cruceros, City of Buenos Aires. Edificios Cruceros is a project located in the Puerto Madero area. This building covers 6,400 square meters of surface area, and it is close to the Edificios Costeros office building. This project targets the high-income segment of the population and all its common areas have views to the river. This development was partially financed through the sale in advance of its apartments. Works have been completed and at June 30, 2009 1 parking space is still on sale.

Barrio Chico, City of Buenos Aires. This is a unique Project located in Barrio Parque, an exclusive residential zone in the City of Buenos Aires. During May 2006 the successful marketing of this project was launched. The image of the product was previously developed with the name of Barrio Chico with advertisements in the most important media. As of June 30 2009, the project is finished and only 5 parking spaces remain to be sold.

Palacio Alcorta, City of Buenos Aires. Palacio Alcorta is a 191-loft units residential property that were converted from a former Chrysler factory in the residential neighborhood of Palermo Chico, one of the most exclusive areas of Buenos Aires City, located just a ten-minute drive from downtown Buenos Aires. The loft units range from 60 to 271 square meters. This development project targets the upper-income market. Palacio Alcorta also has seven retail units that belong to us and 165 parking spaces. All of the loft units in the complex have been sold.

Concepción Arenal 3000, City of Buenos Aires. Concepción Arenal 3000 is a 70-loft residential property located in the north-central area of the City of Buenos Aires. Each loft unit has a salable area of 86 square meters and a parking space. Lofts in this building are targeted towards the middle-income market. As of June 30, 2009, the project had been completed and fully sold.

Alto Palermo Park and Plaza, City of Buenos Aires. Alto Palermo Park is one of two 34-story apartment buildings located two blocks from Alto Palermo Shopping in the exclusive neighborhood of Palermo. Apartments in this building are targeted primarily towards the upper-income market. Alto Palermo Park is located next to its twin building, Alto Palermo Plaza. Both buildings are comprised of three- and four-bedroom apartments with an average area of 158 square meters in the case of Alto Palermo Park and of 294.5 square meters, in the case of Alto Palermo Plaza. Each unit includes an average of 18 and 29 square meter parking/storage space, respectively. These buildings were included with the assets we acquired in November 1997 from Pérez Companc. As of the date of this report, 100% of Alto Palermo Plaza was sold and there was only one unit to be sold in Alto Palermo Park.

Villa Celina, Province of Buenos Aires. Villa Celina is a 400-plot residential community for the construction of single-family homes located in the residential neighborhood of Villa Celina on the southwestern edge of the City of Buenos Aires. We have been developing this property in several stages since 1994. The first three stages involved 219 lots, each measuring on average 347 square meters and the last two stages involve 181 lots. As of June 30, 2009, 100% of the project had been sold.

Residential Communities

In the residential communities market, we acquire undeveloped properties located in suburban areas or neighborhoods near the large cities to develop private neighborhoods

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and country clubs in which to sell vacant lots for the construction of single family homes. In these properties we build streets and roads and arrange for the provision of basic municipal services and amenities such as open spaces, sports facilities and security. We seek to capitalize on improvements in transportation and communication around the City of Buenos Aires, the growing suburbanization of the region and the shift of the population moving to countryside-type residential communities.

An important factor in the trend towards living in suburban areas has been the improvements and additions to the Autopista Panamericana, Avenida General Paz and Acceso Oeste highways, which significantly reduce traveling time, encouraging a significant number of families to move to the new residential neighborhoods. Furthermore, improvements in public train, subway and bus transportation since their privatization has also influenced the trend to adopt this lifestyle.

As of June 30, 2009, our residential communities for the construction of single-family homes for sale in Argentina had a total of 53,628 square meters of saleable area in Abril, and 125,889 sqm of saleable area in Benavidez. Both residential communities are located in the province of Buenos Aires.

Abril, Hudson, Greater Buenos Aires. Abril is a 312-hectare private residential community located near Hudson City, approximately 34 kilometers south of the City of Buenos Aires. We have developed this property into a private residential community for the construction of single family homes targeting the upper-middle income market. The project includes 20 neighborhoods subdivided into 1,273 lots of approximately 1,107 square meters each. Abril also includes an 18-hole golf course, 130 hectares of woodlands, a 4,000-square meter mansion and entertainment facilities. A bilingual school, horse stables and sports centers and the construction of the shopping center were concluded in 1999. The neighborhoods have been completed, and as of June 30, 2009, 98.91% of the property had been sold for an aggregate of Ps. 231.9 million, with 20,009 square meters available for sale.

El Encuentro, Benavidez, Tigre. In the district of Benavidez, Municipality of Tigre, 35 kilometers north from downtown Buenos Aires, we are developing a 99.8-hectare gated residential complex known as El Encuentro, which will have a privileged front access to Highway No. 9, allowing an easy way to and from the city. On May 21, 2004 an exchange deed was signed whereby DEESA agreed to pay US\$3.98 million to Inversora Bolívar, of which US\$0.98 million were paid and the balance of US\$3.0 million will be paid through the exchange of 110 residential plots already chosen and identified in the option contract signed on December 3, 2003. Furthermore, through the same act, DEESA set up a first mortgage in favor of Inversora Bolívar on the real property amounting to US\$3.0 million as security for compliance with the operation and delivered US\$0.5 million to Inversora Bolívar as security for the performance of the obligations undertaken. As of June 30, 2009, the neighborhood was equipped with all the utilities: power supply, water, sewage, effluent treatment plant, public lighting, finished driveways and accesses, buildings, sports facilities, etc. The works pertaining to the railway tunnel and the Bancalari/Benavidez road have been completed. The degree of progress in these works is 99%.

Land Reserves

We have acquired large undeveloped properties as land reserves located in strategic areas for the future development of office and apartment buildings, shopping centers and single family housing. We have acquired what we believe to be two of the largest and most important undeveloped river front plots in Buenos Aires, Puerto Retiro and Santa María del Plata, for the future development of residential and office spaces. In addition,

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we have benefited from the improvement of land values during periods of economic growth. As of June 30, 2009, our land reserves totaled 27 properties consisting of approximately 2,135 hectares (including Rosario, Beruti Lot, Caballito, and Coto C.I.C.S.A. (Coto) air space owned by APSA).

Land Reserves in the City of Buenos Aires

Solares de Santa María, City of Buenos Aires, (formerly Santa María del Plata). Solares de Santa María is a 70-hectare property facing the Río de la Plata in the south of Puerto Madero, 10 minutes from downtown Buenos Aires. This is an urbanization project developed through our subsidiary Solares de Santa María S.A. (Solares de Santa María). This project has a residential profile and mixed uses, and it is currently expected to have residential complexes as well as offices, stores, hotels, sports and sailing clubs, services areas with schools, supermarkets and parking lots.

As part of the project, we sold 10% of Solares de Santa María capital stock for US\$10.6 million to Mr. Israel Sutton Dabbah, who is part of the Sutton Group an unrelated party. An initial payment of US\$1.6 million was made and the balance of US\$9.0 million is payable on June 23, 2010. In order to secure his obligations under the share purchase agreement, the buyer created a pledge on certain assets owned by it.

Background

A rule passed by the Legislative Branch of the City of Buenos Aires in 1992 (Ordinance 45,665/92), provided general urban standards to the site, and stated that the Site urban design was to be submitted for approval of the Environmental Urban Plan Council (Consejo de Planificación Urbana COPUA). In 1997 we acquired the site which the National Executive Branch had assigned to be the athlete residence of the Olympic Games (Olympic Village) in case Buenos Aires was chosen as host city to hold the Olympic Games (former Boca Juniors Football Club sports town). From that date onwards, we have sought proceedings for the approval of a mixed-use development project to be built on the site before the governmental authorities of the City of Buenos Aires.

Evolution of Approval Instances

In 2000, we filed a master plan for the Santa María del Plata site, which was assessed by COPUA and submitted to the City Treasurer's Office, which would take part in the entire proceeding to finally approve the project.

In 2002, by Decree 405/02, the Government called for a public hearing to be held in June 2002, which was attended by professional and private entities and assessed by all competent agencies.

In July 2006, the COPUA made its recommendations about the project. On December 13, 2006, we filed an amendment to the project to adjust it to the recommendations made by COPUA, that included the following:

The project met the Guidelines of the Environmental Urban Plan.

The project was included in the proposals for the strategic development of the City's Southern Area.

A pedestrian lane was designed along the perimeter of the entire site on the Río de la Plata bank.

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Integration with the city was prioritized respecting the surrounding urban landscape, designing a waterfront along the Río de la Plata bank and providing vehicular integration with the avenues surrounding the site.

Donation of 50% of the site to the Government of the City of Buenos Aires was proposed for Public Use and Convenience, which is the maximum amount set forth in the Planning Code.

The specific ruling within the scope of Ordinance N° 45,665/92, Law 23,738/89 and Decree 5783/92 was proposed. On March 29, 2007, COPUAM (Advisory Body of Government composed of Advisors from the Legislative and Executive Branches) in whole session passed the 145-COPUAM-07 REPORT which stated that it had no objections to the company's proposal and requested that the General Attorney render a decision concerning the ruling proposed.

In May 2007, the Traffic Bureau took part at the request of the Treasury and requested a new traffic study for the area. This new study was carried out and the traffic simulation report was discussed with the authorities.

Prior to its execution, the Decree was approved by the Minister of Planning and Public Works, the Traffic and Transport Bureau, the General Attorney and the General Technical Administrative and Legal Bureau of the Ministry of Planning and Public Works. On November 9, 2007, 11 years after the dossier was opened and 15 years after the general ruling on the site was issued by the City Council, the Government chief of the City of Buenos Aires executed Decree No. 1584/07, which passed the specific ruling. On December 1, 2007 Decree No. 1584 was published in the City Official Gazette No. 2815. The assignment of space for public use and convenience is the maximum provided for in the Planning Code: 50% of the site will be donated for public use (357,975 sqm) in which a common recreational area, roads, and pedestrian lanes will be constructed.

Notwithstanding the above, several operational and implementation issues remain to be approved by different authorities in charge of the urban affairs of the City of Buenos Aires. Without prejudice to the foregoing, the Decree has been judicially objected as regards formal and procedural aspects, but the authorities have not rendered a decision on this matter yet. In that sense, a legislative bill as well as a proposed agreement will be sent to the legislature for approval shortly. Once approved, these regulations will have the hierarchy of a law.

Our internal team completed the Urban Development project draft for Solares de Santa María. Feasibility studies have been filed with the service companies and we have held multiple informative meetings with several governmental agencies aimed at defining the development of the draft project.

Puerto Retiro. Puerto Retiro is an 8.3 hectare undeveloped riverside property bounded by the Catalinas and Puerto Madero office zones to the west, the Retiro railway station to the north and the Río de la Plata to the south and east. One of the only two significant privately owned waterfront properties in the City of Buenos Aires, Puerto Retiro may currently be utilized only for port activities, so we have initiated negotiations with municipal authorities in order to rezone the area. Our plan is to develop a 360,000 square meter financial center. The launching date has not been settled and consequently, the estimated cost and financing method are not decided. We own a 50% interest in Puerto Retiro.

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Caballito plot of land, Ferro Project. This is a property of approximately 25,539 square meters in the City of Buenos Aires, neighborhood of Caballito, one of the most densely populated of the city, which APSA purchased in November 1997. This plot would allow developing a shopping center having 30,000 square meters, a hypermarket, a cinema complex, and several recreation and entertainment activity areas. We are currently working to define the commercial project. At present, the legislature of the City of Buenos Aires has received a legislative bill to approve the zoning parameters corresponding to this property.

Beruti plot of land. On June 27, 2008 APSA acquired a plot of land situated at Beruti 3351/3359, between Bulnes and Avenida Coronel Díaz in Palermo, a neighborhood in the City of Buenos Aires quite close to the Shopping Center known as Shopping Alto Palermo. The transaction involved a surface area of 3,207 square meters for a price of US\$ 17.8 million. This has been a significant acquisition because of the strategic location of the property, in the immediate vicinity of APSA's main shopping center.

Caballito Plot of Land, CYRSA. During fiscal 2008, we and CYRSA executed a barter deed pursuant to which it transferred to CYRSA under a swap agreement the property detailed in the deed as described below, which has a total surface area of 9,784 square meters: plot of land, designated as Parcel ONE L, in block 35, facing Méndez de Andes street between Rojas and Colpayo streets in the Caballito neighborhood.

In turn, CYRSA agreed to carry out in the property a real estate development for residential use, which shall comprise a first stage of two towers and a third building to be developed in a second stage at the option of CYRSA. In exchange for the transfer of the property, CYRSA paid to us US\$ 0.1 million and agreed to tender certain non-cash considerations such as transferring under barter to us certain home units in the buildings to be built which will represent 25% of the meters. Furthermore, as security for the performance of its obligations, CYRSA has created a security interest over the property by mortgaging it in favor of us.

Coto Residential Project. We are the owners (through our subsidiary APSA) of an air space of about 24,000 sqm above the Coto hypermarket that is close to our Abasto Shopping Center in the heart of the City of Buenos Aires. APSA and Coto Centro Integral de Comercialización S.A. (Coto) executed and delivered a deed dated September 24, 1997 whereby APSA acquired the rights to receive parking units and the rights to build on top of the premises located in the block formed by the streets Agüero, Lavalle, Guardia Vieja and Gallo, in the Abasto neighborhood. As an event subsequent to the close of the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, a conditional barter agreement was executed, pursuant to which we would transfer to CYRSA 112 parking units and the rights to erect on top of the hypermarket two building towers in so far as a number of conditions are met. In exchange, CYRSA would deliver to APSA as of yet undefined number of units in the building to be erected equivalent to 25% of the square meters that as a whole do not represent a total less than four thousand and fifty-three square meters, with fifty square centimeters of own square meters to be built on the whole. Additionally, in the event there were any, CYRSA would deliver to APSA a number of storage spaces equivalent to 25% of the storage spaces in the building to be erected. In addition, in the event of meeting the conditions precedent applicable to the transaction, CYRSA would pay to APSA US\$ 0,089 million and would proceed with the works in the parking lots that APSA would receive from Coto. This payment would be made within 30 running days as from the execution of the barter deed. For this barter to be consummated, the conditions precedent require Coto, the current owner of the real estate mentioned above that currently hosts a hypermarket, retail stores and parking spaces, to provide certain essential services. Possession over the real estate shall be conveyed upon executing the

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title deed, scheduled to take place within 30 days counted as from the date on which we notify CYRSA of compliance with the conditions precedent. The transaction between CYRSA and APSA totals US\$ 5.9 million.

Land Reserves in the Province of Buenos Aires

Pereiraola, Hudson. We own a 100.0% interest in Pereiraola S.A., a company whose principal asset is a 130-hectare undeveloped property adjacent to Abril, a private residential community developed by us. We intend to use this property to develop a private residential community for the construction of single family homes targeted at the middle-income market. We have not yet established the costs and financing method for this proposed project, but we have already obtained the necessary municipal permits. The plot's book value is estimated to be Ps.21.7 million as of June 30, 2009.

Pilar. Pilar is a 74-hectare undeveloped land reserve property located close to the city of Pilar, 55 kilometers northwest of downtown Buenos Aires. The property is easily accessible due to its proximity to the Autopista del Norte highway. Pilar has become one of Argentina's fastest developing areas. We are considering several alternatives for this property including the development of a residential community or the sale of this property in its current state and, therefore, we do not have a cost estimate or financing plan. The plot's book value is estimated to be Ps.3.4 million as of June 30, 2009.

Land Reserves in Other Provinces

Neuquén Project, Province of Neuquén. APSA's subsidiary, Shopping Neuquén S.A.'s (Shopping Neuquén) sole asset is a 50,000 square meter undeveloped parcel of land located in Neuquén, Argentina, where we intend to develop a commercial project including the construction of a shopping center, a hypermarket and other developments.

On December 13, 2006, Shopping Neuquén entered into an agreement with the Municipality of Neuquén and with the Province of Neuquén by which, mainly, the terms to carry out the commercial and residential venture were rescheduled and authorized Shopping Neuquén to transfer to third parties the title to the plots of land into which the property is divided, provided that it is not the plot of land on which the shopping center will be built. Such Agreement was subject to two conditions, both already complied with, (i) the ratification of the agreement by means of an ordinance of the legislative body of the Municipality of Neuquén, and (ii) the approval by the Municipality of Neuquén of the new project and the extension of the environmental impact study.

The Agreement effectively closed the administrative case brought against Shopping Neuquén by the Municipality of Neuquén. The only item pending is the determination of legal counsel fees to be borne by Shopping Neuquén. These fees were provided for and included under provisions.

According to the terms of the Agreement, Shopping Neuquén submitted the corresponding project plans within the required timeframe of 150 days from approval due February 17, 2008. The plans were observed by the Municipality. Shopping Neuquén requested an extension to the term to submit a revised plan.

On June 12, 2009, Shopping Neuquén and the Municipality of Neuquén agreed on a revised project to consider certain road access plans and modify general terms as necessary (the New Agreement). The revised plan was to be submitted within 90 days from the signing date of the New Agreement. Upon submission, the Municipality would have 30 days for comment. Works would have to commence within 90 days as from the registration date of the new plan. The construction of the shopping center and the hypermarket will have to be completed within 22 months as from commencement of the works. The Municipality has the right to revoke the New Agreement and initiate actions in case of breach of contract by Shopping Neuquén.

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On June 18, 2009, Shopping Neuquén sold a 4,332 square meter plot of land located in the vicinity of the land where the shopping center will be constructed. The purchaser was an unrelated third party, and the sale price amounted to US\$ 0.1 million.

Ex Escuela Gobernador Vicente de Olmos, Córdoba, Province of Córdoba. On December 27, 2006, APSA acquired 100% interest in the Cordoba Shopping Villa Cabrera located in Cordoba, Argentina, owned by Empalme. The property, which is located in the Villa Cabrera neighbourhood of the City of Cordoba, is a 35,000 square meter shopping center comprising 106 stores, a 12 movie theatre complex and a 1,500-vehicle parking lot.

The interest was acquired for US\$ 13.3 million. We paid US\$ 5.3 million in cash and financed the remaining portion of the purchase price in four equal installments of US\$ 2 million each due every six months as from June 2007. This financing accrued interest at a fixed rate of 6% per annum. The unpaid balance was collateralized by a pledge on the shares of Empalme in favor of the sellers. Governmental approval was obtained in December 2006. In December 2008, the fourth and last installment was paid and the encumbrance was lifted.

Our purchase of Empalme has been accounted for following the guidance in Technical Resolution No. 18 (RT No. 18). As from January 1st, 2009, Empalme merged into Shopping Alto Palermo S.A. (SAPSA).

Canteras Natal Crespo, Province of Córdoba. The initial guidelines for development of this project are in process on the basis of the master plan of the Chilean architect firm URBE. Preliminary presentations have been submitted to the Municipality of La Calera and to the Provincial Government of Córdoba.

This undertaking is characterized by an attractive and varied residential offer of land, dwelling areas of low and medium density, and commercial and social areas. Each one of the quarters will have a full service infra-structure and will be distinguished by the particularities of the land in the outstanding natural environment of the Sierras Chicas of the Province of Córdoba.

Canteras Natal Crespo is a company located in the Province of Córdoba that will have as main activity the urbanization of plots of land owned by itself and third parties the so-called countries, lots for sale or rent, production of quarries, real estate business and construction of houses.

Other Land Reserves

Our portfolio also include twelve land reserve properties located in the City of Buenos Aires and its surrounding areas. These properties are projected for future developments of offices, shopping centers, apartment buildings and residential communities. The main properties under this category include Merlo, Mariano Acosta and Pontevedra. We also own a property in the surroundings of the City of Santa Fe called Isla Sirgadero.

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Office and Other Non-shopping Center Rental Properties

Overview

We are engaged in the acquisition, development and management of Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties in Argentina. As of June 30, 2009, we directly and indirectly owned interests in 24 office and other rental properties in Argentina which comprised 252,950 square meters of gross leaseable area. Of these properties, 17 were office properties which comprised 156,000 square meters of gross leaseable area. For fiscal year 2009, we had revenue from Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties of Ps.147.7 million.

All of our office rental properties in Argentina are located in the City of Buenos Aires. For the year ended June 30, 2009 the average occupancy rate for all our properties in the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment was approximately 94.0%. Eight different tenants accounted for approximately 38.0% of the total revenues from office rentals for fiscal year 2009: Exxon Mobile Business, Price Waterhouse, Unilever Argentina, Grupo Total Austral, Apache Energía Argentina, Microsoft de Argentina S.A., Sibille S.C. (KPMG), and Grupo Danone Argentina.

Management. We generally act as the managing agent of the office properties in which we own an interest. These interests consist primarily of the ownership of entire buildings or a substantial number of floors in a building. The buildings in which we own floors are generally managed pursuant to the terms of a condominium agreement that typically provides for control by a simple majority of the interests (based on the area owned) in the building. As the managing agent of operations, we are responsible for handling services, such as security, maintenance and housekeeping. These services are generally contracted to third party providers. The cost of the services are passed-through and paid for by the tenants, except in the case of its units not rented, in which case we absorb the cost. Our leaseable space is marketed through commissioned brokers, the media and directly by us.

Leases. We lease our offices and other properties pursuant to contracts with an average term of three years, with the exception of a few contracts with terms of five years. These contracts are renewable for two or three additional years at the tenant's option. Contracts for the rental of office buildings and other commercial properties are generally stated in U.S. dollars, and in accordance with Argentine law they are not subject to inflation adjustment. Rental rates for renewed periods are negotiated at market value.

Properties. The following table sets forth certain information regarding our direct and indirect ownership interest in offices and other non-shopping center rental properties.

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	Date of Acquisition	Leasable Area Sqm (1)	Occupancy rate (2)	Our effective interest	Monthly rental income Ps./000 (3)	Accumulated Annual Rental Income for the fiscal periods (in Ps./000) (4)			Book value Ps./000 (5)
						2009	2008	2007	
Edificio República	04/28/08	19,884	64%	100%	1,686	17,114	203		224,478
Torre Bankboston (6)	08/27/07	15,891	100%	100%	1,522	19,670	15,688		157,894
Bouchard 551	03/15/07	23,378	96%	100%	1,803	20,342	12,678	3,925	152,898
Intercontinental Plaza (7)	11/18/97	22,535	100%	100%	1,994	18,372	12,496	10,977	86,517
Dique IV, Juana Manso 295 (8)	12/02/97	11,298	89%	100%	1,151	1,743			66,984
Bouchard 710	06/01/05	15,014	100%	100%	1,628	17,379	12,931	8,900	66,283
Maipú 1300	09/28/95	10,280	100%	100%	998	9,890	8,107	6,006	39,670
Libertador 498 (9)	12/20/95	7,433	100%	100%	748	9,285	8,551	6,307	27,199
Costeros Dique IV	08/29/01	5,437	90%	100%	449	5,056	4,603	1,987	19,699
Edificios Costeros	03/20/97	6,389	59%	100%	303	4,082	3,896	3,124	17,373
Dock Del Plata (10)	11/15/06	3,985	80%	100%	320	6,083	6,945	3,103	12,691
Suipacha 652/64	11/22/91	11,453	100%	100%	531	3,820	2,480	1,398	11,388
Madero 1020 (11)	12/21/95	114	100%	100%	2	32	89	97	269
Laminar Plaza (12)	03/25/99		N/A	100%		5,327	5,607	4,631	
Reconquista 823/41 (12)	11/12/93		N/A	100%		2,087	2,256	1,139	
Offices - other (13)	N/A	2,909	89%	N/A	89	1,189	1,385	1,289	7,954
Subtotal Offices		156,000	91%	N/A	13,224	141,471	97,915	52,883	891,297
Other Properties									
Commercial Properties (14)	N/A	312		N/A		209	188	242	3,626
Museo Renault	12/06/07	1,275	100%	100%	30	356	204		4,877
Santa María del Plata	07/10/97	60,100	100%	90%	84	959	958	1,043	12,496
Thames (7)	11/01/97	33,191	100%	100%	51	607	607	607	3,899
Other properties (15)	N/A	2,072	100%	N/A	6	2,207	220	168	5,721
Subtotal Other Properties		96,950	100%	N/A	171	4,338	2,177	2,060	30,619
Related fees (16)		N/A	N/A	N/A		1,940	2,067	2,150	N/A
TOTAL OFFICES AND OTHER (17)		252,950	94%	N/A	13,395	147,749	102,159	57,093	921,916

Notes:

- (1) Total leaseable area for each property as of 06/30/09. Excludes common areas and parking.
- (2) Calculated dividing occupied square meters by leaseable area as of 06/30/09.
- (3) Agreements in force as of 06/30/09 for each property were computed.
- (4) Total consolidated leases, according to the RT21 method.
- (5) Cost of acquisition, plus improvements, less accumulated depreciation, plus adjustment for inflation, less allowance for impairment.
- (6) 472 leaseable square meters were sold in December 2008.
- (7) Through Inversora Bolivar S.A.
- (8) The building was occupied on May 15, 2009.
- (9) In the period January through March 2009, the square meters sold amounted to 3,099.
- (10) In the period December 2008 through April 2009, 3,937 leaseable square meters were sold.

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- (11) In the period February through April 2009 26 parking spaces were sold.
- (12) The property was completely sold in April 2009.
- (13) Includes the following properties: Madero 942 (fully sold as of June 30,2009), Av. de Mayo 595, Av. Libertador 602, Rivadavia 2774, and Sarmiento 517 .
- (14) Includes the following properties: Constitución 1111, Crucero I (fully sold); Retail stores in Abril (wholly assigned) and Casona in Abril.
- (15) Includes the following properties: one unit in Alto Palermo Park (through IBSA), Constitución 1159 and Torre Renoir I and others.
- (16) Income from building management fees.
- (17) Corresponds to the Offices and Other Rental Properties business unit mentioned in Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements.
- The following table shows a schedule of the lease expirations of our office and other properties for leases outstanding as of June 30, 2009, assuming that none of the tenants exercise renewal options or terminate their lease early. Most tenants have renewal clauses in their leases.

Fiscal year of lease expiration	Number of leases expiring ⁽¹⁾	Square meters subject to expiring leases ⁽²⁾ (m2)	Percentage of total square meters subject to expiration (%)	Annual rental income under expiring leases (Ps.)	Percentage of total rental income under expiring leases (%)
2010	55	61,995	61%	52,856,655	33%
2011	51	52,510	22%	51,100,596	32%
2012	42	37,159	16%	51,857,814	32%
2013+	4	3,155	1%	4,005,146	3%
Total	152	154,819	100%	159,820,211	100%

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Includes Offices which contract has not been renewed as of June 30, 2009.

Does not include vacant leased square meters.

Does not include square meters or revenues from parking spaces.

The following table shows our offices occupancy percentage during fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007:

	Occupancy Percentage		
	Fiscal year ended June 30,⁽¹⁾		
	2009	2008	2007
	(%)	(%)	(%)
Offices			
Intercontinental Plaza	100	100	100
Bouchard 710	100	100	100
Bouchard 551	96	100	100
Dock del Plata	80	100	100
Libertador 498	100	100	100
Maipu 1300	100	100	100
Laminar Plaza (3)	N/A	100	100
Madero 1020	100	100	100
Reconquista 823/41 (3)	N/A	100	100
Suipacha 652/64	100	100	100
Edificios Costeros	59	89	96
Costeros Dique IV	90	100	96
Torre Bankboston	100	100	N/A
República	64	19	N/A
Dique IV, Juana Manso 295	89	N/A	N/A
Other (2)	89	100	100

- (1) Leased square meters in accordance with lease agreements in effect as of June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 considering the total leaseable office area for each year.
- (2) Includes the following properties: Madero 942 (sold in October 2008) , Av. de Mayo 595, Av. Libertador 602, Sarmiento 517 and Rivadavia 2768.
- (3) This property was fully sold in April 2009.

The following table sets forth the annual average income per square meter for our offices during fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007:

	Annual Average Income per Square Meter		
	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,⁽¹⁾		
	2009	2008	2007
	(Ps/m2)	(Ps/m2)	(Ps/m2)
Office			
Intercontinental Plaza	717	555	487
Bouchard 710	1,158	861	623
Bouchard 551 (2)	870	458	118
Dock del Plata (3)	908	877	392
Libertador 498 (4)	1,005	812	634
Maipu 1300	962	789	597
Laminar Plaza (5)	817	860	710
Madero 1020	281	414	450

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Suipacha 652/64	416	217	123
Reconquista 823/41 (5)	334	450	236
Edificios Costeros	639	610	504
Costeros Dock IV	930	847	387
Torre Bankboston (6)	1,238	992	N/A
República	861	55	N/A
Dique IV, Juana Manso 295 (7)	154	N/A	N/A
Other (8)	326	448	429

(1) Calculated considering annual leases to total leaseable office area, in accordance with our percentage of ownership in each building.

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- (2) Lease agreement beginning in the third quarter of fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, consequently income is for only three months of that fiscal year. In the third quarter of fiscal year 2008, 9,946 sqm were sold.
- (3) 3,937 leasable square meters were sold in the period December 2008 through April 2009.
- (4) 3,099 leasable square meters were sold in the period January through March 2009.
- (5) The property was fully sold in April 2009.
- (6) The property was acquired on 08/27/07, consequently income is for only ten months of fiscal year ended June 30, 2008.
- (7) The property was acquired on 04/28/08 and construction works were in progress, consequently income is for only 1 month of the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008.
- (8) Includes the following properties: Madero 942 (sold in October 2008), Av. de Mayo 595, Av. Libertador 602, Sarmiento 517 and Rivadavia 2768.

Properties

Below you will find information regarding our principal currently owned office properties, including the names of the tenants occupying 5% or more of the gross leasable area of each property.

Edificio República. Located in Plaza Roma, City of Buenos Aires, this property, which was designed by the renowned architect César Pelli (who also designed the World Financial Center in New York and the Petronas Towers in Kuala Lumpur) is a unique premium office building in downtown Buenos Aires and adds approximately 19,884 gross leaseable square meters to our portfolio distributed in 20 floors. The main tenants include Apache Energía, Deutsche Bank, Estudio Beccar Varela, Federalia S.A. de Finanzas, Enap Sipetrol Argentina S.A., Infomedia and Banco Itaú.

Torre BankBoston. The Bank Boston tower is a modern office building in Carlos Maria Della Paolera 265 in the City of Buenos Aires. Having been designed by the renowned architect Cesar Pelli, it has 31,670 square meters in gross leasable area. We have a 50% ownership interest in the building. At present, our main tenants are Standard Bank, BankBoston N.A. Suc. Bs. As., Exxon Mobile , Kimberly Clark de Argentina and Hope, Duggan & Silva S.C.

Bouchard 551, City of Buenos Aires. Bouchard 551, known as *Edificio La Nación* , is an office building that we acquired in March 2007, located in the Plaza Roma area. The building is a 23-story tower covering a surface area of 2,900 square meters in the low floors that becomes smaller as it goes higher up to 900 square meters approximately, and parking for 177 units. We have approximately 23,000 leasable square meters in the building. and our main tenants include La Nación S.A., Price Waterhouse & Co., AS. EM. S.R.L, Maersk Argentina S.A and Regus Business Centre S.A.

Intercontinental Plaza, City of Buenos Aires. Intercontinental Plaza is a modern 24-story building located next to the Intercontinental Hotel in the historic neighborhood of Monserrat in downtown City of Buenos Aires. We own the entire building which has floors averaging 900 square meters with 324 parking spaces. The principal tenants currently include Total Austral S.A., Danone Argentina S.A., IRSA, APSA and Cognizant Technology Solutions de Arg. S.A.

Juana Manso 295-Dique IV, Puerto Madero. About mid-May 2009 we completed an office building located in Puerto Madero. It is a luxury building with a leasable area of approximately 11,298 square meters composed of large and versatile spaces. Its lay-out is optimum both for companies that require smaller office space at an average 200 square meters and for corporations that need the entire floor. The building has nine office stories and retail stores in the first story. The main tenant in the building is Exxon Mobile.

Bouchard 710, City of Buenos Aires. Bouchard 710 is an office building acquired in June 2005, located in the Plaza Roma district. The building is a 12-story tower, with an average area per floor of 1,251 square meters, with 180 units for car parking. Tenants are Unilever de Argentina S.A., Sibille S.C. (KPMG), and Microsoft de Argentina S.A.

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Maipú 1300, City of Buenos Aires. Maipú 1300 is a 23-story office tower opposite Plaza San Martín, a prime office zone facing Avenida del Libertador, an important north-to-south avenue. The building is also located within walking distance of the Retiro commuter train station, Buenos Aires' most important public transportation hub, connecting rail, subway and bus transportation. We own the entire building which has an average area per floor of 440 square meters. The building's principal tenants currently include Allende & Brea, Carlson Wagonlit Travel Argentina S.A. and PPD Argentina S.A.

Libertador 498, City of Buenos Aires. Libertador 498 is a 27-story office tower at the intersection of three of the most important means of access to the City of Buenos Aires. This location allows for easy access to the building from northern, western and southern Buenos Aires. During the fiscal year 2009 we sold 5 functional units representative of 3,099 sqm of gross leasable area. As of June 30, 2009, we own 12 stories with an average area per floor of 620 square meters and of 209 parking spaces. This building features a unique design in the form of a cylinder and a highly visible circular lighted sign at the top which turn it into a landmark in the Buenos Aires skyline. The main tenants include Alfaro Abogados S.C., Sideco Americana S.A., LG Electronics Argentina S.A., Allergan Productos Farmacéuticos S.A. and Dak Americas Argentina S.A.

Edificios Costeros, Dique II, City of Buenos Aires. Costeros A and B are two four-story buildings developed and located in the Puerto Madero area. We own the two buildings which have a gross leaseable area of 6,389 square meters. In September 1999 we completed their construction and in April 2000 began to market the office spaces and 147 parking spaces. The main tenants of these properties are as follows: Leo Burnett Worldwide Invest. Inc., Italcred S.A., Coty Argentina S.A., and Yamaha Music Latin America.

Edificios Costeros, Dique IV, City of Buenos Aires. On August 29, 2001, we signed the deed of purchase of Section C of the office complex known as Puerto del Centro that includes buildings 5 and 6. The property is located in the Puerto Madero area and has approximately 5,500 square meters of gross leaseable area and 50 parking spaces. The building's principal tenants currently include Nextel Argentina S.A., Consultora de Estudios Bonaerense S.R.L., London Supply S.A.C.I.F.I., and Trafigura Argentina S.A.

Dock del Plata, City of Buenos Aires. Dock del Plata is an office building located at Alicia Moreau de Justo 400 in the Puerto Madero area acquired by us in November 2006. It is a 4-story building with an average surface per floor of 1,500 square meters and with 309 units of parking space. In the fiscal period ended June 30, 2009 the retail stores and 4 functional units were sold, accounting for 3,937 sqm, with the office leasable area now being 3,985 square meters. At present, the main tenants include AT & T Communications Serv. S.R.L., MCO LEX S.R.L and CA Argentina S.A.

Suipacha 652/64, City of Buenos Aires. Suipacha 652/64 is a 7-story office building located in the office district of the City of Buenos Aires. We own the entire building and 70 parking spaces. The building has unusually large floors, most measuring 1,580 square meters. This property underwent substantial renovations shortly after our subsidiary we acquired the deed in 1991 to prepare the building for rental. The building's principal tenants currently include Gameloft Argentina S.A., Monitor de Medios Publicitarios S.A, Organización de Servicios Directos Empresarios (OSDE) and APSA's subsidiary, Tarshop S.A.

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Other office properties. We also have interests in other office properties, all of which are located in the City of Buenos Aires. These properties are either entire buildings or portions of buildings, none of which contributed more than Ps. 0.8 million in annual rental income for fiscal year 2009. Among these properties are Madero 942 (sold in October 2008), Libertador 602, Av. de Mayo 595, Rivadavia 2768 and Sarmiento 517.

During fiscal 2009 we executed and delivered title deeds for the sale of 19,371 sqm of gross leasable area corresponding to non-strategic office assets in several transactions totaling approximately US\$ 52 million. These transactions include, besides those broken down above in the review: 7 functional units at Edificio Dock del Plata representative of 3,937 sqm of gross leasable area; a commercial property in Puerto Madero designated as Crucero I representative of 192 sqm of gross leasable area; 5 functional units at Edificio Libertador 498 representative of 3,099 sqm of gross leasable area; one functional unit at the property located in Av. Madero 942 representative of 768 sqm of gross leasable area; 5 floors at Edificio Laminar Plaza, representative of 6,520 sqm of gross leasable area and a block building along Reconquista street representative of 5,016 sqm of gross leasable area. This decision allows us to reinforce our financial robustness and to re-focus on consummating the potential business opportunities that are being added to our portfolio such as the incorporation into our portfolio of the Dique IV office building in May 2009 and the completion and start-up of the office building adjacent to the Dot Baires Shopping Center scheduled to be operational in the year 2010.

Retail and other properties. Our portfolio of leased properties as of June 30, 2009 includes ten leased properties that are leased as street retail, a warehouse, two leased undeveloped parcels of land and various other uses. Most of these properties are located in the City of Buenos Aires, although some are located in other cities in Argentina. These properties include Constitución 1111, Museo Renault, Thames and Santa María del Plata.

Hotels Operations.

At the end of the 1997 fiscal year, we acquired the Hotel Llao Llao, our first luxury hotel. Some months later, as part of the acquisition from Pérez Compañc of the Old Alto Palermo, we acquired an indirect 50% interest in the Hotel Intercontinental in Buenos Aires which we own through our subsidiary Inversora Bolívar. In March 1998, we acquired the Hotel Libertador. During fiscal year 1999, we sold a 20% interest in the Hotel Libertador to Hoteles Sheraton de Argentina S.A., (Hoteles Sheraton de Argentina) and during the fiscal year 2000, we sold 50% of our interest in the Hotel Llao Llao to the Sutton Group. During fiscal year 2007 we increased our share in Inversora Bolivar by 100% and obtained an indirect share in the Hotel Intercontinental of 76.34%.

The following chart shows certain information regarding our luxury hotels:

Hotel	Date of Acquisition	Our effective interest	Number of rooms	Average Occupancy ⁽¹⁾	Average price per room ⁽²⁾	Accumulated sales in Ps.000 as of June 30,			Book value as of 06/30/09 (Ps. 000)
						2009	2008	2007	
Intercontinental (3)	11/01/97	76.34%	309	71.9%	559	61,367	57,517	45,263	47,749
Sheraton Libertador (4)	03/01/98	80.00%	200	82.8%	449	37,060	34,526	29,338	37,778
Llao Llao (5)	06/01/97	50.00%	201	53.9%	1,078	60,486	56,804	48,080	74,191
Bariloche Plot of Land (5)	12/01/06	50.00%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	21,900
Total			710	69.8%	638	158,913	148,847	122,681	181,618

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Notes

- (1) Accumulated average in the twelve -month period.
- (2) Accumulated average in the twelve -month period.
- (3) Indirectly owned through Nuevas Fronteras S.A.(Subsidiary of Inversora Bolívar S.A.).
- (4) Indirectly owned through Hoteles Argentinos S.A.
- (5) Indirectly owned through Llao Llao Resorts S.A.

Hotel Llao Llao, San Carlos de Bariloche, Province of Río Negro. In June 1997 we acquired the Hotel Llao Llao from Llao Llao Holding S.A. 50% is currently owned by the Sutton Group. The Hotel Llao Llao is located on the Llao Llao peninsula, 25 kilometers from San Carlos de Bariloche and is one of the most important tourist hotels in Argentina. Surrounded by mountains and lakes, this hotel was designed and built by the famous architect Bustillo in a traditional alpine style and first opened in 1938. The hotel was renovated between 1990 and 1993 and has a total constructed surface area of 15,000 square meters and 158 rooms. The hotel-resort also includes an 18-hole golf course, tennis courts, health club, spa, game room and swimming pool. The hotel is a member of The Leading Hotels of the World, Ltd., a prestigious luxury hospitality organization representing 430 of the world's finest hotels, resorts and spas. The Hotel Llao Llao is currently being managed by Compañía de Servicios Hoteleros S.A. which manages the Alvear Palace Hotel, a luxury hotel located in the Recoleta neighborhood of Buenos Aires. During 2007, the hotel was subject to an expansion and the number of suites in the hotel rose to 201 rooms.

Hotel Intercontinental, City of Buenos Aires. In November 1997, we acquired 51% of the Hotel Intercontinental from the Pérez Companc S.A. The Hotel Intercontinental is located in the downtown City of Buenos Aires neighborhood of Monserrat, adjacent to the Intercontinental Plaza office building. Intercontinental Hotels Corporation, a United States corporation, currently owns 25% of the Hotel Intercontinental. The hotel's meeting facilities include eight meeting rooms, a convention center and a divisible 588 square meter ballroom. Other amenities include a restaurant, a business center, a spa and a fitness facility with swimming pool. The hotel was completed in December 1994 and has 309 rooms. The hotel is managed by the Intercontinental Hotels Corporation.

Hotel Sheraton Libertador, City of Buenos Aires. In March 1998 we acquired 100% of the Hotel Sheraton Libertador from Citicorp Equity Investment for an aggregate purchase price of US\$23 million. This hotel is located in downtown Buenos Aires. The hotel contains 193 rooms and 7 suites, eight meeting rooms, a restaurant, a business center, a spa and fitness facilities with a swimming pool. In March 1999, we sold 20% of our interest in the Sheraton Libertador Hotel for US\$4.7 million to Hoteles Sheraton de Argentina. The hotel is currently managed by Sheraton Overseas Management Corporation, a United States corporation.

Bariloche Plot of land, El Rancho, San Carlos de Bariloche, Province of Río Negro. On December 14, 2006, through our hotel operator subsidiary, Llao Llao Resorts S.A., we acquired a land covering 129,533 square meters of surface area in the City of San Carlos de Bariloche in the Province of Río Negro. The total price of the transaction was US\$7.0 million, of which US\$4.2 million were paid cash and the balance of US\$2.8 million was financed by means of a mortgage to be paid in 36 monthly, equal and consecutive installments of US\$0.086 million each. The land is in the border of the Lago Gutiérrez, close to the Hotel Llao Llao in an outstanding natural environment and it has a large cottage covering 1,000 square meters of surface area designed by the architect Ezequiel Bustillo.

Our Investment in Banco Hipotecario

We have a significant investment in Banco Hipotecario which represented 10.9% of our consolidated assets as of June 30, 2009. Established in 1886 by the Argentine

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government and privatized in 1999, Banco Hipotecario has historically been Argentina's leading mortgage lender, provider of mortgage-related insurance and mortgage loan services. All of its operations and customers are located in Argentina where it operates a nationwide network of 47 branches and 18 sales offices.

Banco Hipotecario is a full-service commercial bank offering a wide variety of banking activities and related financial services to individuals, small-and medium-sized companies and large corporations. As of June 30, 2009, Banco Hipotecario ranked third in the Argentine financial system in terms of shareholders' equity and tenth in terms of total assets. As of June 30, 2009, Banco Hipotecario's shareholders' equity was Ps.2,662.7 million, its assets were Ps.11,909.4 million, and its net income for the twelve-month period ended June 30, 2009 was Ps.50.5 million. Since 1999, Banco Hipotecario's shares have been listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange in Argentina, and since 2006 it has had a Level I GDR program.

Banco Hipotecario's business strategy is focused on leveraging its financial position and developing a diversified banking business built on its existing mortgage franchise. Since its debt restructuring in 2004, it began to make progress in this diversification strategy, growing its lending business and developing new business lines, implementing integrated technological solutions to enable its entry into retail banking, extending its marketing network and creating back-office services to support its new operations.

As part of its business diversification strategy, Banco Hipotecario expanded its products offering personal loans, mortgages and asset-backed loans. It also expanded its corporate loan product offerings and implemented certain customer loyalty strategies. In response to demand for retail and wholesale time deposits and savings accounts, Banco Hipotecario expanded its deposit base offering personal checking accounts and launched the Visa Banco Hipotecario credit card which has steadily grown in terms of market penetration and transaction size. Banco Hipotecario also continued its strategy of expanding the offering of non-mortgage related insurance products, including combined family, life, unemployment, health, personal accident and ATM theft insurance.

Banco Hipotecario seeks to achieve a balanced portfolio of mortgage loans, consumer financing and corporate credit lines, while maintaining an adequate risk management policy. As of June 30, 2009, its portfolio of non-mortgage loans represented 53.7% of its total loan portfolio, compared to 51.7% as of June 30, 2008.

During the twelve-month period ended June 30, 2009, Banco Hipotecario also experienced continued growth in deposits, including savings accounts and time deposits.

The following table sets forth Banco Hipotecario's sources of funding as of the dates indicated.

	As of December 31, 2007		As of June 30 2008		2009
Checking accounts	Ps.	35.5	Ps.	40.3	Ps. 68.8
Saving accounts		190.9		178.1	215.6
Time deposits		1,069.0		1,657.3	3,019.8
Other deposit accounts		29.3		32.4	62.7
Accrued interest payable		10.1		18.2	45.3
Total	Ps.	1,334.8	Ps.	1,926.3	Ps. 3,412.2

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Seasonality

Our shopping centers business unit is subject to strong seasonality. During the summer holiday season (January and February) our tenants experience their minimum sales levels, compared to the winter holiday season (July) and December (Christmas) when our tenants tend to reach their peak sales figures. Clothes and footwear tenants tend to change their collections in the spring and fall. This has a positive effect on the sales of stores. Discount sales at the end of each season also have a major impact on our business.

Competition

Shopping centers

We compete in the shopping center sector through our subsidiary APSA. Because most of our shopping centers are located in developed and highly populated areas, there are competing shopping centers within, or in close proximity to, our targeted areas. The number of shopping centers in a particular area could have a material effect on our ability to lease space in our shopping centers and on the amount of rent that we are able to charge. Our belief is that due to the limited availability of large plots of land and zoning restrictions in the City of Buenos Aires, it will be difficult for other companies to compete with us in areas through the development of new shopping center properties. Our principal competitor is Cencosud S.A. which owns and operates Unicenter shopping center and the Jumbo hypermarket chain, among others.

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The following chart shows certain information relating to the most important owners and operators of shopping centers in Argentina:

Company	Shopping Center	Location ⁽¹⁾	Gross leaseable area	Shops	% Overall national gross leaseable area ⁽²⁾ (%)	% Stores ^{b2} (%)
APSA						
	Abasto de Buenos Aires	CABA	41,336	173	2.79%	3.19%
	Alto Palermo Shopping	CABA	18,635	145	1.26%	2.68%
	Buenos Aires Design ⁽³⁾	CABA	13,750	64	0.93%	1.18%
	Dot Baires Shopping	CABA	49,731	153	3.37%	2.82%
	Paseo Alcorta ⁽⁴⁾	CABA	53,035	111	3.59%	2.05%
	Patio Bullrich	CABA	11,741	85	0.79%	1.57%
	Córdoba Shopping ⁽⁴⁾	Córdoba	22,771	106	1.54%	1.96%
	Alto Avellaneda ⁽⁴⁾	GBA	37,298	144	2.52%	2.66%
	Mendoza Plaza Shopping ⁽⁴⁾	Mendoza	41,118	150	2.78%	2.77%
	Alto Rosario (4)	Rosario	40,901	145	2.76%	2.68%
	Alto Noa ⁽⁴⁾	Salta	18,851	88	1.27%	1.62%
			349,167	1,364	23.60%	25.18%
Cencosud S.A.						
	Portal de Palermo ⁽⁴⁾	CABA	32,252	36	2.18%	0.65%
	Portal de Madryn	Chubut	4,100	26	0.28%	0.48%
	Factory Parque Brown ⁽⁴⁾	GBA	31,468	91	2.13%	1.68%
	Factory Quilmes ⁽⁴⁾	GBA	40,405	47	2.73%	0.87%
	Factory San Martín ⁽⁴⁾	GBA	35,672	31	2.41%	0.57%
	Las Palmas del Pilar Shopping ⁽⁴⁾	GBA	50,906	131	3.44%	2.42%
	Plaza Oeste Shopping ⁽⁴⁾	GBA	41,120	146	2.78%	2.70%
	Portal Canning ⁽⁴⁾	GBA	15,114	21	1.02%	0.39%
	Portal de Escobar ⁽⁴⁾	GBA	31,995	31	2.16%	0.57%
	Portal Lomas ⁽⁴⁾	GBA	32,883	50	2.22%	0.92%
	Unicenter Shopping ⁽⁴⁾	GBA	94,279	287	6.37%	5.30%
	Portal de los Andes (4)	Mendoza	30,558	47	2.07%	0.87%
	Portal de la Patagonia ⁽⁴⁾	Neuquén	34,230	93	2.31%	1.72%
	Portal de Rosario ⁽⁴⁾	Rosario	66,361	182	4.49%	3.36%
	Portal de Tucumán ⁽⁴⁾	Tucumán	21,301	94	1.44%	1.74%
	Subtotal		562,644	1,313	38.03%	24.24%
Other Operators						
	Subtotal		567,758	2,740	38.37%	50.58%
	Total		1,479,569	5,417	100.00%	100.00%

(1) GBA means Greater Buenos Aires, the Buenos Aires metropolitan area, and CABA means the City of Buenos Aires.

(2) Percentage over total shopping centers in Argentina that are members of the Argentine Chamber of Shopping Centers (CASC). Figures may not sum due to rounding.

(3) The effective interest held by Alto Palermo S.A. in ERSA, the company that operates the concession of this building, is 53.7%.

(4) Includes total leaseable area occupied by supermarkets and hypermarkets.

Source: Argentine Chamber of Shopping Centers.

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Consumer Financing

The consumer financing market in Argentina is highly competitive due to (i) the active participation in this market of substantially all international and domestic banks conducting business in Argentina, most of which have substantially greater financial resources than we do and (ii) the strong market position of both Visa and Mastercard in Argentina. Our main competitors in various segments of the credit card market include:

International and domestic cards: Visa, Master, AMEX, Cabal and Diners.

Regional cards: Naranja, Provencred, Credilogros, Italcared, Carta Sur and Credial.

Closed cards: Falabella, Garbarino, Frávega, Musimundo, Carrefour and Johnson s.

Banks: Columbia, Itaú, Comafi, Privado, Hipotecario, Macro, Standard Bank.

International financial companies: GE Money, Cetelem and AIG (Efectivo Sí).

Development and Sale of Properties

A large number of companies are currently competing with us in the development and sale of properties in Argentina, as this segment is highly fragmented. In addition, there is a large supply of comparable properties in the vicinity of our developed properties. This may adversely affect our ability to sell our developed properties at prices that generate a positive return on our investment.

Offices and Other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties

Substantially all of our offices and other non-shopping center rentals properties are located in developed urban areas. There are many office buildings, shopping malls, retail and residential premises in the areas where our properties are located. This is a highly fragmented market, and the abundance of comparable properties in our vicinity may adversely affect our ability to rent or sell office space and other real estate and may affect the sale and lease price of our premises.

In the future, both national and foreign companies may participate in Argentina s real estate development market, competing with us for business opportunities. Moreover, in the future we may participate in the development of real estate in foreign markets, potentially encountering well established competitors.

Hotel Operations

We own three luxury hotels in Argentina which are managed through strategic alliances by international operators including Sheraton Overseas Management Corporation, Intercontinental Hotels Corporation and the local operator Compañía de Servicios Hoteleros S.A. which manages the Hotel Alvear. The Hotel Llao Llao is unique for its landscape and beauty, and our other two hotels, Hotel Intercontinental and Hotel Sheraton Libertador, are located in the City of Buenos Aires. We compete with many other leading luxury hotels in the City of Buenos Aires including, among others: Abasto Plaza, Alvear Palace, Caesar Park, Claridge, Emperador, Feir s Park, Four Seasons, Hilton, Loi Suites, Marriot Plaza, Meliá, NH City, Panamericano, Sheraton, Sofitel, Madero, MayFlower, Etoile, Faena, and Regal Pacific.

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New Projects and Undeveloped Properties.

Arcos del Gourmet. In August 2007, APSA exercised the option to purchase a 75% interest in a company engaged in the development of a cultural, recreational and entertainment complex in the Palermo neighborhood in Buenos Aires. APSA paid US\$ 0.6 million for the option, which is accounted for under other non current investments. The purchase was subject to certain approvals by the regulatory authorities which have not been obtained as of the date of this Annual Report.

Once the approvals were obtained, APSA would have to make a total investment of US\$ 24.4 million.

APSA and the seller had certain disagreements as to whether the conditions were fulfilled and accordingly exchanged formal letters with the respective positions.

As a subsequent event, the parties have agreed certain modifications to the original agreement, so the closing of this operation was carried out as follows:

On November 27, 2009 APSA acquired 7,916,488 non endorsable, registered common shares, with a face value of Ps. 1 each and with 1 voting right per share, representing 80% of the capital stock of Arcos.

As of the date of issuance of these Financial Statements, Arcos is the holder of a concession granted by ONABE (the Federal Organism of Properties Management) by which the Company has the rights to exploit a site with a surface of approximately 5,813 square meters and the related parking lot with a surface of approximately 28,881 square meters.

The agreed price for the shares acquired by APSA is the following: 1) US\$ 4.3 million corresponding to the 40% of the shares of Arcos; 2) for the remaining 40% of the shares the price was settled in: 2.a) a fixed amount of US\$ 0.8 million with plus 2.b) 20% of the investment needed to develop the project as it is explained as follows.

The parties agreed to pay the price indicated above, in 1) the sum of US\$ 0.3 million was already paid; the sum of US\$ 2.0 million was paid at the time of the signature of the share purchase agreement and the remaining balance will be paid in two annual equal installments, which will mature on November 27, 2010 and November 27, 2011, respectively. The portion of the price indicated in 2.a) above the sum of US\$ 0.3 million was paid in time and the sum of US\$ 0.5 million will be paid when the meeting of shareholders approving the increase in Arcos capital in US\$ 2.7 million. The portion of the price indicated in 2.b) will be paid by APSA at the time of the eventual capital increases necessary to the development of the project, which must be approved by the respective authorities, in accordance with that agreed by the respective parties through the limit of US\$ 6.9 million. In this latter case, APSA must pay in such way that the sellers can paid-in the 20% of those increases, then with the amounts paid by APSA.

Execution of Letter of Intent. On June 30, 2009, APSA executed a Letter of Intent with an unrelated party to purchase a 10,022 square meter property in the City of Paraná, Province of Entre Rios, Argentina. APSA intends to construct a shopping center on the site. The purchase price amounts to US\$ 0.5 million. In July 2009, APSA paid US\$ 0.05 million in advance to secure the Company's right of first offer through November 27, 2009 when the Letter of Intent expires.

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Purchase of the Anchorena building. On August 7, 2008, APSA signed an agreement by which we acquired functional units number one and two with an area of 2,267.5 square meters and 608.37 square meters located at Dr. Tomas Manuel de Anchorena street No. 665, 667, 669 and 671, between Tucumán and Zelaya streets. The total agreed-upon price amounts to US\$ 2 million which has been paid on January 15, 2009 when the title deed was signed.

On August 7, 2008, we signed an agreement by which we acquired functional unit number three with an area of 988 square meters, located at Dr. Tomas Manuel de Anchorena street No. 665, 667, 669 and 671, between Tucumán and Zelaya streets. The total agreed-upon price amounts to US\$ 1.3 million which has been paid on January 15, 2009 when the title deed was signed.

As of June 30, 2009, the total amount paid for the acquired functional units above mentioned was US\$ 3.3 million.

Torres Rosario Project, City of Rosario, Province of Santa Fe. The project spans over an entire block, sub-divided into 8 parcels covering approximately 50,000 square meters overall. As of June 30, 2009, a barter was executed over 2 of the 8 parcels with Condominios del Alto S.A. (parcels 2 G and 2 H) with 6 parcels pending sale and amounting to approximately 31,000 square meters of surface area in the aggregate.

Acquisition of Soleil Factory shopping center business. On December 28, 2007, APSA entered into an agreement with INCSA, an unrelated party, for the acquisition of Soleil Factory shopping center business, for an aggregate purchase price of US\$ 20.7 million, of which US\$ 8.1 million were paid. The transaction is subject to certain suspensive conditions. Upon fulfillment of the conditions and transfer of the business, the remaining balance of the purchase price amounting to US\$ 12.6 million will accrue interest at a fixed rate of 5% per year. This balance will be paid in seven annual and consecutive installments starting on the first anniversary of the execution of the contract. As part of the same agreement, APSA entered into an offer to acquire, construct and operate a shopping center on land property of INCSA located in San Miguel de Tucumán, Province of Tucumán, in the northwest of Argentina. This transaction is also subject to the completion of the Soleil Factory transaction among other suspensive conditions. The parties determined the value of this transaction to be US\$ 1.3 million, of which a de minimis amount was paid in January 2008.

PAMSA-Dot Baires Offices. PAMSA, an APSA subsidiary, is in the process of completing the development of an office building with a gross leasable area of 9,700 sqm adjacent to the shopping center opened in May 2009, Dot Baires. This building will be operational in early 2010 and will be our first venture in the rental office corridor in the northern area of the City of Buenos Aires.

Neuquén Project, Province of Neuquén. The main asset of the project is a plot of land of approximately 50,000 square meters. The project contemplates the construction of a shopping center, a hypermarket, a hotel and an apartment building.

On June 12, 2009, a new agreement was executed with the Municipality of Neuquén whereby we were required to submit the blueprints of the new Road Project (including the additions to the project agreed upon) and the blueprints of the Modified General Project within a

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90-day term. Once such blueprints are registered, a 30-day term starts to run for the Municipality to render an opinion and as soon as the Parties agree on any potential objections raised against the Projects by the Municipality, APSA must start with the works within a 90-day term.

Ex Escuela Gobernador Vicente de Olmos, Córdoba, Province of Córdoba. In November 2006 APSA participated in a public bidding called by Corporación Inmobiliaria Córdoba S.A. for the sale of the building known as Ex Escuela Gobernador Vicente de Olmos, located in the City of Córdoba. The building has 5,147 square meters of surface area. Inside the building there is a portion of the Patio Olmos shopping center, which operates in four commercial plants and has two underground parking lots. This shopping center also includes two neighboring buildings with cinemas and a commercial annex connected to sector covered by the call for bids and legally related through easement contracts. The building is under a concession contract effective for a 40-year term, expiring in February 2032, in which APSA acts as grantor. On September 25, 2007, the Government of the Province of Córdoba executed and delivered the title deed conveying the property where the Patio Olmos Shopping Center is currently operating, together with the transfer of the respective concession contract. At June 30, 2009, the concession was in its 208th month with royalties in force for Ps. 12,565 per month.

Caballito Plot of Land, Ferro Project. This is a property of approximately 23,389 square meters in the City of Buenos Aires, neighborhood of Caballito, one of the most densely populated of the city, which APSA purchased in November 1997. This plot would allow developing a shopping center having 30,000 square meters, a hypermarket, a cinema complex, and several recreation and entertainment activity areas. APSA is currently working to define the commercial project. At present, the legislature of the City of Buenos Aires has received a legislative bill to approve the zoning parameters corresponding to this property and it has been consented to by the City's executive branch.

Coto Residential Project. APSA is the owner of an air space of about 24,000 sqm above the Coto hypermarket that is close to our Abasto Shopping Center in the heart of the City of Buenos Aires. APSA and Coto executed and delivered a deed dated September 24, 1997 whereby APSA acquired the rights to receive parking units and the rights to build on top of the premises located in the block formed by the streets Agüero, Lavalle, Guardia Vieja and Gallo, in the Abasto neighborhood. As an event subsequent to the close of the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, a conditional barter agreement was executed, pursuant to which APSA would transfer to CYRSA 112 parking units and the rights to erect on top of the hypermarket two building towers in so far as a number of conditions are met. In exchange, CYRSA would deliver to APSA an as of yet undefined number of units in the building to be erected equivalent to 25% of the square meters that as a whole do not total less than four thousand and fifty-three square meters, with fifty square centimeters of own square meters to be built on the whole. Additionally, in the event there were any, CYRSA would deliver to us a number of storage spaces equivalent to 25% of the storage spaces in the building to be erected. In addition, in the event of meeting the conditions precedent applicable to the transaction, CYRSA would pay to APSA US\$ 88,815 and would proceed with the works in the parking lots that APSA would receive from Coto. This payment would be made within 30 running days as from the execution of the barter deed. For this barter to be consummated, the conditions precedent require Coto, the current owner of the real estate mentioned above that currently hosts a hypermarket, retail stores and parking spaces, to provide certain essential services. Possession over the real estate shall be conveyed upon executing the title deed, scheduled to take place within 30 days counted as from the date on which APSA notify CYRSA of compliance with the conditions precedent. The transaction between CYRSA and us totals US\$ 5.9 million.

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Beruti Plot of Land. In June 2008, APSA acquired a plot of land situated at Berutti 3351/3359, between Bulnes and Avenida Coronel Díaz in Palermo, a neighborhood in the City of Buenos Aires quite close to our Shopping Center known as Shopping Alto Palermo. The transaction involved a surface area of 3,207 square meters for a price of US\$ 17.8 million. This has been a significant acquisition because of the strategic location of the property, in the immediate vicinity of our main shopping center.

Regulation and Government Supervision

The laws and regulations governing the acquisition and transfer of real estate, as well as municipal zoning ordinances, are applicable to the development and operation of our properties.

Currently, Argentine law does not specifically regulate shopping center lease agreements. Since our shopping center leases generally differ from ordinary commercial leases, we have created standard provisions that govern the relationship with our shopping center tenants.

Leases

Argentine law imposes certain restrictions on landlords, including:

a prohibition to include price adjustment clauses based on inflation increases in lease agreements; and

the imposition of a three-year minimum lease term for retail property, except in the case of stands and/or spaces in markets and fairs. Although our lease agreements were U.S. dollar-denominated, Decree No. 214/2002, Decree No. 762/2002 and Law N° 25,820 that amended the Public Emergency Law, provided that monetary obligations in force as of January 7, 2002 arising from agreements governed by private law and which provided for payments in U.S. dollars were subject to the following rules:

financial obligations were to be paid in Pesos at the exchange rate of Ps.1.00 = US\$1.00 plus the CER for commercial leases;

from October 1, 2002 and until March 31, 2004 for residential leases, the obligations where the tenant is an individual and the dwelling is used as the family residence of permanent use were to be paid in Pesos at the exchange rate of Ps.1.00 = US\$1.00 plus the CVS;

if because of the application of these provisions, the amount of the installment were higher or lower than the amount at the moment of the payment, any of the parties could require an equitable adjustment of the price. If the parties did not reach an agreement, the judicial courts could decide about the difference in each particular case; and

pursuant to Decree No. 117/2004 and Law No. 25,796 that amends Law No. 25,713, the CVS became unenforceable since April 1, 2004.

Under the Argentine Civil Code, lease terms may not exceed ten years, except for leases regulated by Law No. 25,248 (which provides that real estate leases containing purchase options *leasing inmobiliario*- are not subject to term limitations). Generally, terms in our lease agreements go from 3 to 10 years.

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Despite this restriction, in November 2007, the Judicial Courts authorized APSA to enter into a lease agreement with Wal Mart Argentina SRL for a term of 30 years. This exception was authorized taking into consideration the size of the investment required and the amount of time that was necessary to recoup this investment. In June 2008, APSA requested the judicial courts a new authorization to enter into a lease agreement with Falabella for a term of 30 years. In August 2008, the judicial courts rejected the request and in November 2008 APSA appealed this decision. In June 2009, the Appeal Court also rejected APSA's request and as a result such matter has been concluded.

Lease Law No. 23,091, as amended by Law No. 24,808 provides that tenants may rescind commercial lease agreements after the first six months by sending a written notice at least 60 days before the termination of the contract. Such rescission is subject to penalties which range from one to one and a half months of rent. If the tenant rescinds during the first year of the lease the penalty is one and a half months' rent and if the rescission occurs after the first year of lease the penalty is one month's rent.

While current Argentine government policy discourages government regulation of lease agreements, there can be no assurance that additional regulations will not be imposed in the future by the Argentine Congress, including regulations similar to those previously in place. Furthermore, most of our leases provide that the tenants pay all costs and taxes related to the property in proportion to their respective leasable areas]. In the event of a significant increase in the amount of such costs and taxes, the Argentine government may respond to political pressure to intervene by regulating this practice, thereby negatively affecting our rental income. The Argentine Civil and Commercial Procedure Code enables the lessor to pursue what is known as an executory proceeding where lessees fail to pay rent. In executory proceedings debtors have fewer defenses available to prevent foreclosure, making these proceedings substantially shorter than ordinary ones. In executory proceedings the origin of the debt is not under discussion; the trial focuses on the instrument of the debt itself. The aforementioned code also permits special eviction proceedings, which are carried out in the same way as ordinary proceedings. The Argentine Civil Code enables judges to summon tenants who fall two months in arrears to vacate the property they are renting within 10 days of having received notice to such effect. However, historically, large court dockets and numerous procedural hurdles have resulted in significant delays to evictions proceedings, which generally last from six months to two years from the date of filing of the suit to the time of actual eviction.

Development and Land Use

Buenos Aires Urban Planning Code. Our real estate activities are subject to several municipal zoning, building and environmental regulations. In the city of Buenos Aires, where the vast majority of our real estate properties are located, the Buenos Aires Urban Planning Code (*Código de Planeamiento Urbano de la Ciudad de Buenos Aires*) generally restricts the density and use of property and controls physical features of improvements on property, such as height, design, set-back and overhang, consistent with the city's urban landscape policy. The administrative agency in charge of the Urban Planning Code is the Secretary of Urban Planning of the City of Buenos Aires.

Buenos Aires Building Code. The Buenos Aires Building Code (*Código de la Edificación de la Ciudad de Buenos Aires*) complements the Buenos Aires Urban Planning Code and

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regulates the structural use and development of property in the city of Buenos Aires. The Buenos Aires Building Code requires builders and developers to file applications for building permits, including the submission to the Secretary of Work and Public Services (*Secretaría de Obras y Servicios Públicos*) of architectural plans for review, to assure compliance therewith.

We believe that all of our real estate properties are in material compliance with all relevant laws, ordinances and regulations.

Sales and Ownership

Real Estate Installment Sales Law. The Real Estate Installment Sales Law No. 14,005, as amended by Law No. 23,266 and Decree No. 2015/1985, imposes a series of requirements on contracts for the sale of subdivided plots of land regarding, for example, the sale price which is paid in installments and the deed, which is not conveyed until final payment. The provisions of this law require, among other things:

The registration of the intention to sell the property in subdivided plots in the Real Estate Registry (Registro de la Propiedad Inmueble) corresponding to the jurisdiction of the property. Registration will only be possible in connection with unencumbered property. Mortgaged property may only be registered where creditors agree to divide the debt in accordance with the subdivided plots, although creditors may be judicially compelled to agree to the division.

The preliminary registration with the Real Estate Registry of the purchase instrument must be made within 30 days of execution of the agreements.

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the preliminary registration with the Real Estate Registry of the purchase instrument within 30 days of execution of the agreements. Once the property is registered, the installment sale may not occur in a manner inconsistent with the Real Estate Installment Sales Act, unless seller registers his decision to desist from the sale in installments with the Real Estate Registry. In the event of a dispute over the title between the purchaser and third-party creditors of the seller, the installment purchaser who has duly registered the purchase instrument will obtain the deed to the plot. Further, the purchaser can demand conveyance of title after at least 25% of the purchase price has been paid, although the seller may demand a mortgage to secure payment of the balance of the purchase price.

After payment of 25% of the purchase price or the construction of improvements on the property equal to at least 50% of the property value, the Real Estate Installment Sales Act prohibits the rescission of the sales contract for failure by the purchaser to pay the balance of the purchase price. However, in such event the seller may take action under any mortgage on the property.

Consumer Protection Law. Consumer Protection Law No. 24,240, as amended, regulates several issues concerning the protection of consumers in the arrangement and execution of

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contracts. The Consumer Protection Law purports to prevent potential abuses deriving from the strong bargaining position of sellers of goods and services in a mass-market economy where standard form contracts are widespread. As a result, the Consumer Protection Law deems void and unenforceable certain contractual provisions in consumer contracts, including those which:

warranty and liability disclaimers;

waiver of consumer rights;

extension of seller rights; and

shifting of the burden of proof against consumers.

In addition, the Consumer Protection Law imposes penalties ranging from fines to closing down of establishments in order to induce compliance from sellers.

The Consumer Protection Law defines consumers or users, as the individuals or legal entities that acquire or use goods or services free of charge or for a price for final use for of their own benefit or that of their family or social group. It also includes the acquisition of rights on a time-share leasing, country club, private cemetery, among others.

In addition, the Consumer Protection Law defines the suppliers of goods and services as the individuals or legal entities, either public or private that in a professional way, even occasionally, produce, import, distribute or commercialize goods or supply services to consumers or users.

The Consumer Protection Law excludes the services supplied by professionals that require a college degree and registration in officially recognized professional organizations or by a governmental authority. However, this law regulates the advertisements that promotes the services of such professionals.

The Consumer Protection Law determines that the information contained in the offer addressed to undetermined prospective consumers, binds the offeror during the period in which the offer takes place and until its public revocation. Further, it determines that specifications included in advertisements, announcements, prospectuses, circulars or other media bind the offeror and are considered part of the contract entered into by the consumer. On June 2005, Resolution No. 104/05, which complements the Consumer Protection Law, adopted MERCOSUR's Resolution on which requires that those who engage in commerce over the Internet (E-Business) to disclose in a precise and clear manner the characteristics of the products and/or services offered and the sale terms.

Buildings Law. Buildings Law No. 19,724, as amended, sets forth a regime for the construction of buildings for later subdivision into condominium (*Propiedad Horizontal*). Under this law, developers must inform potential purchasers of their intention to sell the building as a condominium, as well as of all sale conditions, and the size of each unit in relation to the whole building. The sale of these units is subject to subdivision approval and in order to be included in Buildings Law regime must be registered with the Real Estate Registry (*Registro de la Propiedad Inmueble*). This law also states that, in the event that construction is not completed, all amounts already deposited must be repaid to the purchasers.

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Mortgage Regulation. The Argentine Civil Code regulates mortgages both as a contract and as a right over property. There are no special provisions in the Civil Code aimed at protecting mortgagors. Any agreement entered into by a mortgagor and a mortgagee at time of execution of the mortgage or prior to the default of the mortgagor allowing the mortgagee to recover the property without a public auction of the property will not be enforced by the courts as contrary to Argentine public policy.

Until the enactment of Trust Law No. 24,441, the only procedure available to collect unpaid amounts secured by a mortgage was a proceeding regulated by the Civil and Commercial Procedure Code. The heavy caseload on the courts that hear such matters usually delays the proceeding, which currently takes 1 to 2 years to complete.

Chapter V of Trust Law No. 24,441 institutes a new procedure which may expedite collection of unpaid amounts secured by a mortgage. To be applicable, the new rules, which allow an out-of-court auction, need to be expressly agreed to by the parties in the mortgage contract.

Currently, we include in our mortgages a clause enabling the enforcement of Law No. 24,441. However, there can be no assurance that such collection provisions will accelerate the recovery of unpaid amounts under mortgage guarantees.

The Argentine Government has tried to avoid the massive foreclosure of mortgages since the 2001 crisis. The Public Emergency Law, as amended, established the suspension for the term of 270 days from the enactment of that law, of all the judicial or non-judicial enforcement procedures, including the enforcement of mortgages and pledges, regardless of their origin. On February 14, 2002, Law No. 25,563 amending the Bankruptcy Law (the New Bankruptcy Law) was enacted. Under the New Bankruptcy Law, certain bankruptcies and foreclosures (including foreclosures on mortgage loans) were suspended for a period of 180 days from the law's effective date. Such period was extended for 180 additional days by law N° 25,589 and afterwards for 90 additional days more by Law No. 25,640 dated September 2002, expiring on February 2003.

On February 4, 2003, the Executive Branch enacted Decree No. 204/2003 creating a mediation proceeding, for a limited period of 90 days, to be conducted through the Legal Emergency Units (*Unidades de Emergencias Legales*) depending from the Ministry of Labor, Employment and Social Security and the Ministry of Production. Such Emergency Legal Units shall intervene at the request of debtors or creditors in foreclosure cases.

The mediation procedure was voluntary and free. Proposals and negotiations made by the parties were subject to the confidentiality of ordinary mediations. The mediation procedure in no case shall result in the suspension or interruption of the legal terms running in judicial or out-of-court foreclosure proceedings.

The Legal Emergency Units should try to approximate the parties' proposals to reach an agreement enabling the debtor the performance of his obligations without lessening the creditor's rights. The intervention of the Emergency Legal Units shall conclude with an agreement or with the impossibility of reaching such agreement. The Decree establishes that the conciliation proceeding shall be in force from the day of its publication in the Official Gazette and will have a term

On May 2003, the Argentine Congress enacted Law No. 25,737 which suspended foreclosures for an additional period of 90 days, which ended in May 2003. On September 2003,

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several financial institutions voluntarily agreed not to foreclose on their mortgage loans. On November 2005, the Argentine congress enacted Law No. 26,062 that extended the foreclosures suspension for an additional 120 days period, which was extended for 90 days more by Law No. 26,084 and for 180 days more by Law No. 26,103. Pursuant to these successive extensions, foreclosure on mortgaged property was suspended until December 2006.

On November 6, 2003 Law No. 25,798 was enacted. It established a mechanism to reschedule debts resulting from unpaid mortgages, by creating a trust (paid by the Argentine Government) which would purchase the mortgage debts and reschedule the maturity date. Financial institutions were given until June 22, 2004 to accept said terms. This law was partially modified by Law No. 25,908 (enacted on July 13, 2004) which included various conditions referring to the incorporation into this system of the mortgage loans that were in judicial or private execution proceedings. The parties to secured loan agreements were given a term to express their adhesion to this system. This term was extended twice first by Decree No. 352/2004 for a period of sixty days and then by Law No. 26,062 effective as of November 4, 2005, which extended the foreclosures suspension for an additional 120 days, which was again extended for 90 days more by Law No. 26,084 and for 180 days more by Law No. 26,103.

On November 8, 2006, Law No. 26,167 was enacted. It established a special proceeding to replace ordinary trials for the enforcement of some mortgage loans. These special proceedings give creditors ten days to inform the debtor of the amounts owed to them and agree with the debtor on the amount and terms of payment. In case the parties fail to reach an agreement, payment conditions are to be determined by the judge. Also, this law established the suspension of the execution of judicial judgments, judicial and extrajudicial auctions, evictions and other proceedings related to the mortgage loans contemplated in this law.

Most mortgages executed by us provide that we are empowered to declare the anticipated expiration of the loan upon non-payment of an installment. This enables us to recover the unpaid amounts through the sale of the relevant property pursuant to the Civil and Commercial Procedure Code and Law No. 24,441.

Pursuant to Argentine law, fees and expenses related to collection procedures must be borne by the debtor, and the proceeds from any auction of the property may be used for the settlement of such obligation.

Although our mortgages are U.S. dollar-denominated, Decree No. 214/2002 and Decree No. 762/2002 that amend the Public Emergency Law provide that monetary obligations in force as of January 7, 2002, resulting from agreements governed by private law and which provide for payments in U.S. dollars are subject to the following rules:

financial obligations were to be paid in Pesos at the exchange rate of Ps.1.00 = US\$1.00 plus the CER for commercial leases;

from October 1, 2002 and until March 31, 2004 for residential leases, the obligations where the tenant is an individual and the dwelling is used as the family residence of permanent use were to be paid in Pesos at the exchange rate of Ps.1.00 = US\$1.00 plus the CVS;

if because of the application of these provisions, the amount of the installment were higher or lower than the amount at the moment of the payment, any of the parties could require an equitable adjustment of the price. If the parties did not reach an agreement, the judicial courts could decide about the difference in each particular case; and

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pursuant to Decree No. 117/2004 and Law No. 25,796 that amends Law No. 25,713, the CVS became unenforceable since April 1, 2004.

Protection for the Disabled Law. The Protection for the Disabled Law No. 22,431, enacted on March 20, 1981, as amended, provides that in connection with the construction and renovation of buildings, obstructions to access must be eliminated in order to enable access by handicapped individuals. In the construction of public buildings, entrances, transit pathways and adequate facilities for mobility impaired individuals must be provided.

Buildings constructed before the enforcement of the Protection for the Disabled Law must be adapted to provide accesses, transit pathways and adequate facilities for mobility-impaired individuals. Those pre-existing buildings, which due to their architectural design may not be adapted to the use by mobility-impaired individuals, are exempted from the fulfillment of these requirements. The Protection for the Disabled Law provides that residential buildings must ensure access by mobility impaired individuals to elevators and aisles.

Credit Cards Law. Law No. 25,065, amended by Law No. 26,010 and Law No. 26,361, regulates different aspects of the business known as credit card system. The regulations impose minimum contractual contents and the approval thereof by the Industry, Commerce and Mining Secretary (*Secretaría de Industria, Comercio y Minería de la Nación*), as well as the limitations on the interest to be collected by users and the commissions to the stores adhering to the system. The Credit Card Law applies to banking and non-banking cards, such as Tarjeta Shopping issued by Tarshop.

Antitrust Law. Law No. 25,156, as amended, prevents trust practices and requires administrative authorization for transactions that according to the Antitrust Law constitute an economic concentration. According to this law, mergers, transfers of goodwill, acquisitions of property or rights over shares, capital or other convertible securities, or similar operations by which the acquirer controls or substantially influences a company, are considered as an economic concentration. Whenever an economic concentration involves a company or companies which exceed the accumulated sales volume by approximately Ps.200.0 million in Argentina; then the respective concentration should be submitted for approval to the *Comisión Nacional de Defensa de la Competencia*, or Antitrust Authority. The request for approval may be filed, either prior to the transaction or within a week after its completion.

When a request for approval is filed, the Antitrust Authority may (i) authorize the transaction, (ii) subordinate the transaction to the accomplishment of certain conditions, or (iii) reject the authorization.

The Antitrust Law provides that economic concentrations in which the transaction amount and the value of the assets absorbed, acquired, transferred or controlled in Argentina, do not exceed Ps.20.0 million are exempted from the administrative authorization. Notwithstanding the foregoing, when the transactions effected during the prior 12-month period exceed in total Ps.20.0 million or Ps.60.0 million in the last 36 months, these transactions must be notified to the Antitrust Authority.

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As the consolidated annual sales volume of APSA and IRSA exceed Ps.200.0 million, we should give notice to the Antitrust Authority of any concentration provided for by the Antitrust Law.

After we sold the Edificio Costeros, dique II, we asked on November 20, 2009 if it was necessary to notify this operation.

After we sold Reconquista 823/41 on April 27, 2009, we asked the Antitrust Authority if it was necessary to notify this operation. On August 14, 2009, the Antitrust Authority informed us that it was not necessary to report this sale.

After our acquisition of Bouchard 557, we asked the Argentine Antitrust Authority whether it was necessary to notify it of such acquisition. The Antitrust Authority advised us that we were in fact required to notify it, and the pertinent court ratified such decision. Consequently, on April 22, 2008, the notice of the operation was filed with the Antitrust Authority. On June 10, 2009, the Antitrust Authority authorized the acquisition of Bouchard 557.

After we sold the 29.85% interest in Bouchard 557, to Techint Compañía Técnica Internacional Sociedad Anónima Comercial e Industrial, we asked the Antitrust Authority if it was necessary to notify this operation. On July 4, 2008, the Antitrust Authority informed us that it was not necessary to report this sale.

We filed a new request for the Antitrust Authority's opinion regarding our acquisition of Bank Boston Tower on August 30, 2007. The Antitrust Authority advised us that we were in fact required to so notify it, and we challenged this opinion in the local courts.

On May 6, 2008, we filed with the Antitrust Authority a request for its opinion as to the need to notify the Antitrust Authority the acquisition of Edificio República. The Antitrust Authority advised us that we were in fact required to so notify it. We challenged this opinion in the local courts.

On January 15, 2007 we were notified of two claims filed against us before the Antitrust Authority, one by a private individual and the other one by the licensee of the shopping center, both opposing the acquisition from the province of Córdoba of a property known as Ex-Escuela Gobernador Vicente de Olmos. On February 1, 2007 we responded the claims. On June 26, 2007, the Antitrust Authority notified us that it has initiated a summary proceeding to determine whether the completion of the transaction breaches the Antitrust Law. As of the date of this filing the result of this proceeding has not been determined.

On January 22, 2008, APSA requested the Antitrust Authority's clearance for the transfer of the Soleil Factory shopping center. As of the date of this filing, the Antitrust Authority has not reached a decision.

On December 3, 2009, APSA requested the Antitrust Authority's clearance for the transfer of the shares of Arcos Gourmet. As of the date of this filing, the Antitrust Authority has not reached a decision.

Environment. Our activities are subject to a number of national, provincial and municipal environmental provisions. Section 41 of the Argentine Constitution, as amended in 1994, provides that all Argentine inhabitants have the right to a healthy and balanced environment fit for human development and have the duty to preserve it. Environmental damage shall bring about primarily the

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obligation to restore it as provided by applicable law. The authorities shall see to the protection of this right, the rational use of natural resources, the preservation of the natural and cultural heritage and of biodiversity, and shall also provide for environmental information and education. The National Government shall establish minimum standards for environmental protection whereas Provincial and Municipal Governments shall fix specific standards and regulatory provisions.

On November 6, 2009, the Argentine Congress passed Law No. 25,675. Such law regulates the minimum standards for the achievement of a sustainable environment and the preservation and protection of biodiversity and fixes environmental policy goals.

Law No. 25,675 establishes the activities that will be subject to an environmental impact assessment procedure and certain requirements applicable thereto. In addition, such Law sets forth the duties and obligations that will be triggered by any damage to the environment and mainly provides for restoration of the environment to its former condition or, if that is not technically feasible, for payment of a compensation in lieu thereof. Such Law also fosters environmental education and provides for certain minimum reporting obligations to be fulfilled by natural and artificial persons.

On August 6, 2009, the CNV issued General Resolution No. 559/2009 (General Resolution No. 559/2009) providing for the rules applicable to listed companies whose corporate purpose comprise activities regarded as risky for the environment, in order to keep the shareholders, investors and the general public informed about the fulfillment of current environmental regulations. As of the date hereof, such Resolution has not been regulated as provided for therein.

One of our goals is that business be conducted at all times consistently with environmental laws and regulations.

For more information see Item 3 Risk Factors - Risk related to our Business - Our business is subject to extensive regulation and additional regulations may be imposed in the future.

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C. Organizational Structure

The following is our organizational chart showing our principal subsidiaries, as of June 30, 2009:

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The following table presents information relating to our ownership interest and the percentage of our consolidated total net revenues represented by our subsidiaries as of June 30, 2009.

Subsidiary	Activity	Country of incorporation	Ownership percentage ⁽¹⁾	Voting power percentage ⁽¹⁾	Total revenues percentage
Ritelco S.A.	Investment	Uruguay	100%	100%	0.00%
Patagonian Investment S.A.	Investment	Argentina	100%	100%	0.00%
Palermo Invest S.A.	Investment	Argentina	100%	100%	0.00%
Solares de Santa María S.A.	Real estate	Argentina	90%	90%	0.08%
CYRSA S.A. ⁽⁴⁾	Real estate	Argentina	50%	50%	0.00%
Pereiraola S.A.I.C.I.F.y A.	Real estate	Argentina	100%	100%	0.00%
Inversora Bolivar S.A. ⁽³⁾	Real estate	Argentina	100%	100%	7.13%
Hoteles Argentinos S.A.	Hotel	Argentina	80%	80%	3.04%
Llao Llao Resorts S.A.	Hotel	Argentina	50%	50%	4.96%
Rummaala S.A. ⁽⁴⁾	Real estate	Argentina	50%	50%	0.00%
Alto Palermo S.A.	Shopping Centers	Argentina	63.34%	63.34%	52.64%
Quality Invest S.A.	Real estate	Argentina	100%	100%	0.00%
E-Commerce Latina S.A.	Investment	Argentina	100%	100%	0.00%
Tyrus S.A.	Investment	Uruguay	100%	100%	0.06%
Financel Communications S.A. ⁽⁵⁾	Electronic Payments of goods and services	Argentina			0.00%
Canteras Natal Crespo S.A. ⁽²⁾	Real estate	Argentina	50%	50%	0.00%

(1) It does not contemplate irrevocable contributions.

(2) We have joint control of Canteras Natal Crespo S.A., a land reserve for a future development, with ECIPSA.

(3) Percentage of total revenues based upon Inversora Bolivar's consolidated results which include those of Nuevas Fronteras S.A.

(4) We have joint control with Cyrela Brazil Realty S.A. Empreendimentos y Participações.

(5) Formed in August 2007 and sold for the minimum consideration in December 2008 without having started its operations.

We have a significant interest in Banco Hipotecario, an Argentine company organized under Argentine Law engaged in banking activity. As of June 30, 2009, we owned 21.34% (without considering treasury shares) of Banco Hipotecario, and 16.34% of such ownership was through our subsidiaries Ritelco S.A., Inversora Bolívar S.A., E-Commerce Latina S.A. and Tyrus S.A. Also, as of June 30, 2009, the voting power held by us, Ritelco S.A., Inversora Bolívar S.A., E-Commerce Latina S.A. and Tyrus S.A. in Banco Hipotecario was 33.30%.

D. Property, Plant and Equipment*Property*

As of June 30, 2009, all of our property (consisting of rental properties in the office and retail real estate sectors, development properties primarily in the residential real estate sector and shopping centers) was located in Argentina. We lease our headquarters, located at Bolívar 108, C1066AAD Buenos Aires, Argentina, pursuant to a lease agreement that expires on February 28, 2014. We do not currently lease any material properties other than our headquarters.

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The following table sets forth certain information about our properties:

Property ⁽¹⁰⁾	Date of Acquisition	Leaseable/ Sale m2(1)	Location	Net Book Value Ps./000 ⁽²⁾	Encumbrance	Outstanding principal amount Ps./000	Maturity Date	Balance due at maturity	Rate	Use	Occupancy rate ⁽¹¹⁾
Intercontinental Plaza ⁽³⁾	11/18/97	22,535	City of Buenos Aires	86,517						Office Rental	100.0%
Dock del Plata	11/15/06	3,985	City of Buenos Aires	12,691						Office Rental	80.0%
Bouchard 710	06/01/05	15,014	City of Buenos Aires	66,283						Office Rental	100.0%
Bouchard 551	03/15/07	23,378	City of Buenos Aires	152,898						Office Rental	95.7%
Libertador 498	12/20/95	7,433	City of Buenos Aires	27,199						Office Rental	100.0%
Maipú 1300	09/28/95	10,280	City of Buenos Aires	39,670						Office Rental	100.0%
Madero 1020	12/21/95	114	City of Buenos Aires	269						Office Rental	100%
Suipacha 652/64	11/22/91	11,453	City of Buenos Aires	11,388	Mortgage ⁽⁷⁾					Office Rental	100.0%
Edificios Costeros	03/20/97	6,389	City of Buenos Aires	17,373						Office Rental	59.1%
Costeros Dique IV	08/29/01	5,437	City of Buenos Aires	19,699						Office Rental	89.7%
Edificio República									annual nominal 12% over		
Dique IV	04/28/08	19,884	City of Buenos Aires	224,478	Mortgage	101,937	Abr-13	25,162	balances	Office Rental	63.7%
	12/02/97	11,298	City of Buenos Aires	66,984						Office Rental	89.2%
Av. De Mayo 595/99	08/19/92	1,958	City of Buenos Aires	4,723						Office Rental	100.0%
Av. Libertador 602	01/05/96	638	City of Buenos Aires	2,633						Office Rental	100.0%
Rivadavia 2768	09/19/91	274	City of Buenos Aires	243						Office Rental	0.0%
Sarmiento 517	01/12/94	39	City of Buenos Aires	355						Office Rental	0.0%
Constitución 1111										Commercial Rental	0.0%
	06/16/94	312	City of Buenos Aires	940							
Torre BankBoston	08/27/07	15,891	City of Buenos Aires	157,894						Office Rental	100.0%
Museo Renault										Commercial Rental	100.0%
	12/06/07	1,275	City of Buenos Aires	4,877							
Santa María del Plata	07/10/97	60,100	City of Buenos Aires	12,496						Others Rentals	100.0%

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Property ⁽¹⁰⁾	Date of Acquisition	Leaseable/ Sale m2(1)	Location	Net Book Value Ps./000 ⁽²⁾	Encumbrance	Outstanding principal amount Ps./000	Maturity Date	Balance due at maturity	Rate	Use	Occupancy rate ⁽¹¹⁾
Thames ⁽³⁾			Province of								
	11/01/97	33,191	Buenos Aires	3,899						Others Rentals	100.0%
Constitución 1159			City of Buenos								
	01/16/94	2,072	Aires	5,173						Others Rentals	100.0%
Other Properties ⁽⁸⁾			City and								
			Province of Bs.								
	N/A	N/A	As.	3,234						Office Rental	N/A
Alto Palermo Shopping ⁽⁴⁾	11/23/97	18,635	City of Buenos Aires	156,665						Shopping Center	100.0%
Abasto ⁽⁴⁾	07/17/94	37,604	City of Buenos Aires	172,586						Shopping Center	99.8%
Alto Avellaneda ⁽⁴⁾	12/23/97	37,298	City of Avellaneda	84,624						Shopping Center	100.0%
Paseo Alcorta ⁽⁴⁾	06/06/97	14,385	City of Buenos Aires	74,020						Shopping Center	97.9%
Patio Bullrich ⁽⁴⁾	10/01/98	11,741	City of Buenos Aires	96,903						Shopping Center	99.6%
Alto Noa ⁽⁴⁾	03/29/95	18,851	City of Salta	23,081						Shopping Center	99.9%
Buenos Aires Design ⁽⁴⁾	11/18/97	13,750	City of Buenos Aires	11,306						Shopping Center	98.8%
Alto Rosario Shopping ⁽⁴⁾	11/09/04	28,640	City of Rosario	79,436						Shopping Center	95.0%
Mendoza Plaza Shopping ⁽⁴⁾	12/02/94	41,118	City of Mendoza	85,294						Shopping Center	96.8%
Córdoba Shopping Villa Cabrera ⁽⁴⁾	12/31/06	15,789	City of Córdoba	69,195	Anticresis					Shopping Center	96.4%
Dot Baires Shopping ⁽⁴⁾	12/01/06	49,731	City of Buenos Aires	557,852						Shopping Center	99.9%
Neuquén Project ⁽⁴⁾	07/06/99	N/A	Province of Neuquén	12,127						(in construction)	N/A
Puerto Retiro ⁽³⁾	05/18/97	82,051	City of Buenos Aires	54,380						Land Reserve	N/A
Santa María del Plata	07/10/97	352,403	City of Buenos Aires	139,748						Land Reserve	N/A
Pereiraola ⁽⁵⁾	12/16/96	1,299,630	Province of Buenos Aires	21,717						Land Reserve	N/A
Terreno Torres de Rosario ⁽⁴⁾	04/30/99	31,000	City of Rosario	15,577						Land Reserve	N/A
Canteras Natal Crespo	07/27/05	4,300,000	Province of Córdoba	5,705						Land Reserve	N/A
Terreno Beruti ⁽⁴⁾	06/24/08	3,207	City of Buenos Aires	52,715	Mortgage	16,896	Feb-10	16,986	not accrues interests	Land Reserve	N/A

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Property ⁽¹⁰⁾	Date of Acquisition	Leaseable/ Sale m2(1)	Location	Net Book Value Ps./000 ⁽²⁾	Encumbrance	Outstanding principal amount Ps./000	Maturity Date	Balance due at maturity	Rate	Use	Occupancy rate ⁽¹¹⁾
Patio Olmos ⁽⁴⁾	09/25/07	5,147	Province of Córdoba	32,949						Land Reserve	N/A
Others Reserves of Land ⁽⁶⁾	N/A	15,266,466	Province of Buenos Aires	81,987						Land Reserve	N/A
Residential apartments, communities and others ⁽⁹⁾	N/A	N/A	City and Province of Bs.As.	187,156						Residential apartments and others	N/A
Hotel Llao Llao	06/01/97	24,000	City of Bariloche	74,191						Hotel	53.9%
Hotel Intercontinental ⁽³⁾	11/01/97	37,600	City of Buenos Aires	47,749						Hotel	71.9%
Hotel Sheraton Libertador	03/01/98	17,463	City of Buenos Aires	37,778	Mortgage	20,211	Mar-10	19,251	Libor 6M + 700 pb	Hotel	82.8%
Bariloche Plot of Land	12/01/06	N/A	Province of Rio Negro	21,900	Mortgage	1,930	Dic-09	326	Fix Rate 7%	Hotel	N/A

- (1) Total leaseable area for each property. Excludes common areas and parking spaces.
- (2) Cost of acquisition or development (adjusted as discussed in Note 2.c. to the consolidated financial statements), plus improvements, less accumulated depreciation, less allowances.
- (3) Through IBSA.
- (4) Through Alto Palermo.
- (5) Directly through IRSA and indirectly through IBSA.
- (6) Includes the following land reserves: Pilar and Terreno Torre Jardín IV (through IRSA), Terreno Pontevedra; Isla Sirgadero; Mariano Acosta, Intercontinental Plaza II, advance purchase San Luis and Merlo (through IBSA), Zetol and Vista al Muelle (through Liveck) and Terreno Caballito, the Coto project, C. Gardel 3128/34, Agüero 596, Zelaya 3102 and Conil (through Alto Palermo).
- (7) As security for compliance with the construction of the future building to be constructed in a plot of land in Vicente Lopez, Province or Buenos Aires and transfer of the future units, the company's property located at Suipacha 652 was mortgaged.
- (8) Includes the following properties: Abril and Alto Palermo Park (through and Inversora Bolivar).
- (9) Includes the following properties: Torres Renoir I, Torres Jardín, Edificios Cruceros, San Martín de Tours, Rivadavia 2768, Swap receivables Terreno Caballito (Cyrsa), Swap receivables Terreno Caballito (KOAD) Torre Caballito, Horizons, Abril/Baldovinos and Benavidez.
- (10) All assets are owned by IRSA or through any our subsidiary.
- (11) Percentage of occupation of each property. The land reserves are assets that the company remains in the portfolio for future development.

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Insurance

We carry insurance policies with insurance companies that we consider to be financially sound. We purchase multiple peril insurance for the shopping centers covering fire and negligence liability, electrical or water damages, theft and business interruption. We have submitted a limited number of claim reports under the shopping center insurance, including a claim for a reported loss caused by fire in Alto Avellaneda Shopping on March 5, 2006 and, as of this date, we have been able to recover substantially all such claims from the insurance companies.

In our Development and Sale of Properties segment, we only maintain insurance when we retains ownership of the land under development or when we develop the property ourselves. Our liability and fire insurance policies cover potential risks such as property damage, business interruption, fire, falls, collapse, lightning and gas explosion. Such insurance policies contain specifications, limits and deductibles which we believe are customary. We maintain insurance policies for our properties after the end of construction only if we retain ownership, primarily in the Offices and Other Properties segment.

We carry insurance for directors and officers covering management's civil liability, as well as legally mandated insurance, including employee personal injury. We do not provide life or disability insurance for our employees as benefits. We believe our insurance policies are adequate to protect us against the risks for which we are covered. Nevertheless, no assurances can be given that the insurance amount purchased by us will be enough to protect ourselves from significant losses. See Risk Factors Risks Related to our Business. Some potential losses are not covered by insurance, and certain kinds of insurance coverage may become prohibitively expensive.

Item 4 A. Unresolved Staff Comments.

None.

ITEM 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects.

A. Operating Results

The following Operating and Financial Review and Prospects should be read in conjunction with Item 3: Key Information-Selected Financial Data and our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements and related notes appearing elsewhere in this annual report. This Operating and Financial Review and Prospects discussion contains forward-looking statements that involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. These forward-looking statements include, among others, those statements including the words will, expects, anticipates, intends, believes and similar language. Our actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of many risk factors, including those set forth elsewhere in this annual report. See Item 3 Risk Factors for a more complete discussion of the economic and industry-wide factors relevant to us and the opportunities and challenges as a result of the global economic crisis, and risks on which we are focused.

For purposes of the following discussion, unless otherwise specified, references to fiscal years 2009, 2008 and 2007 relate to our fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

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We maintain our financial books and records in Pesos. We prepare our Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with Argentine GAAP and the regulations of the CNV which differ in significant respects from U.S. GAAP. These differences involve methods of measuring the amounts shown in the financial statements as well as additional disclosures required by U.S. GAAP and Regulation S-X of the SEC. See Note 29 to our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this annual report herein for a description of the principal differences between Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP, as they relate to us, and a reconciliation to U.S. GAAP of our net income and shareholders' equity.

Our Results of Operations

Overview

Effects of the Economic Crisis Since 2001

Our historical financial results have been, and are expected to continue to be, materially affected by the general level of economic activity and growth of per capita disposable income in Argentina, where most of our assets are located and our operations are performed. From December 2001 through most of 2002, Argentina experienced a crisis that virtually paralyzed its economy and led to radical changes in government policies. Argentina's trade and fiscal deficits and the rigidity of its fixed exchange rate system (known as the convertibility regime), combined with the country's excessive reliance on foreign capital and with its mounting external debt, resulted in a deep contraction of the economy and in banking and fiscal crises when capital started to leave the country.

In response to the political and economic crisis, the Argentine government undertook a number of far-reaching initiatives that significantly changed the monetary and foreign exchange regime and the regulatory framework for conducting business in Argentina. Between December 2001 and January 2002, Argentina abolished the fixed parity between the Peso and the U.S. dollar, rescheduled bank deposits, converted dollar denominated debts into pesos, and suspended payment on a significant portion of its public debt.

Most sectors of the Argentine economy were severely affected by the crisis and regulatory changes. In April 2002, the economy started its path to stabilization and realized a clear improvement of economic variables during the second half of the year, mainly as a result of expanding exports and decreasing imports. While the devaluation of the Peso had significant adverse consequences, it resulted in a positive balance for Argentina's current account, which fostered a reactivation of domestic production. The sharp decline in the Peso's value against foreign currencies, together with a decline in production costs in U.S. dollar terms, made Argentine products relatively inexpensive in the export markets. At the same time, the costs of imported goods increased significantly due to the devaluation of the Peso, forcing Argentine consumers to substitute their purchase of foreign goods with domestic products, substantially boosting domestic demand for domestic products.

During the second half of 2002, Argentina's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) increased 4.4%, and the consumer price index inflation was 8.0% for the six-month period ended December 31, 2002, compared to 30.5% for the six-month period ended June 30, 2002. The improving economic conditions, particularly the reduction of capital outflows from the Argentine economy and the banking system, allowed the government to begin lifting restrictions on bank withdrawals in November 2002.

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Despite the improvement in economic conditions during the second half of 2002, Argentina's overall GDP contracted 10.9% for the full year, receding to 1993 values, investment collapsed (with, for example, negative growth of 43% in the second quarter compared to the second quarter of 2001), and inflation increased sharply. The main impact of the crisis was the tremendous social hardship. Unemployment rose from 12.9% to 19.7% between 1998 and 2002, real wages declined 24% in 2002, and the poverty index increased from 29% of the population in 2000 to 52% in 2002.

In May 2003, Argentina's political environment was reorganized when Néstor Kirchner took office as president. The economy continued to show indications of recovery, as GDP grew 8.8% in 2003. A combination of sound fiscal and monetary policies kept consumer price inflation under control at 3.5% in 2003. During 2003, Argentina moved towards normalizing its relationship with the IMF, withdrew all the national and provincial governments' quasi-money securities from circulation (amounting to Ps.7.8 billion), and eliminated all deposit restrictions. The trade balance experienced a sustained surplus, aided by the rise in commodity prices and export volumes. Social indicators also improved. The unemployment rate decreased to 17.3% in 2003 and real wages began to recover.

During 2004 and 2005, the Argentine economy continued to grow. GDP grew 9.0% in 2004 and 9.0% in 2005 according to the Central Bank's survey of independent forecasting firms. Inflation remained relatively low in 2004 although it almost doubled to 6.1% from 2003, and it increased to 12.3% during 2005, 9.8% during 2006, 8.5% during 2007 and 4.7% as of the first semester of 2008.

In June 2005, the Argentine government completed a restructuring of a substantial portion of the federal government's public debt, which had been in default since December 2001. Argentina reduced the outstanding principal amount of its public debt from US\$191.3 billion to US\$126.6 billion and negotiated lower interest rates and extended payment terms.

During 2008, the global economy deteriorated significantly as a consequence of the subprime mortgage crisis. Therefore, Argentina was faced with a global economic downturn and a drop in the level of activity that delayed the pace of growth.

The year 2009 has seen encouraging signs of an economic recovery at the global level. These signs have included increases in the level of activity in certain advanced economies, a reduction in unemployment and improvements in housing prices in the US. This scenario will have an impact on the local situation.

Although Argentina's economy has recovered significantly from the crisis of 2002, the effects of the global economic slow-down on Argentina cannot be predicted. We cannot assure you that the favorable economic conditions that Argentina has experienced in recent years will continue. *See Risk Factors Risks Related to Argentina.*

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From 1997 until the end of year 2001, the Argentine government's policies substantially reduced the level of inflation. Therefore, during that period inflation did not significantly affect our financial condition and results of operations. The following are annual inflation rates since 2002 published by the Argentine Ministry of Economy and Production:

Year ended June 30,	Consumer Price Index	Wholesale Price Index
2002	28.4%	88.2%
2003	10.2%	8.1%
2004	4.9%	8.6%
2005	9.0%	7.7%
2006	11.0%	12.1%
2007	8.8%	9.4%
2008	9.3%	13.8%
2009	5.26%	5.4%

The increase in inflationary risk may erode our present macroeconomic stability, causing a negative impact on our operations.

The Wholesale Price Index (IPIM) increased by 7.8% in the first ten months of 2009, and the consumer price index increased 5.8% in the first ten months of 2009.

Effects of interest rate fluctuations

Most of our U.S. dollar denominated debt accrues interest at a fixed rate. An increase in interest rates will not necessary result in a significant increase in our financial costs and may not materially affect our financial condition and our results of operations.

Effects of Foreign Currency Fluctuations

A significant portion of our financial debt is denominated in U.S. dollars. Therefore, a devaluation of the Argentine Peso against the U.S. dollar would increase our indebtedness measured in Pesos and materially affect our results of operations. Foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations significantly increase the risk of default on our mortgages and lease receivables. Due to the fact that many of our customers have their cash flows in Pesos, a fluctuation of exchange rate may increase their U.S. dollar-denominated liabilities. Foreign currency exchange restrictions that may be imposed by the Argentine Government could prevent or restrict our access to U.S. dollars, affecting our ability to service our U.S. dollar denominated liabilities.

*Evolution of our Business Segments***Shopping centers**

The profitability of our shopping center business is highly sensitive to consumer spending, overall GDP growth in Argentina and availability of financing. The contraction in consumer spending and the greater reliance on informal and low quality products that characterized the Argentine economy during the crisis has been significantly lessened along with an increase in GDP growth. This economic reactivation has significantly increased the revenues of APSA, our subsidiary engaged in shopping center ownership and operation. During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009, our shopping center revenues were Ps.270.3 million, Ps.345.4 million and Ps.396.7 million, respectively.

Consumer financing

Tarshop is a subsidiary of APSA through which we have rolled out a credit card and personal loan consumer financing business. Economic reactivation and the consequent increase in consumer spending have been fueling the growth in this business as in the case of the Shopping

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center segment. Conceived originally as a marketing tool intended to stimulate sales at our shopping centers, Tarshop's credit card business has extended beyond our shopping centers, becoming one of the fastest growing consumer financing businesses in the consumer financing industry in Argentina. As of June 30, 2009, Tarshop had 855,000 customer accounts of which 422,000 had unpaid balances, an average indebtedness of Ps. 1,438 per account. Total portfolio amounted to Ps. 819.0 million, 59.3% of which was securitized through the Tarjeta Shopping Financial Trusts Program. During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009, the revenues of our Consumer financing segment were Ps.213.0 million, Ps.291.0 million and Ps.236.8 million, respectively.

As a result of the current international financial scenario, during the first six months of fiscal year 2009 we have observed a high volatility in interest rates and increases in systemic delinquency, affecting the performance and financing of the consumer financing business. The higher delinquency levels have led to an increase in the subordination of financial trusts which, added to the changes in their tax treatment, the higher interest rates resulting from higher risk and a deceleration in private consumption, have forced us to review the general economic and the business prospects of Tarshop. During fiscal year 2009 we improved Tarshop's capital base and operating performance in order to consolidate our position in the industry. In light with the gradual recovery of the markets, uncollectability and delinquency rates slightly improved for the three-months period ended September 30, 2009, generating a net gain of Ps. 1.8 million in the Consumer financing segment. For more information about our Consumer financing segment, please see "Recent Developments" section.

Development and sale of properties

Demand for new residential units is influenced by a number of factors, including employment rates, short-term and long-term interest rates, availability of government-sponsored and private mortgage financing programs and products, consumer confidence, governmental policies, demographic factors and, to a lesser extent, changes in property taxes, energy costs and federal income tax rates. In addition, the feasibility of developing and marketing new residential units depends on a number of factors such as the inventory of existing units, zoning restrictions, government policies, cost and availability of land, construction and sales costs and the availability of financing on reasonable terms, among other factors. At the time of the crisis, residential sales came to a virtual standstill and real estate prices fell sharply. During the last five years, the market has begun to recover, making gradual progress. This continuing market stabilization accounts for much of the revenue increase in our Development and sale of properties segment. During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009, our Development and sale of properties segment had revenues of Ps.75.8 million, Ps. 196.8 million and Ps. 280.4 million, respectively.

Office and other non-shopping center rental properties

The profitability of Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment is similarly affected by the macroeconomic factors described above. Favorable market conditions and the incidence of bankruptcy are also closely related to levels of vacancy and to the price at which we can lease our premises which in turn adversely affect our revenues in this segment. During the 2001 Argentine economic crisis and its aftermath, few development projects were built in Argentina. However, demand for office space and rental properties has increased substantially during the last five years, significantly raising prices. During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009, our Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment had revenues of Ps.57.1 million, Ps.102.2 million and Ps. 147.7 million, respectively.

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Hotel operations

The revenues from our hotel business are also highly sensitive to market conditions. For example, the devaluation of the Peso following the repeal of the Convertibility Law made Argentina a less expensive, and therefore a more attractive, tourist destination, significantly increasing the influx of foreign tourists. The appreciation of foreign currency also rendered domestic travel destinations more appealing to the Argentinians, many of whom replaced foreign travel with local travel. During fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009, our Hotel operations segment had revenues of Ps.122.7 million, Ps.148.8 million and Ps. 158.9 million, respectively.

Factors Affecting Comparability of Results of Operations

Described below are certain considerations that will facilitate an understanding of our overall operating results. These factors are based upon the information which is currently available to us and do not represent all of the factors that are relevant to an understanding of our current and future results of operations.

Recent results on equity investees

As of June 30, 2009 we owned 21.34% of Banco Hipotecario (without considering treasury shares), Argentina's leading mortgage lender and provider of mortgage-related insurance and mortgage loan services. Banco Hipotecario restructured its financial debt in 2004 and has recorded attractive results from its operations since then. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009, our investment in Banco Hipotecario generated a gain of Ps.41.4 million, a loss of Ps.12.4 million and a gain of Ps.142.1 million, respectively. The results we recorded in our 2007, 2008 and 2009 fiscal years represented 38.6%, (22.6%) and 89.6%, respectively, of our consolidated net income for such years, but we cannot assure that the investment in Banco Hipotecario will generate similar gains, if any, in the future.

Variability of results due to substantial property acquisitions and dispositions

The development and sale of large residential and other properties does not yield a stable, recurring stream of revenue. On the contrary, large acquisitions and sales significantly affect revenues for a reporting period, making it difficult to compare our year-to-year results. For example, the Ps.74.5 million sale of all the units in the building Laminar Plaza and the Ps.53.8 million sale of all the units in Torre Renoir building have significantly impacted our results for our 2009 fiscal year. Our historical revenues have varied from period to period depending upon the timing of sales of properties, and our future period-on-period results of operations are likely to continue to vary, perhaps significantly, as a result of periodic acquisitions and dispositions of properties.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

In connection with the preparation of our Consolidated Financial Statements included in this annual report, we have relied on variables and assumptions derived from historical experience and various other factors that we deemed reasonable and relevant. Although we review these estimates and assumptions in the ordinary course of business, the portrayal of our financial condition and results of operations often requires our management to make judgments regarding the effects of matters that are inherently uncertain on the carrying value of our assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ from those estimated under different variables, assumptions

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or conditions. In order to provide an understanding about how management forms our judgments about future events, including the variables and assumptions underlying the estimates, and the sensitivity of those judgments to different variables and conditions, we have included comments related to each critical accounting policy described as follows:

revenue recognition;

investments in Certificates of Participation (CPs);

business combinations;

fixed assets, net;

provision for allowances and contingencies;

impairment of long-lived assets;

debt restructuring;

deferred income tax;

minimum presumed income tax (MPIT); and

negative goodwill, net.

Revenue recognition

We primarily derive our revenues from domestic office space and shopping center leases and services operations, from the development and sale of properties, from consumer financing operations and from hotel operations. See *Note 6 of our Consolidated Financial Statements* for more details on our Business Segments.

Accounting for real estate barter transactions. During the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 we entered into certain non-monetary transactions with third parties pursuant to which we sold plots of land in the ordinary course of business in exchange for cash and/or other real estate properties. Under Argentine GAAP, these transactions were recorded based on the fair value of the assets involved and, as a result, a gain or loss was recognized at the time of the exchange. We believe that this accounting policy is a critical accounting policy because the impact of accounting for real estate barter transactions under this method could have a material effect on our consolidated balance sheet as well as on our results of operations.

Recognition of inventories at net realizable value. Inventories, on which we received payments in advance that establish the sales price and the terms and conditions of the contract assuring the closing of the transaction and the realization of the gain, are valued at net realizable value. At June 30, 2009, payments for Ps.12.1 million were valued according to these criteria, which were principally applied to the following developments: Torre Renoir Dock III for Ps.5.5 million, Torres Caballito for Ps.5.0 million and Dock 13 for Ps. 1.3 million. We believe that the accounting policy related to recognition of inventories at net realizable value is a critical accounting policy because the impact of accounting under this method could have a material effect on our consolidated balance sheet as well as on our results of operations.

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Leases and services from shopping center operations. We account for our leases with tenants as operating leases. We generally charges tenants a rent which consists of the higher of (i) a monthly base rent (the Base Rent) and (ii) a specified percentage of the tenant s monthly gross retail sales (the Percentage Rent) (which generally ranges between 4% and 10% of tenant s gross sales). Furthermore, pursuant to the rent escalation clause in most leases, the tenant s Base Rent generally increases between 7% and 12% each year during the term of the lease. Certain of our lease agreements contain provisions which provide for rents based on a percentage of sales or based on a percentage of sales volume above a specified threshold. We determine the compliance with specific targets and calculate the additional rent on a monthly basis as provided for in the contracts. Thus, we do not recognize contingent rents until the required thresholds are exceeded.

Our lease agreements vary from 36 to 120 months. Law No. 24,808 provides that tenants may rescind commercial lease agreements after the initial six months, upon not less than 60 days written notice, subject to penalties of one and a half months rent if the tenant rescinds during the first year of its lease, and one month of rent if the tenant rescinds after the first year of its lease.

We also charges our tenants a monthly administration fee, prorated among the tenants according to their leases, which varies from shopping center to shopping center, relating to the administration and maintenance of the common area and the administration of contributions made by tenants to finance promotional efforts for the overall shopping centers operations. We recognize administration fees monthly when earned. In addition to rent, we generally charge tenants admission rights. Admission rights are non-refundable admission fees that tenants may be required to pay upon entering into a lease or upon lease renewal. An admission right is normally paid in one lump sum or in a small number of monthly installments. We recognize admission rights using the straight-line method over the life of the respective lease agreements. Furthermore, the lease agreements generally provide for the reimbursement of real estate taxes, insurance, advertising and certain common area maintenance costs. These additional rents and tenant reimbursements are accounted for on the accrual basis.

We also derive revenues for parking lot fees charged to visitors. We recognize parking revenues as services are performed.

Leases and services from offices and other non-shopping center rental properties. We account for our leases with tenants as operating leases. We charge tenants a base rent on a monthly basis. We recognize rental income on a straight-line basis over the term of the leases and unpaid rents are included in accounts receivable in the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Development and sale of properties. We record revenue from the sale of properties when all of the following criteria are met: (a) the sale has been consummated (a sale is not considered consummated until (i) the parties are bound by the terms of a contract, (ii) all consideration has been exchanged, (iii) any permanent financing for which the seller is responsible has been arranged and (iv) all conditions precedent to the closing have been performed); (b) we determine that the buyer s initial and continuing investments are adequate to demonstrate a commitment to pay for the property (the adequacy of a buyer s initial investment is measured by (i) its composition and (ii) its size compared with the sales value of the property); (c) our receivable is not subject to future subordination (our receivable will not be placed in or occupy a lower rank, class or position with respect to other obligations of the buyer); and (d) we have transferred to the buyer the risk and rewards of ownership and do not have a continuing involvement in the property.

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We generally enter into purchase and sale agreements with purchasers of units in our residential development properties prior to the commencement of construction. Pursuant to this practice, we initiate our marketing and sales efforts on the basis of already-commissioned architectural designs and model units. As a general rule, purchasers pay a booking charge for the units and subsequently enter into purchase and sale agreements. The balance of the purchase price is due upon delivery of the constructed and completed unit.

Construction of such residential development properties is done pursuant to turn-key contracts with major Argentine and South American construction companies that provide for construction to be completed within a prescribed period and budget, subject to customary exceptions.

We use the percentage-of-completion method of accounting with respect to sales of development properties under construction affected under contracts. Under this method, revenue is recognized based on the ratio of costs incurred to total estimated costs applied to the total contract price. We do not commence revenue and cost recognition until such time as significant construction activities have begun and substantial advance payments have been received according to parameters estimated by us.

The percentage-of-completion method of accounting requires management to prepare budgeted costs (i.e., the estimated costs of completion) in connection with sales of properties and/or units. All changes to estimated costs of completion are incorporated into revised estimates during the contract period.

Under this method of accounting, revenues for work completed may be recognized in the statement of income prior to the period in which actual cash proceeds from the sale are received. In this situation, a deferred asset is recorded. Alternatively, and as is more common for us, where property and/or unit purchasers pay us an advance down-payment and monthly cash installments prior to the commencement of construction, a liability is recorded. This is recorded as a customer advance in the financial statements.

Consumer financing. We derive revenues from credit card transactions which primarily comprised of (i) merchant discount fees which are recognized when transactional information is received and processed by us; (ii) data processing services which consist of processing and printing cardholders account statements, and which are recognized as services are provided; and (iii) life and disability insurance charges to cardholders which are recognized on an accrual basis and (iv) revenues from the interest generated by the financing and lending activities that are recognized by application of the accrual-based accounting method.

Hotel operations. We recognize revenues from occupation of rooms, catering, and restaurant services as earned at the close of each business day.

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Investments in Certificates of Participation (CPs)

APSA enters into ongoing revolving-period securitization programs, through which Tarshop, a majority-owned subsidiary of APSA, transfers credit card receivables to the trust in exchange for cash and retained interests in the trust.

CPs are carried at their equity value based on financial statements issued by the trusts, less allowances for impairment if the carrying value exceeds their estimated recoverable value and classified as investments.

We believe that this accounting policy is a critical accounting policy because fair values are based on estimates using other valuation techniques, such as discounting estimated future cash flows using a rate commensurate with the risks involved or other acceptable methods. These techniques involve uncertainties and are significantly affected by the assumptions used and the judgments made regarding prepayments, discount rates, estimates of future cash flows and future expected loss experience. Changes in these assumptions could significantly affect these estimates. Derived fair value estimates cannot be substantiated by comparison to independent markets and, in many cases, could not be realized in an immediate sale of the instrument. Also, because of differences in methodologies and assumptions used to estimate fair value, APSA's fair values should not be compared to those of other companies.

Business combinations

Significant acquisitions are accounted for under the purchase method of accounting. Under the purchase method, the purchase price is allocated to tangible and intangible assets and liabilities based on their respective fair values in accordance with the provisions of RT No. 18. In making estimates of fair values, management utilizes a number of various sources.

When we acquire properties, for fair value estimation purposes, we also consider information about each property obtained as a result of pre-acquisition due diligence, marketing and leasing activities. We allocate a portion of the purchase price to tangible assets including the fair value of the building on an as-if-vacant basis and to land determined either by real estate tax assessments, third-party appraisals or other relevant data. Generally we determine the as-if-vacant value by using a replacement cost method. Also, a portion of the purchase price is allocated to above-market and below-market in-place lease values for acquired properties based on the present value (using an interest rate which reflects the risks associated with the leases acquired) of the difference between (i) the contractual amounts to be paid pursuant to the in-place leases and (ii) management's estimate of fair market lease rates for the corresponding in-place leases, measured over a period equal to the remaining noncancelable term of the lease. The capitalized above-market and below-market lease values are amortized as a reduction of or an addition to rental income over the remaining noncancelable terms of the respective leases. Should a tenant terminate its lease, the unamortized portion of the lease intangibles would be charged or credited to income. A portion of the purchase price is also allocated to the value of leases acquired and management utilizes independent sources or management's determination of the relative fair values of the respective in-place lease values. Our estimates are made using methods similar to those used by independent appraisers. Factors considered by management in performing these analyses include an estimate of carrying costs during the expected lease-up periods, considering current market conditions and costs to execute similar leases. In estimating carrying costs, management includes real estate taxes, insurance and other operating expenses and estimates of lost rental revenue during the expected lease-up periods based on current market demand. We also estimate costs to execute similar leases including leasing commissions, legal expenses and other related costs. Other intangible assets acquired may include tenant relationships which are valued based on management's evaluation of the specific characteristics of each tenant's lease.

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and our overall relationship with the respective tenant. We have not identified any lessee with whom it has developed a type of relationship allowing the recognition of an intangible asset. As far as banking operations are concerned, identifiable intangible assets comprised of core deposits intangibles and customer relationship intangibles, represent the net present value of the future economic.

Fixed assets, net

Fixed assets, net are comprised primarily of rental properties (including shopping centers), hotels and other property and equipment held for use by us.

Rental properties (including shopping centers)

Rental properties are carried at cost (adjusted for inflation as described in Note 2.c. to the Consolidated Financial Statements), less accumulated depreciation and allowances for impairment. Accumulated depreciation is computed under the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which are estimated between 10 to 30 years for office buildings and related improvements and between 19 and 31 years for shopping centers. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred. Significant renewals and improvements are capitalized and depreciated over their estimated remaining useful lives. At the time depreciable assets are retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and the accumulated depreciation and allowances for impairment of the assets are removed from the accounts and any profit or loss is recognized. We capitalize financial costs (interest and foreign exchange differences) on long-term construction projects. Capitalized financial costs amounted to Ps. 86.5 million, Ps. 10.5 million and Ps. 7.1 million for the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively, mainly in connection with the construction of the Dot Baires Shopping, Shopping Alto Rosario and Dique IV.

During the year ended June 30, 2002, 2003 and 2005 we recognized significant impairment losses. As permitted by Argentine GAAP, due to increases in fair market values, these impairment charges were subsequently reversed partially during the years ended June 30, 2003 through the current fiscal year. Impairment charges and subsequent reversals are included in the line item Gain from operations and holdings of real estate assets, net in the Consolidated Statements of Income. The balance of allowance for impairment of fixed assets amounts to Ps. 3.9 million, Ps. 5.0 million and Ps. 7.6 million for the years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

Other property and equipment

Other property and equipment are carried at cost (adjusted for inflation as described in Note 2.c.), less accumulated depreciation at the end of the year. Accumulated depreciation is computed under the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, as specified below:

Asset	Estimated useful life (years)
Leasehold improvements	Lesser of lease term or asset useful life
Facilities	Between 10 and 20
Machinery and equipment	10
Vehicles	5
Software	3
Computer equipment	3
Furniture and fixtures	Between 5 and 10
Other	10

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Provisions for allowances and contingencies

We provide for losses relating to mortgage and accounts receivable. The allowance for losses is based on the management's assessment of various factors, including the customers' credit risk, historical trends and other information. Although management uses the information available to make assessments, future adjustments to the allowances may be necessary if future economic conditions differ substantially from the assumptions used at the time of the determination. Management has considered all events and/or transactions subject to reasonable and standard estimation procedures. The consolidated financial statements reflect these considerations.

We have certain contingent liabilities with respect to existing or potential claims, lawsuits and other proceedings, including those involving labor and other matters. We accrue liabilities when it is probable that future costs will be incurred and such costs can be reasonably estimated. Such accruals are based on developments to date, our estimate of the outcomes of these matters and our lawyers' experience in contesting, litigating and settling other matters. As the scope of the liabilities becomes better defined, there may be changes in the estimates of future costs, which could have material effect on our future results of operations and financial condition or liquidity.

We believe that this accounting policy is a critical accounting policy because if the future conditions were materially different from the assumptions used to make the assessments, it might cause a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

Impairment of long-lived assets

We periodically evaluate the carrying value of our long-lived assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. We consider the carrying value of a long-lived asset to be impaired when its recoverable value (the value in use or its net realizable value, whichever is greater), is less than its carrying value. Value in use is determined by the expected cash flows from the assets discounted at a rate commensurate with the risk involved. Net realizable value is determined by the selling price of the assets less costs to sell.

Under Argentine GAAP a previously recognized impairment loss is reversed when there is a subsequent change in estimates used to compute the recoverable value of the asset. In that event, the new carrying value of the asset is the lower of its fair market value or the net carrying value the asset would have had if no impairment had been recognized. Both the impairment charge and the impairment reversal are recognized in earnings. U.S. GAAP prohibits the reversal of a previously recognized impairment charge.

We believe that the accounting estimate related to asset impairment is a critical accounting estimate because:

it is highly susceptible to change from period to period because it requires company management and/or independent appraisers to make assumptions such as, future sales and cost of sale, future vacancy rates and future prices, which requires significant adjustments because actual prices and vacancy rates have fluctuated in the past and are expected to continue to do so; and

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the impact that recognizing an impairment would have on assets reported on our balance sheet as well as on the results of our operations could be material.

As of June 30, 2002, we had revised our assets in all segments to detect impairments resulting from the continued deterioration of the Argentine economy. Therefore, as of June 30, 2002 we had recognized an impairment of Ps.140.6 million. During the years ended June 30, 2003, 2005, and 2008 we recognized impairment losses for a total of Ps.14.0 million, Ps.0.2 million and Ps.0.03 million, respectively. As a result of the increase in the market values of assets for which we had recognized impairment losses, during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 we partially reversed impairment losses, and recognized gains for Ps.25.4 million, Ps.63.0 million, Ps.28.2 million, Ps.12.6 million, Ps.2.6 million, Ps.2.7 million and Ps.1.1 million, respectively.

The fair market value of our office and rental properties was determined following the rent value method, taking into consideration each property's current cash flow, our vacancy amounts and tax impact, and the cash flow was projected for the remaining useful live of each property considering a lease growth rate ranging from 6% to 8% per annum and a projected stable vacancy of 5%. In addition, comparability with other properties in the market and our historic vacancy rates were considered. The price per square meter of our properties varies according to the category and type of building, and to each property's idiosyncratic traits. Vacancy rates continue to be extremely low, with rates of 2% over the stock. Moreover, we currently believe that a significant amount of new office space, comparable to our existing buildings, is not likely to become available in the City of Buenos Aires during the next two or three fiscal years. All discounted cash flow exercises were made considering the impact of depreciation and income tax, i.e., net of taxes. For buildings we consider to be Class A (those having the best location and condition) the average price per square meter used was between Ps.83 and Ps.135 per square meter per month, while for buildings we consider to be Class A/B (having very good location and/or condition) the average price was between Ps.55 and Ps.72 per square meter per month, and for buildings we consider Class B/C (those having good location and/or condition) it was Ps.37 per square meter per month.

With respect to our Hotel operations segment, the discounted cash flows methodology was applied by taking the forecasts of each hotel's cash flow over our remaining useful life and discounting such estimated amounts at rates according to risk, location and other relevant factors. The cash flows to be discounted considered revenues per room, per guest, per additional charge as well as the fixed and variable expenditures related to the transaction. Rate increases and occupancy variations were estimated based on the information supplied by each hotel's management and comparing them to industry-specific data in the local market. We believe that tourism activities and related industries in Argentina have increased at a lower rate than in previous years, by 8% to 12% over the last 12 months, yet above worldwide figures, according to inbound traveling and spending statistics provided by the National Tourism Agency. Seasonal or exceptional issues that adversely impacted on the result of hotel occupancy rates for the last year were not considered in the analyses.

Shopping centers were valued according to the rent value method. We calculated discount rates considering each property's location, the comparability with other properties in the market, our historic rental income, vacancy rates and cash flow. The average discount rates we used ranged between 14.5% and 16.5%, the average price per leasable square meter was Ps.7,043 and the average vacancy rate was calculated taking into consideration a permanent vacancy rate of 5%. As in the case of offices, cash flows of results after income taxes and depreciation were considered, analyzing the periods for the remaining useful life of each asset.

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We used the open market method for determining the fair market value of our land reserves and inventories. We estimated the value of each site by taking into consideration the value of the property according to its surface area and location and construction potential, as well as the availability of inventory less cost to sale.

Debt restructuring

Extension of the Alto Palermo's Convertible Notes' maturity date. On July 19, 2002, Alto Palermo issued an aggregate amount of US\$50.0 million of uncollateralized convertible notes (the "Convertible Notes") in exchange for cash and the settlement of certain liabilities. The Convertible Notes accrue interest at a fixed annual interest rate of 10% (payable semiannually), are convertible at any time at the option of the holder into common shares (at a conversion rate that consists in the higher of the result of dividing the Company shares' par value (Ps.0.1) by the exchange rate and US\$0.0324) and originally matured on July 19, 2006. On May 2, 2006 a Meeting of Alto Palermo's Noteholders resolved to extend the maturity date of the Convertible Notes through July 19, 2014, leaving the remaining terms and conditions unchanged.

Argentine GAAP requires that an exchange of debt instruments between, or a modification of a debt instrument by, a debtor and a creditor shall be deemed to have been accomplished with debt instruments that are substantially different if the present value of the cash flows under the terms of the new debt instrument is at least 10% different from the present value of the remaining cash flows under the terms of the original instrument. The new debt instrument should be initially recorded at fair value, and that amount should be used to determine the extinguishment gain or loss to be recognized.

Fair value should be determined by the present value of the future cash flows to be paid under the terms of the new debt instrument discounted at a rate commensurate with the risks of the debt instrument and time value of money. If it is determined that the original and new debt instrument are not substantially different, then a new effective interest rate is to be determined based on the carrying amount of the original debt instrument and the revised cash flows. Based on the analysis performed, we concluded that the instruments were not substantially different and accordingly the original Convertible Notes were not considered to have been extinguished.

We believe that the accounting policy related to the extension of Alto Palermo's Convertible Notes' maturity date is a critical accounting policy because it required us to make an estimate of the present value of the future cash flows, using an estimated discount rate which is highly susceptible to changes from period to period, and as a result the impact on the fair market value of our debt instruments could be material.

Deferred income tax

We recognize income tax using the liability method. Accordingly, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recorded or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. Technical Resolution No. 17 requires companies to record a valuation allowance for that component of net deferred tax assets which is not recoverable.

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We believe that the accounting estimate related to deferred income tax is a critical accounting estimate because:

it is highly susceptible to change from period to period because it requires company management to make assumptions, such as future revenues and expenses, exchange rates and inflation among others; and

the impact that calculating income tax using this method would have on assets or liabilities reported on our consolidated balance sheet as well as on the income tax result reported in our consolidated statement of income could be material.

Minimum presumed income tax

We calculate the minimum presumed income tax provision by applying the current 1% rate on computable assets at the end of the year. This tax complements the income tax. Our tax obligation each year will coincide with the highest amount due under either of these two taxes. However, if the minimum presumed income tax provision exceeds income tax in a given year, the amount in excess of income tax can be offset against income tax arising in any of the following ten years.

We have recognized the minimum presumed income tax provision paid in previous years as a credit as we estimate that it will offset future years income tax.

We believe that the accounting policy relating to the minimum presumed income tax provision is a critical accounting policy because it requires management to make estimates and assumptions with respect to our future results that are highly susceptible to change from period to period, and as such the impact on our financial position and results of operations could be material.

Negative goodwill, net

Negative goodwill, net represents the net effect of goodwill and negative goodwill arising out of business combinations.

(i) Negative goodwill:

Negative goodwill represents the excess of fair value of net assets acquired over cost. Under Argentine GAAP, when negative goodwill exists, acquired intangible assets are assigned a zero value. Negative goodwill is accounted for as follows: (i) the portion of negative goodwill related to future expected losses is recognized in income in the same periods losses are incurred; (ii) the amount exceeding the interest over the non monetary assets is recognized in income at acquisition date; and (iii) the amount not in excess of the equity interest over the non monetary assets is recognized as negative goodwill and amortized under the straight line method over the weighted average useful lives of the identifiable assets of the acquiree, not exceeding 20 years.

(ii) Goodwill:

Goodwill represents the excess of cost over the fair value of net identifiable assets and is amortized under the straight-line method over the weighted average useful life of the main tangible assets acquired.

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The carrying amount does not exceed their respective estimated recoverable value at the end of this year.

Business Segment Reporting

We have determined that our reportable segments are those based on our method of internal reporting. Accordingly, we have six reportable segments. These segments are Development and sale of properties, Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties, Shopping centers, Hotel operations, Consumer financing and Financial operations and others.

A general description of each segment follows:

Development and sale of properties. This segment includes the operating results of our construction and/or sale of residential buildings business.

Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties. This segment includes the operating results from our lease and service revenues for office space and other non-retail building properties.

Shopping centers. This segment includes the operating results of our shopping centers principally consisting of lease and service revenues from tenants.

Consumer financing. We operate a consumer financing business through APSA's majority-owned subsidiary Tarshop. Consumer financing operations consist primarily of lending and servicing activities relating to the credit card and personal loans products we offer to consumers at shopping centers, hypermarkets and street stores. We finance a substantial majority of our credit card and personal loans consumer financing activities through securitization of the receivables underlying the accounts we originate. Our revenues from consumer financing transactions are derived from interest income generated by financing and lending activities, merchants' fees, insurance charges for life and disability insurance and fees for data processing and printing cardholders' account statement.

Hotel operations. This segment includes the operating results of our hotels principally comprised of room, catering and restaurant revenues.

Financial operations and others. This segment primarily includes revenues and associated costs generated from the sale of equity securities, other securities-related transactions and other non-core activities.

We measure our reportable segments based on net income. Inter-segment transactions, if any, are accounted for at current market prices. We evaluate performance and allocate our resources to each segment based on operating income. The company is not dependent on any single customer.

Allocation of expenses and other income to business segments

Allocation of selling expenses to business segments

Selling expenses directly attributable to the Shopping centers, Consumer financing and Hotel operations segments are directly allocated to these segments. These expenses are individually incurred by each segment. All other selling expenses are allocated to the remaining segments based on the expenses incurred by each segment.

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Allocation of administrative expenses to business segments

Administrative expenses directly attributable to the Shopping centers, Consumer financing, and Hotel operations segments are directly allocated to these segments. These expenses are incurred individually by these segments. All other administrative expenses are prorated among the Development and sale of properties and the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segments based on the percentage of the operating assets and revenues generated by each segment. Accordingly, 35.7% and 64.3% of administrative expenses (excluding expenses directly attributable to the Shopping centers, Consumer financing, and Hotel operations segments) are allocated to the Development and sale of properties and the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segments, respectively.

Allocation of results from retained interest in securitized receivables to business segments

APSA's results from its interest in Tarjeta Shopping trusts are allocated to our Consumer financing segment.

Allocation of results from operations and holding of real estate assets, net

These results are allocated to the segment that generates them.

Allocation of the amortization of goodwill

Includes, principally, the amortization of goodwill generated from (i) the acquisition of APSA, (ii) the acquisition of APSA's subsidiaries, (iii) the purchase of APSA's Convertible Notes and (iv) the acquisition of 33% interest in Palermo Invest. The amortization is allocated to the segment that generates the corresponding goodwill.

Allocation of financial results to business segments

Financial results, net

Includes interest income, interest on discounting assets and liabilities, gain (loss) on financial operations, financial expenses, exchange gain (loss), and other financial results allocated to each segment, as described below.

Gain (loss) on financial operations

The gains (losses) on financial operations related to the Shopping centers, Consumer financing, and Hotel operations segments are directly allocated to these segments as each of them manages their financial results separately. The remaining financial gains or losses are shown in the Financial operations and others segment since they are not specifically generated by any other separate segment.

Interest income, interest on discounting assets and liabilities and financial expenses

Only the results generated by APSA, Tarshop, and our hotels are recorded in the Shopping centers, Consumer financing and Hotel operations segments, respectively. The remaining results are prorated among Development and sale of properties, Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties, Shopping centers, Consumer financing, Hotel operations, and Financial operations and others in proportion to the corresponding assets to each segment.

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In the case of Shopping centers, Consumer financing, and Hotel operations, exchange gains (losses) and other financial results are attributed to the segments that give rise to them. The remaining items are recorded in Financial operations and others as they are not directly related to any segment.

Allocation of (Loss) gain on equity investees

(Loss) gain on equity investees is allocated mainly to the Financial operations and others segment.

Allocation of other (income) expenses, net

The Shopping centers, Consumer financing, and Hotel operations segments each manage their expenses individually. The results generated by such operations are directly allocated to these segments. The remaining expenses are shown in the Financial operations and others segment since they are not specifically generated by any other separate segment.

Allocation of minority interest

Minority interests are allocated among our respective segments that generate them.

Allocation of income tax and MPIT

The corresponding taxes are allocated to the segment that generates them, with the exception of certain taxes (not related to the Shopping centers, Consumer financing, and Hotel operations segments) that are prorated among the Development and sale of properties, the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties and the Financial operations and others segments.

The following tables show certain operating data by business segment:

As of and for year ended June 30, 2009	Development and sale of properties	Offices and other non- shopping center rental properties ^(a)	Shopping centers	Hotel operations	Consumer financing	Financial operations and others	Total
	(in thousand of Ps.)						
Statement of Income Data							
Revenues	280,362	147,749	396,733	158,913	236,827		1,220,584
Costs	(148,318)	(29,330)	(109,275)	(98,889)	(122,694)		(508,506)
Gross profit	132,044	118,419	287,458	60,024	114,133		712,078
Gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value	12,056						12,056
Selling expenses	(2,115)	(11,460)	(29,308)	(16,546)	(176,772)		(236,201)
Administrative expenses	(20,867)	(31,547)	(43,247)	(34,888)	(16,780)		(147,329)
Net loss from retained interest in securitized receivables					(46,012)		(46,012)
Gain from operations and holdings of real estate assets, net	51	1,073					1,124
Operating income (loss)	121,169	76,485	214,903	8,590	(125,431)		295,716
Amortization of negative goodwill, net	455	1,100	47				1,602
Gain on equity investees	1,974		40			59,528 ^(f)	61,542
Financial results, net	(6,222)	(14,202)	(92,602)	(16,083)	(1,827)	(5,445)	(136,381)
Other income (expenses), net			3,882	127	(606)	(12,258)	(8,855)

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Income (loss) before taxes and minority interest	117,376	63,383	126,270	(7,366)	(127,864)	41,825	213,624
Income tax and MPIT	(41,149)	(16,542)	(53,258)	3,233	37,484	(10,102)	(80,334)
Minority interest	61		(22,104)	5,565	41,823		25,345
Net income (loss)	76,288	46,841	50,908	1,432	(48,557)	31,723	158,635
Gross margin ^(b)	0.47	0.80	0.72	0.38	0.48		0.58
Operating margin ^(c)	0.43	0.52	0.54	0.05	(0.53)		0.24
Net margin ^(d)	0.27	0.32	0.13	0.01	(0.21)		0.13
Depreciation and amortization ^(e)	782	23,962	86,643	18,001	5,584		134,972
Balance Sheet Data							
Operating assets	467,808	940,280	1,831,428	219,158	153,892		3,612,566
Non-operating assets	40,020	74,633	189,244	27,231	20,973	971,320	1,323,421
Total assets	507,828	1,014,913	2,020,672	246,389	174,865	971,320	4,935,987
Operating liabilities	25,379	122,869	413,381	31,236	136,853		729,718
Non-operating liabilities	303,808	304,426	672,794	174,765	106,761	83,672	1,646,226
Total liabilities	329,187	427,295	1,086,175	206,001	243,614	83,672	2,375,944

(a) includes offices, commercial and residential premises.

(b) Gross profit divided by revenues.

(c) Operating income (loss) divided by revenues.

(d) Net income (loss) divided by revenues.

(e) Included in operating income (loss).

(f) Includes Ps. 142.1 million gain generated by Banco Hipotecario and Ps. 82.3 million loss generated by Metropolitan.

As of and for year ended June 30, 2008	Development and sale of properties	Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties ^(a)	Shopping centers	Hotel operations	Consumer financing	Financial operations and others	Total
			(in thousand of Ps.)				
Statement of Income Data							
Revenues	196,811	102,159	345,395	148,847	291,030		1,084,242
Costs	(150,894)	(26,347)	(99,175)	(84,220)	(103,587)		(464,223)
Gross profit	45,917	75,812	246,220	64,627	187,443		620,019
Gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value	2,832						2,832
Selling expenses	(7,696)	(3,458)	(24,809)	(16,608)	(194,726)		(247,297)
Administrative expenses	(21,849)	(22,028)	(39,150)	(29,979)	(9,115)		(122,121)
Net loss from retained interest in securitized receivables					(1,261)		(1,261)
Gain from operations and holdings of real estate assets, net	66	2,604					2,670
Operating income (loss)	19,270	52,930	182,261	18,040	(17,659)		254,842
Amortization of negative goodwill, net	488	1,782	(390)		(242)		1,638
Loss on equity investees	(1,065)		(33)	(23)		(12,088)	(13,209)
Financial results, net	(8,502)	(10,069)	(23,585)	(5,884)	(375)	(28,327)	(76,742)
Other income (expenses), net			4,975	(5,713)	3,800	(8,704)	(5,642)
Income (loss) before taxes and minority interest	10,191	44,643	163,228	6,420	(14,476)	(49,119)	160,887
Income tax and MPIT	1,820	1,679	(74,992)	(4,010)	(1,522)	(1,087)	(78,112)
Minority interest	1		(36,347)	863	7,458	125	(27,900)
Net income (loss)	12,012	46,322	51,889	3,273	(8,540)	(50,081)	54,875
Gross margin ^(b)	0.23	0.74	0.71	0.43	0.64		0.57
Operating margin ^(c)	0.10	0.52	0.53	0.12	(0.06)		0.24
Net margin ^(d)	0.06	0.45	0.15	0.02	(0.03)		0.05

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Depreciation and amortization ^(e)	577	26,274	73,185	13,283	1,888	115,207
Balance Sheet Data						

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Operating assets	436,392	999,060	1,642,341	233,613	113,052		3,424,458
Non-operating assets	26,519	57,433	62,649	18,426	21,068	861,419	1,047,514
Total assets	462,911	1,056,493	1,704,990	252,039	134,120	861,419	4,471,972
Operating liabilities	25,530	100,430	250,957	33,115	205,671		615,703
Non-operating liabilities	247,320	209,399	662,174	199,813	75,714	80,956	1,475,376
Total liabilities	272,850	309,829	913,131	232,928	281,385	80,956	2,091,079

- (a) Includes offices, commercial and residential premises.
(b) Gross profit divided by revenues.
(c) Operating income (loss) divided by revenues.
(d) Net income (loss) divided by revenues.
(e) Included in operating income (loss).

As of and for year ended June 30, 2007	Development and sale of properties	Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties ^(a)	Shopping centers	Hotel operations	Consumer financing	Financial operations and others	Total
(in thousand of Ps.)							
Statement of Income Data							
Revenues	75,751	57,093	270,266	122,681	212,965		738,756
Costs	(57,823)	(17,501)	(91,112)	(68,960)	(59,712)		(295,108)
Gross profit	17,928	39,592	179,154	53,721	153,253		443,648
Gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value	20,737						20,737
Selling expenses	(12,846)	(4,376)	(22,346)	(12,175)	(117,105)		(168,848)
Administrative expenses	(19,624)	(16,827)	(32,717)	(26,893)	(6,766)		(102,827)
Net income from retained interest in securitized receivables					3,254		3,254
(Loss) gain from operations and holdings of real estate assets	(18)	1,845	741				2,568
Operating income	6,177	20,234	124,832	14,653	32,636		198,532
Amortization of negative goodwill, net	286	1,044	(2,802)				(1,472)
(Loss) gain on equity investees	(491)		(818)	(412)		41,747	40,026
Financial results, net	(7,088)	(6,256)	(28,190)	(5,268)	825	50,076	4,099
Other (expenses) income, net			(6,382)	160	3,034	(10,912)	(14,100)
(Loss) income before taxes and minority interest	(1,116)	15,022	86,640	9,133	36,495	80,911	227,085
Income tax and MPIT	(11,786)	(1,987)	(40,798)	(3,102)	(15,455)	(14,411)	(87,539)
Minority interest	(4)	(326)	(22,000)	(1,400)	(8,719)		(32,449)
Net (loss) income	(12,906)	12,709	23,842	4,631	12,321	66,500	107,097
Gross margin ^(b)	0.24	0.69	0.66	0.44	0.72		0.60
Operating margin ^(c)	0.08	0.35	0.46	0.12	0.15		0.27
Net margin ^(d)	(0.17)	0.22	0.09	0.04	0.06		0.14
Depreciation and amortization ^(e)	39	17,309	67,046	12,358	1,297		98,049
Balance Sheet Data							
Operating assets	508,742	675,321	1,336,166	202,113	139,657		2,861,999
Non-operating assets	30,516	24,662	39,073	6,318	18,771	1,163,560	1,282,900
Total assets	539,258	699,983	1,375,239	208,431	158,428	1,163,560	4,144,899
Operating liabilities	31,472	83,073	199,616	23,304	165,713		503,178
Non-operating liabilities	278,615	247,763	734,370	153,117	44,722	86,010	1,544,597
Total liabilities	310,087	330,836	933,986	176,421	210,435	86,010	2,047,775

- (a) Includes offices, commercial and residential premises.

- (b) Gross profit divided by revenues.
- (c) Operating income divided by revenues.
- (d) Net (loss) income divided by revenues.
- (e) Included in operating income.

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Results of Operations for the Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2008 and 2009.

Revenues

Revenues grew by 12.6%, from Ps. 1,084.2 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 1,220.6 million in fiscal 2009 as further described below on a segment-by-segment basis.

Development and sale of properties

Revenues of the Development and sale of properties segment increased by 42.5% from Ps. 196.8 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 280.4 million in fiscal year 2009. Revenues in this segment often vary from period to period due to: (i) the quantity and prices of the properties sold and (ii) the properties being constructed and the degree of progress of said projects.

Revenues for the 2008 fiscal year included (i) the sales of 29.9% over the Bouchard Plaza building, commonly known as Edificio La Nación, for Ps. 108.4 million; (ii) the sale of Parcel Y at Dock III for Ps. 56.6 million; (iii) a barter agreement through which a plot of land in the project known as Terreno Caballito was exchanged for home units and parking lots appraised at Ps. 19.2 million and (iv) a barter agreement through which a plot of land in the project known as Terreno Rosario was exchanged for home units and parking lots appraised at Ps. 3.4 million. During fiscal year 2009, revenues were mainly due to: (i) the sale of all the units in the building Laminar Plaza for Ps. 74.5 million; (ii) the sale of all the units in Torre Renoir building for Ps. 53.8 million; (iii) the sale of 8 functional units at Dock del Plata for Ps. 42.1 million; (iv) the sale of 4 stories at the building located at Av. Del Libertador 498 for Ps. 36.4 million and (v) the sale of Reconquista 823 building for Ps. 31.5 million.

Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties

Revenues in the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment grew by 44.6%, up from Ps. 102.2 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 147.7 million in fiscal year 2009. This increase was mainly due to a Ps. 43.6 million increase in revenues from office rentals from Ps. 97.9 million in fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 141.5 million in fiscal year 2009. This Ps. 43.6 million increase in revenues was mainly due to increased leased space in our Class A office buildings (mainly for Edificio República's Leases) coupled with increased prices per leasable square meter.

Shopping centers

Revenues in the Shopping centers segment rose by 14.9% from Ps. 345.4 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 396.7 million in fiscal year 2009. This rise was in turn mainly due to a Ps. 44.3 million increase in revenues from rentals and admission fees owing to: (i) the rise in the average price per square meter, (ii) new revenues due to the opening of the Dot Baires Shopping and (iii) a 13.3% rise in the total sales of our tenants, which rose from Ps. 3,702.3 million during the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2008 to Ps. 4,194.2 million in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, which in turn resulted in an increase in percentage leases. The average occupancy rate at our Shopping centers sustained a slight decrease, down from 99.3% during fiscal 2008 to 98.5% during fiscal 2009.

Hotel operations

Revenues in the Hotel operations segment rose by 6.8% from Ps. 148.8 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 158.9 million in fiscal year 2009, mainly owing to: an increase in the average price per room at the hotels, offset by a drop in the average occupancy rate which decreased from 76.0% in fiscal 2008 to 69.8% in fiscal 2009.

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Consumer financing

Revenues in the Consumer financing segment diminished by 18.6%, down from Ps. 291.0 million during fiscal 2008 to Ps. 236.8 million during fiscal year 2009. This was due to decreases in: (i) sales at retail stores and supermarkets; (ii) the loans granted; (iii) the cards issued and (iv) the number of statements of account issued.

Costs

Costs rose by 9.5%, up from Ps. 464.2 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 508.5 million in fiscal year 2009, due to the increased costs posted by the segments Consumer financing, Hotel operations, Shopping centers and Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties.

Development and sale of properties

The costs associated with the Development and sale of properties segment decreased by 1.7% down from Ps. 150.9 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 148.3 million in fiscal 2009. The costs associated with this segment often reflect significant variations between periods, according to: (i) the number and prices of the properties sold, (ii) the properties being constructed and the degree of progress of said projects.

The costs incurred in fiscal year 2009 were mainly due to: (i) the sale of the Laminar Plaza building, for Ps. 29.6 million; (ii) the sale of all the units at Torre Renoir, for Ps. 49.4 million; (iii) the sale of 8 functional units at Dock del Plata, for Ps. 13.3 million; (iv) the sale in the course of the fiscal year of 4 floors at the building located at Av. Del Libertador 498, for Ps. 12.0 million and (v) the sale of the building located at Reconquista 823, for Ps. 18.8 million.

The costs associated with the Development and sale of properties segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues decreased from 76.7% during fiscal year 2008 to 52.9% during fiscal year 2009.

Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties

The costs in the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment rose by 11.3%, from Ps. 26.3 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 29.3 million in fiscal year 2009. Depreciation constitutes the principal component of cost for this segment.

The increase in costs for the fiscal year 2009 when compared to fiscal year 2008 was mainly due to the increase in real property maintenance expenses which were Ps. 2.4 million and to the increase in depreciation which amounted to Ps. 2.1 million.

The costs associated with the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues dropped, from 25.8% during fiscal year 2008 to 19.9% during fiscal year 2009.

Shopping centers

The Shopping centers segment's costs rose by 10.2% from Ps. 99.2 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 109.3 million in fiscal year 2009. This increase is mainly due to: (i) a Ps. 13.5 million increase in the charge for Depreciations and amortizations and (ii) a Ps. 4.2 million

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increase in the costs associated with parking; which were partially offset by (iii) a Ps. 4.3 million decrease in the costs of unrecovered common maintenance expenses; and (iv) a Ps. 2.5 million decrease in the costs associated with revamping and refurbishment works in leasable areas. The costs associated with our Shopping centers segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues, decreased from 28.7% in the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2008 to 27.5% in the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2009, as costs for this segment, which grew by 10.2%, rose less than revenues, which grew by 14.9%, in the course of this fiscal year.

Hotel operations

The costs in the Hotel operations segment rose by 17.4%, from Ps. 84.2 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 98.9 million in fiscal year 2009, mainly due to the salary raise and the increase in social security contributions, an increase in depreciations mainly due to the construction of new suites in the Hotel Llao Llao, and amortizations and an increase in the commissions paid.

The costs associated with the Hotel operations segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues increased from 56.6% in fiscal 2008 to 62.2% in fiscal 2009.

Consumer financing

The costs of our Consumer financing segment grew by 18.4%, up from Ps. 103.6 million in the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2008 to Ps. 122.7 million in the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2009. The reasons for this hike were: (i) higher commission and interest costs, (ii) higher costs associated with salaries and social security contributions; (iii) higher public utilities costs; (iv) costs associated with fixed assets depreciations, (v) rentals and common maintenance expenses and (vi) all other costs related to various taxes and rates, partially offset by (vii) a decrease in fees and third parties' services.

The costs associated with the Consumer financing operations as a percentage of this segment's revenues rose from 35.6% during fiscal 2008 to 51.8% during fiscal year 2009.

Gross profit

As a result of the above, Gross profit rose by 14.8%, from Ps. 620.0 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 712.1 million in fiscal year 2009, mainly due to the increase in Gross profit posted by the segments Development and sale of properties, Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties and Shopping centers.

Gross profit, calculated as a percentage of revenues, rose from 57.2% for the fiscal year 2008 to 58.3% for the fiscal year 2009.

Gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value

During fiscal year 2009, we recognized gains for Ps. 12.1 on the recognition of inventories at net realizable value, mainly in connection with Torre Renoir for Ps. 5.5 million and Torres Caballito for Ps. 5.0 million; compared to the Ps. 2.8 million gains posted during fiscal 2008, mainly attributable to the Torre Renoir building for Ps. 2.6 million.

Selling expenses

Selling expenses dropped by 4.5% down from Ps. 247.3 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 236.2 million in fiscal year 2009, mainly due to the decrease in the selling expenses of the segments Consumer financing and Development and sale of properties and to the slight reduction in the segment Hotel operations. This was partially offset by increases in the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties and Shopping centers segments.

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Selling expenses as a percentage of revenues decreased from 22.8% in fiscal 2008 to 19.4% in fiscal 2009.

Development and sale of properties

The Selling expenses in the Development and sale of properties segment consist in turnover tax, commissions and expenses arising from sales deals, advertising and promotion as well as the allowance for doubtful accounts. Selling expenses decreased by 72.5%, from Ps. 7.7 million during fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 2.1 million during fiscal year 2009, mainly due to a Ps. 3.0 million decrease in turnover tax.

The Selling expenses associated with the Development and sale of properties segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues dropped by 3.9% during fiscal year 2008 to 0.8% during fiscal year 2009.

Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties

The Selling expenses associated with the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment rose by Ps. 8.0 million from Ps. 3.5 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 11.5 million in fiscal year 2009 mainly owing to the increase in the allowance for doubtful accounts and the increase in turnover tax.

The Selling expenses associated to the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues rose by 3.4% during fiscal year 2008 to 7.8% during fiscal year 2009.

Shopping centers

The Selling expenses associated to the Shopping centers segment grew by 18.1% from Ps. 24.8 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 29.3 million in fiscal year 2009 as a result of: (i) a Ps. 3.8 million increase in the allowance for doubtful accounts; (ii) a Ps. 1.0 million increase in salaries and social security contributions; and (iii) a Ps. 0.6 million increase in advertising expenses; (iv) partially offset by a Ps. 1.0 million decrease in trade fairs and events expenses.

The Selling expenses associated to the Shopping centers segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues rose from 7.2% during fiscal year 2008 to 7.4% during fiscal year 2009.

Hotel operations

The Selling expenses associated to the Hotel operations segment for fiscal year 2009 remained stable compared to fiscal year 2008.

The Selling expenses associated to the Hotel operations segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues dropped by 11.2% during fiscal year 2008 to 10.4% during fiscal year 2009.

Consumer financing

The Selling expenses associated to the Consumer financing segment fell by 9.2%, down from Ps. 194.7 million during fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 176.8 million during fiscal year 2009, mainly due to: (i) a Ps. 10.3 million reduction concerning salaries and social security

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contributions; (ii) a decrease in advertising expenses in the amount of Ps. 14.2 million; (iii) a Ps. 7.9 million decrease in fees; (iv) all of which were offset by the Ps. 18.9 million increase in the allowance for loan losses.

The Selling expenses associated to the Consumer financing segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues rose from 66.9% during fiscal year 2008 to 74.6% during fiscal year 2009.

Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses rose by 20.6%, from Ps. 122.1 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 147.3 million in fiscal year 2009, mainly due to an increase in the activities conducted by the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties, Shopping centers, Hotel operations and Consumer financing segments, offset by a drop in the expenses posted by the Development and sale of properties segment. The main components of the administrative expenses are salaries and social security contributions associated to the administrative personnel, fees and payments for services, directors' fees, banking expenses, fixed asset depreciation and taxes (except for the turnover tax).

The administrative expenses as a percentage of revenues grew from 11.3% in fiscal year 2008 to 12.1% in fiscal year 2009.

Development and sale of properties

The administrative expenses associated to the Development and sale of properties segment dropped by 4.5%, from Ps. 21.8 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 20.9 million in fiscal year 2009, mainly due to the reductions in fees and payments for services and in salaries and social security contributions, partially offset by an increase in Directors' fees.

The administrative expenses associated to the Development and sale of properties segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues dropped from 11.1% for fiscal year 2008 to 7.4% in fiscal year 2009.

Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties

The administrative expenses of the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment rose by 43.2%, from Ps. 22.0 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 31.5 million in fiscal year 2009. The increase is mainly due to an increase in Directors' fees, in salaries and social security contributions and in fees and payments for services.

The administrative expenses associated to the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues decreased from 21.6% for fiscal year 2008 to 21.4% in fiscal year 2009.

Shopping centers

The administrative expenses associated to the Shopping centers segment rose by 10.5%, from Ps. 39.2 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 43.2 million in fiscal year 2009 mainly due to (i) a Ps. 2.4 million increase in the expenses related to taxes, rates and contributions attributable mainly to the tax on bank debits and credits and; (ii) a Ps. 1.7 million increase in the charges for fees and services; these increases were partially offset by a Ps. 1.1 million decrease in salaries and social security contributions.

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The administrative expenses associated to the Shopping centers segment, as a percentage of this segment's revenues diminished from 11.3% during fiscal year 2008 to 10.9% during fiscal year 2009.

Hotel operations

The administrative expenses associated to the Hotel operations segment rose by 16.4%, from Ps. 30.0 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 34.9 million in fiscal year 2009. The increase was mainly due to (i) a Ps. 3.5 million increase in salaries and social security contributions; (ii) a Ps. 1.0 million increase in commissions and (iii) depreciations for Ps. 0.8 million.

The administrative expenses associated to the Hotel operations segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues rose from 20.1% for fiscal year 2008 to 22.0% for fiscal year 2009.

Consumer financing

The administrative expenses associated to the Consumer financing segment grew by 84.1%, up from Ps. 9.1 million during fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 16.8 million during fiscal year 2009. This rise was mainly due to: (i) a Ps. 3.5 million increase in salaries and social security contributions; (ii) the Ps. 1.3 million increase in expenses concerning taxes, rates and contributions and (iii) a Ps. 1.1 million increase in the fees for services charge.

The administrative expenses associated to the Consumer financing segment as a percentage of this segment's revenues rose from 3.1% during fiscal year 2008 to 7.1% during fiscal year 2009.

Net loss from retained interest in securitized receivables

The net loss from the retained interest in securitized receivables rose by Ps. 44.7 million, from Ps. 1.3 million in the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2008 up to Ps. 46.0 million in the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2009, owing to the gains/losses on the placement of the new issuances related to the credit card trusts and the valuation of our interest in them. As of June 30, 2008, an allowance for impairment had been raised in the amount of Ps. 12.0 million, in order to adjust the book value of our participation certificates to their estimated recoverable value.

Gain from operations and holdings of real estate assets, net

This line reflects impairment gain associated to the reversal of charges for impairment recognized in the past. Gain from operations and holding of real estate assets, net, decreased by 57.9% from Ps. 2.7 million income for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 1.1 million income in fiscal year 2009, mainly recognized for Ps. 1.1 million in the Constitución 1159 building. During fiscal year 2008, the Ps. 2.7 million income had been primarily attributed to the Constitución 1159 building for Ps. 2.1 million, to the Sarmiento 517 property for Ps. 0.3 million and to the Constitución 1111 property for Ps. 0.2 million.

Operating income (loss)

Operating income grew by 16.0% from Ps. 254.8 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 295.7 million in fiscal year 2009, owing mainly to an increase in the Development and sale of properties, Shopping centers offices and other non-shopping center rental properties which was partially offset by a decrease in the Operating income (loss) of the Consumer financing and Hotel operations segments.

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Operating income as a percentage of revenues rose from 23.5% in fiscal year 2008 to 24.2% for fiscal year 2009.

Development and sale of properties

Operating income for the Development and sale of properties segment rose by Ps. 101.9 million up from Ps. 19.3 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 121.2 million for the fiscal year 2009, due, to a large extent, to the increases in revenues and in the Income/(loss) from recognition of inventories at net realizable value and to a decrease in costs, selling expenses and administrative expenses.

Operating income for the Development and sale of properties segment, as a percentage of this segment's revenues rose from 9.8% during fiscal year 2008 to 43.2% during fiscal year 2009.

Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties

Operating income for the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment rose by 44.5%, from Ps. 52.9 million for the fiscal year 2008 up to Ps. 76.5 million in fiscal year 2009, due largely to an increase in revenues and a decrease in Selling expenses, partially offset by higher costs and an increase in Administrative expenses.

Operating income for the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment, as a percentage of this segment's revenues remained stable at 51.8% during fiscal year 2009 compared to the previous fiscal year.

Shopping centers

Operating income for the Shopping centers segment rose by 17.9%, from Ps. 182.3 million for the fiscal year 2008 up to Ps. 214.9 million in fiscal year 2009, largely due to an increase in revenues, partially offset by increases in costs and in administrative and selling expenses.

Operating income for the Shopping centers segment, as a percentage of this segment's revenues rose from 52.8% during fiscal year 2008 to 54.2% during fiscal year 2009.

Hotel operations

Operating income for the Hotel operations segment diminished by 52.4% from Ps. 18.0 million for the fiscal year 2008 down to Ps. 8.6 million in fiscal year 2009, largely due to an increase in revenues and to a decrease in Selling expenses which were partially offset by the increase in costs and in administrative expenses.

Operating income for the Hotel operations segment, as a percentage of this segment's revenues, decreased from 12.1% during fiscal year 2008 down to 5.4% during fiscal year 2009.

Consumer financing

Operating income (loss) for the Consumer financing segment diminished by Ps. 107.8 million, from a Ps. 17.7 million loss for the fiscal year 2008 to a Ps. 125.4 million loss in fiscal year 2009, largely due to a decrease in revenues and an increase in costs and in administrative expenses and the loss on the Company's retained interest in securitized receivables.

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The operating loss for the Consumer financing segment, as a percentage of this segment's revenues increased from (6.1%) for fiscal year 2008 to (53.0%) during fiscal year 2009.

Amortization of negative goodwill, net

Amortization of negative goodwill, net, includes: (i) the amortization of the goodwill associated to the following APSA subsidiaries: Shopping Alto Palermo S.A. (completed in the course of this fiscal year), Fibesa S.A, Tarshop, Emprendimiento Recoleta S.A. and Empalme and (ii) the amortization of our negative goodwill arising from the acquisition of shares in Alto Palermo S.A. and Palermo Invest S.A. Goodwill amortization remained stable in this fiscal year when compared to the previous fiscal year.

Gain (loss) on equity investees

The gain (loss) on equity investees rose by Ps. 74.8 million, from a Ps. 13.2 million loss for the fiscal year 2008 up to Ps. 61.5 million income in fiscal year 2009. This increase was mainly generated by the valuation and acquisition of Banco Hipotecario's shares which went from a loss of Ps. 12.4 million in fiscal year 2008 to a gain of Ps. 142.1 million in fiscal year 2009, mainly related to the gain recognized by the acquisition of additional shares accounted for under the purchase method of accounting, partially offset by a loss of Ps. 82.3 million incurred as a result of our investment in Metropolitan, mainly by the impairment charges in connection with the Lipstick building.

Financial results, net

Financial results, net increased by Ps. 59.6 million, from a Ps. 76.7 million loss for the fiscal year 2008 to a Ps. 136.4 million loss in fiscal year 2009. The main reasons for this loss were: foreign exchange losses for Ps. 166.3 million compared to the fiscal year 2008, caused by a significant variation in the selling US Dollar/Argentine Peso exchange rate during the fiscal year herein discussed (it rose from Ps. 3.025 at June 30 2008 to Ps. 3.797 at June 30, 2009), in contrast to the situation a year earlier, when the exchange rate between the Argentine Peso and the US Dollar had remained almost stable (it dropped from Ps. 3.093 at June 30, 2007 to Ps. 3.025 at June 30 2008), partially offset by the income resulting from the repurchases of the notes issued by our subsidiary APSA for Ps. 105.9 million.

Other expenses, net

The caption Other expenses, net, rose by 57.0% from a Ps. 5.6 million loss in 2008 to Ps. 8.9 million loss in 2009 mainly due to: (i) the increase of Ps. 3.2 million in unrecoverable VAT which rose from a loss of Ps. 1.1 million in 2008 to a loss of Ps. 4.3 million in 2009, (ii) the non recurrence of the gain from cancellation of liabilities and the recovery on fire damages of Ps. 3.0 million and 2.6 million, respectively net of (iii) the decrease of the Ps. 5.0 million in donations which decrease from a loss of Ps. 6.9 million in 2008 to a loss of Ps. 1.9 million in 2009.

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Income before taxes and minority interest

As a result of the foregoing, Income before taxes and minority interest increased by Ps. 52.7 million, from Ps. 160.9 million income for the fiscal year 2008, to Ps. 213.6 million income in fiscal year 2009.

Income tax and MPIT

Income tax and MPIT remained relatively stable and went from Ps. 78.1 million for the fiscal year 2008 to Ps. 80.3 million in fiscal year 2009. We followed the deferred tax method to calculate our income tax for the two fiscal years, which entails recognizing any temporary differences between the amounts for accounting purposes and tax assets and liabilities.

Minority interest

This item includes our proportional equity interests in the subsidiaries in which we own a minority interest. The result from third parties' interests in those subsidiaries rose by Ps. 53.2 million from a Ps. 27.9 million loss for the fiscal year 2008 up to Ps. 25.3 million income in fiscal year 2009, mainly due to the losses incurred by the companies in which we hold a Minority interest.

Net income

As a result of the above, income for the year rose by Ps. 103.8 million from Ps. 54.9 million for the fiscal year 2008 up to Ps. 158.6 million in fiscal year 2009.

Results of Operations for the Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2007 and 2008.

Revenues

Revenues rose by 46.8%, from Ps. 738.8 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 1,084.2 million in fiscal year 2008, due mainly to an increase in revenues from our segments of Development and sale of properties, Consumer financing, Shopping centers, Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties, and Hotel operations.

Development and sale of properties

The revenues of our Development and sale of properties segment rose by 159.8% from Ps. 75.8 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 196.8 million in fiscal year 2008. Revenues associated with this segment commonly sustain significant period-on-period variations arising from: (i) the number of properties sold and their prices, (ii) the properties in construction and the degree of progress of such projects.

This increase in revenues was primarily due to the revenues generated during fiscal year 2008 by (i) the sale of 29.9% of the Bouchard Plaza building, commonly known as Edificio La Nación, for Ps. 108.4 million; (ii) the sale of Parcel Y at Dock III for Ps. 56.6 million; (iii) a barter agreement through which a plot of land in the project known as Terreno Caballito was exchanged for home units and parking lots appraised at Ps. 19.2 million and (iv) a barter agreement through which a plot of land in the project known as Terreno Rosario was exchanged for home units and parking lots appraised at Ps. 3.4 million.

Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties

The revenues of our Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment increased by 78.9%, from Ps. 57.1 million for fiscal 2007 to Ps. 102.2 million in fiscal year 2008. This increase was mainly due to Ps. 45.0 million increase in revenues from office rentals which

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rose from Ps. 52.9 million in fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 97.9 million in fiscal year 2008. This Ps. 45 million increase in revenues is mainly attributable to: (i) Ps. 28.3 million in revenues from rentals in our recently acquired Class A office buildings, as follows: Della Paolera 265, purchased in August 2007 generated revenues for Ps. 15.7 million, Bouchard 551, acquired in March 2007, generated revenues of Ps. 8.8 million, and Dock del Plata, acquired in November 2006, generated revenues of Ps. 3.8 million; and (ii) Ps. 16.1 million in revenues from rentals due to the rise in the prices charged per square meter and similarly increased occupancy rates (which sustained a slight reduction from 94% during fiscal 2007 to 93.6% during fiscal year 2008).

Shopping centers

The revenues of our Shopping centers segment rose by 27.8% from Ps. 270.3 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 345.4 million in fiscal year 2008. This increase originated mainly in to Ps. 62.6 million increase in revenues from rentals and admission rights due in turn to a 31.0% increase in the total sales of our tenants which increase from Ps. 2,825.8 million in fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 3,702.3 million in fiscal year 2008. The average occupancy rate at our shopping centers rose slightly from 99.1% in fiscal year 2007 to 99.3% during fiscal year 2008.

Hotel operations

The revenues of the Hotel operations segment rose by 21.3% from Ps. 122.7 million in fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 148.8 million in fiscal year 2008, mainly due to: (i) a 18.8% increase in the average price per room at the hotels (from Ps. 469.0 per night in fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 557.0 per night in fiscal year 2008); (ii) an increase in the average occupancy percentage from 74% in fiscal year 2007 to 76% in fiscal year 2008; and (iii) a 27.2% increase in the number of rooms available at Hotel Llao Llao, launched during fiscal year 2008.

Consumer financing

The revenues of the Consumer financing segment rose by 36.7%, up from Ps. 213.0 million during fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 291 million during fiscal year 2008. This was the result of: (i) the macroeconomic conditions prevailing in Argentina in 2008 and the consequent rise in consumption; (ii) the continuous enhancement in the services rendered to Tarshop customers; (iii) an increase in the fees charged for the issuance of credit card statements and for the issuance of credit cards.

Costs

Costs increased by 57.3%, from Ps. 295.1 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 464.2 million in fiscal year 2008, due to an increase in the costs of the following segments: Development and sale of properties, Consumer financing, Hotel operations, Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties and Shopping centers.

When measured as a percentage of our revenues, costs went up from 39.9% during fiscal year 2007 to 42.8% during fiscal year 2008.

Development and sale of properties

The costs associated to Development and sale of properties increased by 161.0%, from Ps. 57.8 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 150.9 million in fiscal year 2008. The costs associated with this segment commonly sustain major period-on-period variations according to: (i) the number of properties sold and their prices and (ii) the properties in construction and the degree of progress of such projects.

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The increase in costs in fiscal year 2008 was mainly due to: (i) the sale of a 29.9% stake in the Bouchard Plaza building, commonly known as Edificio La Nación, for Ps. 89.4 million; (ii) the sale of Parcel Y at Dock III for Ps. 41.8 million; (iii) a barter agreement through which a plot of land in the project known as Terreno Caballito was exchanged for home units and parking lots for Ps. 10.1 million and (iv) Ps. 3.6 million in costs in connection with a barter agreement through which a plot of land in the project known as Terreno Rosario was exchanged for home units and parking lots.

When measured as a percentage of this segment revenues, the costs associated to the Development and sale of properties segment rose from 76.3% during fiscal year 2007 to 76.7% during fiscal year 2008.

Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties

The costs of the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment rose by 50.5%, from Ps. 17.5 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 26.3 million in fiscal year 2008. Depreciation accounts for the most significant portion of the costs associated to this segment.

The increase in the costs for fiscal year 2008 when compared to fiscal year 2007 was mainly due to increased depreciations which amounted to Ps. 9.3 million, as a consequence of the addition to our portfolio of four new buildings to be allocated to our rentals business, namely, Bouchard 551, Della Paolera 265, Dock del Plata and Museo Renault.

Shopping centers

The costs of the Shopping centers segment rose by 8.8% from Ps. 91.1 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 99.2 million in fiscal year 2008, primarily due to: (i) a Ps. 6.2 million increase in amortizations and depreciations; (ii) higher costs resulting from lawsuit-related contingencies in the amount of Ps. 1.6 million; (iii) an increase in parking-lot related expenses in the amount of Ps. 1.4 million; and (iv) an increase in costs associated to unrecoverable expenses in the amount of Ps. 1.1 million; offset in part by (v) a decrease in the costs related to refurbishments and changes in leasable areas in the amount of Ps. 2.2 million.

When measured as a percentage of this segment's revenues, the costs associated to the Shopping centers segment dropped from 33.7% during fiscal year 2007 to 28.7% during fiscal year 2008.

Hotel operations

The costs of the Hotel operations segment rose by 22.1%, from Ps. 69 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 84.2 million in fiscal year 2008, mainly due to salary increases and increased social security contributions, increases in the costs of food and beverages, repairs and maintenance, public utilities, and fees and commissions paid.

When measured as a percentage of this segment's revenues, the costs associated to the Hotel operations segment rose from 56.2% in fiscal year 2007 to 56.6% in fiscal year 2008.

Consumer financing

The costs of the Consumer financing segment rose by 73.5% from Ps. 59.7 million during fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 103.6 million during fiscal year 2008 mainly as a result of: (i) an increase

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in the expenses related to interest and fees originating in the outsourcing of collection and other related services; (ii) an increase in expenses related to salaries and social security contributions; (iii) an increase in the fees for services; and (iv) an increase in taxes, charges, contributions and tax-related services.

When measured as a percentage of this segment's revenues, the costs associated to the Consumer financing segment increased from 28.0% during fiscal year 2007 to 35.6% in fiscal year 2008.

Gross profit

As a result of the above, gross profit rose by 39.8%, from Ps. 443.6 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 620.0 million in fiscal year 2008, mainly due to the increase in gross profit from the Shopping centers, Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties, Development and sale of properties, Consumer financing, and Hotel operations segments.

When measured as a percentage of our revenues, gross profit dropped from 60.1% for fiscal year 2007 to 57.2% for fiscal year 2008.

Gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value

During fiscal year 2008, we recorded a Ps. 2.8 million gain from recognition of inventories at net realizable value, primarily in connection with Torre Renoir for Ps. 2.6 million, compared to a Ps. 20.7 million gain during fiscal 2007, primarily related to Dock III Parcel X for Ps. 18.7 million and to San Martín de Tours for Ps. 1.5 million.

Selling expenses

Selling expenses rose by 46.5%, from Ps. 168.8 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 247.3 million in fiscal year 2008, mainly due to an increase in the selling expenses associated to the Consumer financing segment and to a lesser extent, in the Hotel operations and Shopping centers segments, offset in part by the decreases in the Development and sale of properties, and Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segments.

When measured as a percentage of revenues, Selling expenses decreased from 22.9% for fiscal year 2007 to 22.8% in fiscal year 2008.

Development and sale of properties

The Selling expenses associated to the Development and sale of properties segment consist of turnover tax, commissions and expenses derived from sales, advertising and promotion and the allowance for doubtful accounts. Selling expenses dropped by 40.1%, from Ps. 12.8 million during fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 7.7 million during fiscal year 2008, primarily as a result of a Ps. 7.2 million decrease in turnover tax, offset in part by a Ps. 2.1 million increase in advertising and promotion expenses.

When measured as a percentage of the segment's revenues, the selling expenses related to the Development and sale of properties segment fell from 17.0% during fiscal year 2007 to 3.9% during fiscal year 2008.

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Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties

The Selling expenses associated to the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment decreased by Ps. 0.9 million from Ps. 4.4 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 3.5 million in fiscal year 2008 mainly due to the reduction in the allowance for doubtful accounts and to the decrease in advertising and promotion expenses; offset in part by an increase in turnover tax.

When measured as a percentage of the segment's revenues, the selling expenses associated to the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment fell from 7.7% during fiscal year 2007 to 3.4% during fiscal year 2008.

Shopping centers

The Selling expenses associated to the Shopping centers segment rose by 11.0% from Ps. 22.3 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 24.8 million in fiscal year 2008 as a result of: (i) a Ps. 2.1 million increase in salaries and social security contributions; (ii) a Ps. 0.9 million increase in exhibitions and events; and (iii) a Ps. 0.7 million increase in turnover tax; (iv) offset in part by a Ps. 1.2 million decrease in the allowance for doubtful accounts.

When measured as a percentage of the segment's revenues, the Selling expenses associated to the Shopping centers segment decreased from 8.3% during fiscal year 2007 to 7.2% during fiscal year 2008.

Hotel operations

The Selling expenses associated to the Hotel operations segment rose by 36.4% from Ps. 12.2 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 16.6 million for fiscal year 2008. This increase is primarily due to (i) an increase in the commissions of travel agents and credit cards in the amount of Ps. 2.1 million, basically indicative of the increase in the level of activities; and (ii) a Ps. 0.9 million increase in advertising.

When measured as a percentage of the segment's revenues, the selling expenses associated to the Hotel operations segment went up from 9.9% during fiscal year 2007 to 11.2% during fiscal year 2008.

Consumer financing

The Selling expenses associated to the Consumer financing segment increased by 66.3%, from Ps. 117.1 million during fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 194.7 million during fiscal year 2008, mainly due to: (i) a Ps. 38.6 million increase in bad debt charges. It is important to note in this respect that as of June 30, 2008, the thresholds that had been applied for establishing allowances in the previous year were raised. As a result of this increase, bad debt charges rose by Ps. 21.8 million; (ii) there was an 11.4 million increase in salaries and social security contributions; (iii) there was an increase in third parties' fees and services for Ps. 9.0 million and (iv) there was a Ps. 5.4 million increase in advertising and promotion expenses; and (v) there was a Ps. 4.7 million increase in turnover tax charges; (vi) there was a Ps. 3.2 million increase in the expenses concerning power supply, telephone, mail and other communications; (vii) there was a Ps. 2.2 million increase in taxes and miscellaneous rates and (viii) there was a Ps. 1.9 million increase in rentals and common maintenance expenses.

When measured as a percentage of the segment's revenues, the selling expenses associated to Consumer financing operations increased from 55.0% during fiscal year 2007 to 66.9% during fiscal year 2008.

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Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses rose by 18.8%, from Ps. 102.8 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 122.1 million in fiscal year 2008, mainly due to the increases sustained by each one of the remaining segments. The main components of Administrative expenses are salaries and social security contributions for administrative personnel, fees and payments for services, directors' fees, banking expenses, fixed assets depreciation and tax (except for turnover tax).

When measured as a percentage of revenues, Administrative expenses decreased from 13.9% in fiscal year 2007 to 11.3% in fiscal year 2008.

Development and sale of properties

The administrative expenses associated to the Development and sale of properties segment rose by 11.3%, from Ps. 19.6 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 21.8 million in fiscal year 2008, mainly due to a Ps. 1.6 million increase in fees and compensation for services.

When measured as a percentage of the segment's revenues, the administrative expenses associated to the Development and sale of properties segment dropped from 25.9% for fiscal year 2007 to 11.1% in fiscal year 2008.

Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties

The administrative expenses related to the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment rose by 30.9%, from Ps. 16.8 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 22.0 million in fiscal year 2008. The increase is mainly due to (i) a Ps. 2.5 million increase in fees and compensation for services; and (ii) a Ps. 0.7 million increase in salaries and social security contributions.

When measured as a percentage of the segment's revenues, the administrative expenses associated to the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment dropped from 29.5% for fiscal year 2007 to 21.6% in fiscal year 2008.

Shopping centers

The administrative expenses related to the Shopping centers segment rose by 19.7%, from Ps. 32.7 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 39.2 million in fiscal year 2008 mainly due to (i) a Ps. 3.3 million increase in salaries and social security contributions, (ii) a Ps. 1.7 million increase in taxes, mainly related to the tax on bank debits and credits and (iii) a Ps. 1.3 million increase in directors' fees.

When measured as a percentage of the segment's revenues, the administrative expenses associated to the Shopping centers segment, decreased from 12.1% during fiscal year 2007 to 11.3% during fiscal year 2008.

Hotel operations

The administrative expenses related to the Hotel operations segment rose by 11.5%, from Ps. 26.9 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 30.0 million in fiscal year 2008, mainly as a result of (i) a Ps. 1.9 million increase in salaries and social security contributions; and (ii) a Ps. 1.6 million increase in fees and compensation for services; offset in part by (iii) a Ps. 1.3 million decrease in commissions.

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When measured as a percentage of the segment's revenues, the Administrative expenses associated to the Hotel operations segment decreased from 21.9% for fiscal year 2007 to 20.1% for fiscal year 2008.

Consumer financing

The administrative expenses related to the Consumer financing segment rose by 34.7%, jumping from Ps. 6.8 million during fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 9.1 million during fiscal year 2008. This increase was mainly due to (i) a Ps. 1.6 million increase in salaries and social security contributions; (ii) a Ps. 0.3 million increase in power supply, telephone, mail and other communications.

When measured as a percentage of the segment's revenues, the administrative expenses associated to the Consumer financing segment decreased from 3.2% during fiscal year 2007 to 3.1% during fiscal year 2008.

Net income (loss) from retained interest in securitized receivables

Net income (loss) from retained interest in securitized receivables dropped by Ps. 4.6 million, from Ps. 3.3 million income for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 to a Ps. 1.3 million loss for fiscal year ended June 30, 2008 due to the outcome of the placement of new issuances related to credit card trusts and the appraisal of our interest therein. As of June 30, 2008, we raised an Allowance for impairment in the amount of Ps. 12.0 million, to adjust the book amount of our certificates of interest to their estimated recoverable value.

Gain from operations and holding of real estate assets, net

This line reflects the income and loss resulting from impairment and associated to the reversal of charges for impairment recognized in the past. Results from operation and holding of real estate assets rose by 4% from Ps. 2.6 million income for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 2.7 million income in fiscal year 2008 recognized mainly in relation to the building located at Constitución 1159 for Ps. 2.1 million. During fiscal year 2007, income for Ps. 2.6 million had been attributed as follows: Neuquén Project: Ps. 2.2 million, Suipacha 652: Ps. 0.9 million, and Av. de Mayo 589 for Ps. 0.7 million, offset in part by a loss of Ps. 1.5 million in connection with Torres Rosario.

Operating income

Operating income rose by 28.4% from Ps. 198.5 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 254.8 million in fiscal year 2008, mainly due to an increase in the Shopping centers, Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties, Development and sale of properties, and Hotel operations segments, offset in part by a decrease in the Operating income of the Consumer financing segment.

When measured as a percentage of revenues, Operating income decreased from 26.9% in fiscal year 2007 to 23.5% for fiscal year 2008.

Development and sale of properties

Operating income in the Development and sale of properties segment rose by Ps. 13.1 million up from Ps. 6.2 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 19.3 million for fiscal year 2008, to a large extent due to increases in revenues and a decrease in selling expenses, partially offset by (i) increased costs, (ii) a reduction in income from the recognition of inventories at net realizable value and (iii) an increase in Administrative expenses.

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When measured as a percentage of revenues for the segment, Operating income for the Development and sale of properties segment rose from 8.2% during fiscal year 2007 to 9.8% during fiscal year 2008.

Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties

Operating income in the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment rose by 161.6%, from Ps. 20.2 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 52.9 million in fiscal year 2008, to a large extent due to an increase in revenues and a decrease in selling expenses, partially offset by increased costs and an increase in Administrative expenses.

When measured as a percentage of revenues for the segment, Operating income for the Offices and other non-shopping center rental properties segment rose from 35.4% during fiscal year 2007 to 51.8% during fiscal year 2008.

Shopping centers

Operating income in the Shopping centers segment rose by 46.0%, from Ps. 124.8 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 182.3 million in fiscal year 2008, to a large extent due to an increase in revenues, partially offset by an increase in costs, an increase in administrative expenses and an increase in selling expenses.

When measured as a percentage of revenues for the segment, Operating income for the Shopping centers segment increased from 46.2% during fiscal year 2007 to 52.8% during fiscal year 2008.

Hotel operations

Operating income in the Hotel operations segment rose by 23.1% from Ps. 14.7 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 18 million in fiscal year 2008, to a large extent due to an increase in revenues, partially offset by an increase in costs, an increase in administrative expenses and an increase in selling expenses.

When measured as a percentage of revenues for the segment, Operating income for the Hotel operations segment, increased from 11.9% during fiscal year 2007 to 12.1% during fiscal year 2008.

Consumer financing

Operating income in the Consumer financing segment decreased by 154.1% from Ps. 32.6 million income for fiscal year 2007 to a Ps. 17.7 million loss in fiscal year 2008, to a large extent due to an increase in costs, in selling expenses and in administrative expenses and to a reduction in income from retained interest in securitized receivables concerning Tarjeta Shopping trusts, partially offset by an increase in revenues.

When measured as a percentage of revenues for the segment, Operating income for the Consumer financing segment decreased from 15.3% for fiscal year 2007 to (6.1)% during fiscal year 2008.

Financial operations and other

Operating income in the Financial transactions and other segment remained at Ps. 0.6 million for the fiscal years 2008 and 2007.

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When measured as a percentage of revenues for the segment, Operating income for the Financial operations and other increased from 43.1% for fiscal year 2007 to 54.8% for fiscal year 2008.

Amortization of goodwill

Amortization of goodwill includes: (i) the amortization of goodwill corresponding to the following APSA subsidiaries: Shopping Alto Palermo S.A., Fibesa S.A, Tarshop, Emprendimiento Recoleta S.A. and Empalme as well as (ii) the amortization of our negative goodwill resulting from the acquisition of shares in Alto Palermo S.A. and Palermo Invest S.A. Amortization of goodwill rose by Ps. 3.1 million, from a Ps. 1.5 million loss for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 1.6 million income in fiscal year 2008.

Gain (loss) on equity investees

Gain on equity investees dropped by Ps. 53.2 million, from Ps. 40.0 million income for fiscal 2007 to a Ps. 13.2 million loss in fiscal 2008. This decrease was mainly due to a Ps. 53.8 million reduction in Banco Hipotecario's profit from Ps. 41.4 million in fiscal year 2007 to a Ps. 12.4 million loss in fiscal year 2008.

The reduction in Banco Hipotecario's revenues during fiscal year 2008 was primarily due to the losses incurred in fiscal year 2008, caused mainly by a decrease in the valuation of its long-term portfolio of Government securities.

Financial results, net

Financial results, net decreased by Ps. 80.8 million, from Ps. 4.1 million income for fiscal year 2007 to a Ps. 76.7 million loss in fiscal year 2008. The main reasons for this loss were: (i) a Ps. 88.1 million decrease in results from financial operations, primarily due to a Ps. 85.2 million decrease in the fair value of our holdings of mutual funds; (ii) Ps. 33.5 million increase resulting from higher financing expenses, primarily due to the increase in interest charges paid as a consequence of the issuance of notes by us and APSA during this fiscal year, partially offset by (iii) a decrease in the interest paid due to the redemption in October 2007 of our floating rate secured notes in the amount of US\$ 37.4 million, (iv) and the repayment of an unsecured loan for US\$ 51 million. These reductions were partially offset by (i) foreign exchange gains in the amount of Ps. 26.3 million compared to fiscal year 2007, as a consequence of a variation in the US Dollar selling exchange rate during the fiscal year under analysis (it decreased from Argentine Pesos 3.093 as of June 30, 2007 to 3.025 as of June 30, 2008), in contrast to the situation in the same period of the previous year when the Argentine Peso/US Dollar exchange rate had increased significantly (from Argentine Pesos 3.086 as of June 30, 2006 to 3.093 as of June 30, 2007); and (ii) a Ps. 20.0 million increase due to the interest earned during fiscal year 2008 compared to fiscal year 2007, basically as a consequence of holdings of investments and other interest earned by APSA.

Other expenses, net

The line Other expenses, net, decreased by 60.0% from net expenses for Ps. 14.1 million in fiscal year 2007 to net expenses for Ps. 5.6 million in fiscal year 2008, primarily due to (i) the reversal of a provision for contingencies in the amount of Ps. 5.6 million; and (ii) a decrease in charges for personal property tax in the amount of Ps. 1.2 million which, according to Argentine rules and regulations, we must realize on behalf of our shareholders.

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Income before taxes and minority interest

Income before taxes and minority interest dropped by Ps. 66.2 million, from Ps. 227.1 million for fiscal year 2007, to income for Ps. 160.9 million in fiscal year 2008.

Income tax and MPIT

Income tax and minimum presumed income tax dropped by 10.8% down from Ps. 87.5 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 78.1 million in fiscal year 2008. We applied the deferred tax method upon calculating our income tax for the two fiscal years, thus recognizing the temporary differences in our accounts and in tax assets and liabilities.

Minority interest

This item includes our proportional equity interest in the subsidiaries in which we own a minority interest. The loss resulting from third-party interests in such subsidiaries dropped by 14%, from a Ps. 32.4 million loss for fiscal year 2007 to a Ps. 27.9 million loss for fiscal year 2008, mainly due to the increase in the statement of income accounts of the companies in which we have a minority interest and to the acquisition of the remaining 33.33% shareholding in Palermo Invest S.A., having eliminated the effect of the minority interest in said company during this fiscal year.

Net income

Therefore, net income decreased by Ps. 52.2 million down from Ps. 107.1 million for fiscal year 2007 to Ps. 54.9 million in fiscal year 2008.

Banco Hipotecario s Results of Operations

Overview

We do not consolidate the consolidated financial statements of our investee Banco Hipotecario. However, according to Rule 3-09 of Regulation S-X, we are required to file separate financial statements of significant investees. This Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations should be read together with Banco Hipotecario s consolidated financial statements contained elsewhere in this annual report. This discussion contains forward-looking statements that involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. These forward-looking statements include, among others, those statements including the words expects, anticipates, intends, believes and similar language. The actual results may differ materially and adversely from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of many factors, including those set forth elsewhere in this annual report.

Banco Hipotecario maintains its financial books and records in Pesos and prepares its financial statements in conformity with the polices of the Argentine Central Bank which prescribes the reporting and disclosure requirements for banks and financial institutions in Argentina (Central Bank accounting rules). These rules differ in certain respects from generally accepted accounting principles in Argentina (Argentine GAAP). A description of significant differences between Central Bank accounting rules and Argentine GAAP are set forth in Note 6 to Banco Hipotecario s consolidated financial statements. Central Bank accounting rules and Argentine GAAP also differ in certain significant respects from U.S. GAAP. Such differences involve methods of measuring the amounts shown in the consolidated financial statements, as well as additional disclosures required by U.S. GAAP and regulations of the SEC. See Note 34 to the consolidated financial statements of Banco Hipotecario included elsewhere in this annual report for a description of the principal differences between Central Bank accounting rules and U.S. GAAP, as they relate to Banco Hipotecario, and a reconciliation to U.S. GAAP of Banco Hipotecario s net income (loss) and shareholders equity.

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Events in Argentina and Their Adverse Impact on Banco Hipotecario

Banco Hipotecario's business and results of operations are dependent on, and significantly impacted by, the macroeconomic situation prevailing in Argentina. As such, its business and results of operations were materially and adversely affected by the Argentine economic crisis which began in 2001 and prevailed throughout most of 2002. Since 2003, the Argentine economy has shown signs of recovery compared to 2001 and 2002 and GDP has grown in each of 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007. In addition, interest rates have fallen and the foreign exchange market has stabilized. The financial system has gradually recovered its liquidity levels, recording a significant increase in deposits and the level of loan originations began to grow, especially in 2005 and 2006. Based on current data, the Argentine economy during 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007, GDP increased by 9.0%, 9.0%, 8.5% and 8.7% according to INDEC estimates. Based on INDEC estimates, in US dollar terms GDP increased from US\$69.8 billion in 2002 to US\$257.8 billion in 2007, and unemployment decreased to 7.5% as of the fourth quarter of 2007. As of December 31, 2007, approximately 20% of the population was below the poverty line according to INDEC. In 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 Argentina posted a fiscal surplus of approximately Ps.11,657.8 million and 19,661.0 million, Ps.23,158.0 million and Ps.25,718 million respectively. After the settlement of its exchange offer, Argentina's sovereign debt outstanding amounted to US\$149,847.4 million, representing approximately 57.8% of the GDP estimated for the year ending December 31, 2007.

During 2006 and 2007 inflation was 7.1% and 14.6% as measured by the WPI, and 9.8%, and 8.5% as measured by the CPI. The preceding information is based on data published by the Ministry of Economy and the Central Bank.

Over the last months of 2008, the financial markets in the most important countries in the world have been affected by volatility, lack of liquidity and credit, which entailed a significant drop in the international stock indexes, and an economic slow-down started to become evident worldwide. This situation is gradually reverting during 2009.

As regards Argentina, and after June 30, 2008 stock markets reflected significant drops in the prices of government and corporate securities, as well as an increase in interest rates, country risk and exchange rates. In particular, the securities issued by National Government are showing a significant recovery in value during 2009.

The Bank's management is permanently evaluating and monitoring the effects derived from the above situation in order to implement the necessary measures to mitigate its effect. This information must be analyzed taking into consideration the scenario described above.

Critical Accounting Policies

Banco Hipotecario believes that the following are the critical accounting policies under Argentine Banking GAAP and U.S. GAAP, as they are important to the portrayal of its financial condition and results of operations and require its most difficult, subjective and complex judgment and the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain.

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Reserve for loan losses

Banco Hipotecario reserve for loan losses are maintained in accordance with Argentine Banking GAAP. Under such regulations, a minimum reserve for loan losses is calculated primarily based upon the classification of Banco Hipotecario's commercial loan borrowers and the past due status of Banco Hipotecario's individual loan borrowers. Although Banco Hipotecario are required to follow the methodology and guidelines for determining its reserve for loan loss as set forth by the Central Bank, are allowed to provide additional allowances for loan loss reserves.

Banco Hipotecario classify individual loans based upon their past due status consistent with the requirements of the Central Bank. Minimum loss percentages required by the Central Bank are also applied to the totals in each loan classification. Balances of loans and reserves are charged-off and reflected on its balance sheets three months from the date on which the loans were fully covered by its loan loss reserves.

For commercial loans, Banco Hipotecario required to classify all of Banco Hipotecario's commercial loan borrowers. In order to perform the classification, Banco Hipotecario must consider the management and operating history of the borrower, the present and projected financial situation of the borrower, the borrower's payment history and ability to service the debt, the capability of the borrower's internal information and control systems and the risk in the sector in which the borrower operates. Banco Hipotecario applies the minimum loss percentages required by the Central Bank to Banco Hipotecario's commercial loan borrowers based on the loan classification and the nature of the collateral, or guarantees, of the loan. In addition, based on the overall risk of the portfolio, Banco Hipotecario considers whether or not additional loan loss reserves in excess of the minimum required are warranted.

Under U.S. GAAP, Banco Hipotecario considers loans to be impaired when it is probable that all amounts of principal and interest will not be collected according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. The allowance for significant impaired loans are assessed based on the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the current effective loan rate or the fair value of the collateral in the case where the loan is considered collateral-dependent. An allowance for impaired loans is provided when discounted future cash flows or collateral fair value is lower than book value.

In addition, if necessary, a specific allowance for loan losses is established for individual loans, based on regular reviews of individual loans, recent loss experience, credit scores, the risk characteristics of the various classifications of loans and other factors directly influencing the potential collectibility and affecting the quality of the loan portfolio.

To calculate the allowance required for smaller-balance impaired loans and unimpaired loans, historical loss ratios are determined by analyzing historical losses. Loss estimates are analyzed by loan type and thus for homogeneous groups of clients. Such historical ratios are updated to incorporate the most recent data reflecting current economic conditions, industry performance trends, geographic or obligor concentrations within each portfolio segment, and any other pertinent information that may affect the estimation of the allowance for loan losses.

For consumer loan portfolio, Banco Hipotecario includes mortgage loans; personal loans and credit cards loans. According to the evaluation of risk loan portfolio, Banco Hipotecario has not identified a higher risk portfolio due to mainly the fall in the stocks of unsecured consumer loans occurred during 2009 and the sufficiency of the reserves for loan losses related to the portfolios mentioned above. As of June 30, 2009 the balances of personal and credit cards loans amounted Ps. 1,460.3 million and the reserves for loan losses amounted Ps. 94.8 million.

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Many factors can affect Banco Hipotecario's estimates of allowance for loan losses, including volatility of default probability, migrations and estimated loss severity.

Fair Value Estimates

Banco Hipotecario prepares its financial statements in accordance with the rules of the Central Bank related thereto, which differ from US GAAP in valuing financial instruments. US GAAP requires financial instruments to be valued at fair value.

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS 157, which is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007 and interim periods within these fiscal years, with early adoption permitted. SFAS 157:

Defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, and establishes a framework for measuring fair value;

Establishes a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date;

Nullifies the guidance in EITF 02-3, which required the deferral of profit at inception of a transaction involving a derivative financial instrument in the absence of observable data supporting the valuation technique;

Eliminates large position discounts for financial instruments quoted in active markets and requires consideration of Banco Hipotecario's creditworthiness when valuing liabilities; and

Expands disclosures about instruments measured at fair value.

SFAS 159 provides an option to elect fair value as an alternative measurement for selected financial assets, financial liabilities, unrecognized firm commitments and written loan commitments not previously recorded at fair value. Under SFAS 159, fair value is used for both the initial and subsequent measurement of the designated assets, liabilities and commitments, with the changes on fair value recognized in net income. As a result of SFAS 159 analysis, Banco Hipotecario has not elected to apply fair value accounting for any of its financial instruments not previously carried at fair value.

Valuation hierarchy

SFAS 157 establishes a three-level valuation hierarchy for disclosure of fair value measurements. The valuation hierarchy is based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date. The three levels are defined as follows.

Level 1 inputs to the valuation methodology are quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2 inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

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Level 3 inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement. A financial instrument's categorization within the valuation hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for instruments measured at fair value, as well as the general classification of such instruments pursuant to the valuation hierarchy.

Determination of fair value

Following is a description of Banco Hipotecario's valuation methodologies for assets and liabilities measured at fair value.

Fair value is based upon quoted market prices, where available. If listed prices or quotes are not available, fair value is based upon internally developed models that use primarily market-based or independently-sourced market parameters, including interest rate yield curves, option volatilities and currency rates. Valuation adjustments may be made to ensure that financial instruments are recorded at fair value. These adjustments include amounts to reflect counterparty credit quality, Banco Hipotecario's creditworthiness, liquidity and unobservable parameters that are applied consistently over time.

Banco Hipotecario believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies, or assumptions, to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different estimate of fair value at the reporting date.

Government securities

Central Bank accounting rules regarding investments in government securities allow banks to classify their portfolio of government securities into two categories: held for trading and held for investment. Held for trading securities are marked to market daily with the resulting gain or loss reflected in the statements of income. Held for investment securities are recorded at cost plus accretion of discount or amortization of premiums and accrued interest or particular measurements, as applicable.

Under US GAAP compensatory and hedge bonds are valued at fair value. See Fair Value Estimates above.

Other than temporary impairment

For US GAAP purposes, Government Bonds including Boden 2012, BOGAR and Discount Bonds are classified by Banco Hipotecario, as available for sale securities and recorded at fair value with the unrealized gains or losses recognized as a charge or credit to equity through other comprehensive income.

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Banco Hipotecario has evaluated whether there was a decline in the value of the security that is other-than temporary as defined by SFAS N°115 and SAB 59 FASB Codification 320-10 Overall. As of June 30, 2009 the amortized cost of some securities are greater than its fair value. A number of factors are considered in performing an impairment analysis of securities. Those factors include:

Intent and ability of Banco Hipotecario to retain its investment for a period of time that allows for any anticipated recovery in market value;

Expectation to recover the entire amortized cost of the security;

Recoveries in fair value after the balance sheet date;

the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, including any specific events which may influence the operations of the issuer (such as changes in technology that may impair the earnings potential of the investment, or the discontinuance of a segment of a business that may affect the future earnings potential).

Banco Hipotecario also takes into account the length of time and the extent to which the market value of the security has been less than cost and changes in global and regional economic conditions and changes related to specific issuers or industries that could adversely affect these values. See the analysis performed by Banco Hipotecario in each security in the accompanying Financial Statements of Banco Hipotecario as of June 30, 2009.

Deferred tax assets and Minimum Presumed Income Tax

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded for the estimated future tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities recorded for accounting and tax reporting purposes and for the future tax effects of net operating loss carryforwards. We had a significant amount of deferred tax assets and minimum presumed income taxes as of June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007. Recognition of those deferred tax assets is subject to management's judgment based on available evidence that realization is more likely than not and they are reduced, if necessary, by a valuation reserve. Management's judgment on the likelihood that deferred tax assets can be realized is subjective and involves estimates and assumptions about matters that are inherently uncertain.

This judgment involves estimating future taxable income and the timing at which the temporary differences between book and taxable income will be reversed. Underlying estimates and assumptions can change over time, influencing our overall tax positions, as a result of unanticipated events or circumstances.

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The following table sets forth the principal components of its net income for the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008.

	Period ended June 30,		% Change	
	2009	2008	2009/2008	
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)			
Financial income	Ps. 1016.2	Ps. 696.6		45.9
Financial expenses	(615.3)	(550.7)		11.7
Net financial income	400.9	145.9		174.7
Provision for loan losses	(209.8)	(149.9)		40.0
Net contribution from insurance ⁽¹⁾	97.4	90.0		8.2
Other income from services	280.9	191.5		46.7
Other expenses on services	(116.7)	(92.1)		26.8
Administrative expenses	(456.3)	(388.5)		17.5
Net income from financial operations	(3.7)	(202.9)		(98.2)
Miscellaneous income, net ⁽²⁾	69.2	152.7		(54.7)
Minority interest	(3.5)	(5.6)		(36.6)
Income tax	(11.5)	(3.7)		208.3
Net income	Ps. 50.5	Ps. (59.6)		(184.7)

(1) Insurance premiums minus insurance claims paid.

(2) Miscellaneous income minus miscellaneous expenses.

Net Income

Banco Hipotecario's net income for the period ended June 30, 2009 of Ps. 50.5 million was higher than Ps (59.6) for the period ended June 30, 2008, principally due to:

Higher financial income principally as a result of higher income from government and corporate securities and the increase of consumer products.

Higher net contributions from insurance as a result of an expansion on insurance products offered.

Higher income from services as a result of higher bank activity

These factors were partially offset by:

Higher financial expenditures principally as a result of higher interest liabilities resulting from increased average balances on time deposits.

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Higher administrative expenses mainly related to social security contributions, and fees related to actions adopted by Banco Hipotecario in developing its retail banking business.

Higher expenses on services mainly to commissions related to Visa Credit Cards.

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The following table sets forth the principal components of its financial income for the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008.

	Periods ended June 30,		% Change
	2009	2008	2009/2008
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Mortgage loans and other financial transactions	246.2	229.0	7.5
Compensatory and other BODEN	3.2	7.5	(57.4)
Buyback of restructured debt	30.9	31.3	(1.4)
Government and Private Securities	266.7	143.9	85.4
Effects of changes in exchange rates	(4.7)	61.7	(107.7)
Government guaranteed loans	6.3	11.2	(43.8)
Mortgage-backed securities	27.6	28.3	(2.6)
Cash and due from banks	2.2	5.7	(60.8)
Interbank loans	3.0	8.0	(62.1)
Other Loans	63.9	20.2	215.6
Credit cards Loans	204.7	91.4	123.8
Personal Loans	132.8	149.4	(11.1)
Advance Loans	46.8	34.8	34.5
Hedges	(24.5)	(137.6)	(82.2)
Others	10.9	11.5	(5.5)
Total Financial Income	1016.2	696.6	45.9

Banco Hipotecario's financial income increase 45.9 % to Ps.1.016,2 million for the period ended June 30, 2009 as compared to Ps.696,6 million for the period ended June 30, 2008 primarily as a result of:

Higher income from the accrued of internal rate of return of some government securities and trading incomes as a result of increase of market prices in the first semester of 2009;

Higher income from credit cards loans and new consumer product as a result of a significant increase in the volume of such loans granted during this year.

These factors were partially offset by:

Lower income as a result of effects of changes in exchange rates.

Financial Expenses

The following table sets forth information regarding Banco Hipotecario's financial expenses for the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008.

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	Periods ended June 30,		% Change
	2009	2008	2009/2008
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Bonds and similar obligations	218.8	387.1	(43.5)
Borrowings from banks	(0.3)	8.0	(103.5)
Borrowings from Central Bank	18.9	20.3	(6.7)
Other ⁽¹⁾	1.4	1.5	(4.9)
Time deposits	334.7	111.0	201.5
Contributions and taxes on financial income	41.7	22.8	83.3
Total Financial expenses	615.3	550.7	11.7

(1) Includes interest and other amounts payable on savings accounts, checking accounts, and other deposits. Banco Hipotecario's financial expenses for the period ended June 30, 2009 increased 11.7.% to Ps.615,3 million from Ps. 550.7 million for the period ended June 30, 2008 primarily as a result of:

Higher interest liabilities as a result of increased average balances on time deposits

Higher interest liabilities resulting from increased of contributions and taxes on financial income.
This effect was partially offset by:

Lower financial expenditures as a result of the reduction of others banks borrowings.

Lower interest liabilities because the bank repurchased part of its debt during this year.

Provision for Loan Losses

The following table sets forth its provision for loan losses for the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008.

	Periods ended June 30,		% Change
	2009	2008	2009/2008
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Provision for loan losses	Ps. 209.8	Ps. 149.9	40.0
Charge-offs	Ps. 188.6	Ps. 71.4	164.2

Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s provision for loan losses for the period ended June 30, 2009 increased to Ps.209.8, million from Ps.149.9 million in the period ended on June 30, 2008 in connection with the increase in the delinquency of personal loans and credit cards.

The Risk and Credit Committee decided to maintain a maximum 100% coverage of the loan loss reserve, relative to the total amount of those loans classified as non-performing, Reserves and funds created by Risk and Credit Committee dated June 2, 2008, (Ex - Section 13 of Law 24,143) and the Special fund created by a resolution of the board of Directors of Banco Hipotecario dated December 12, 2001, shall not be included in the total amount used for calculating such coverage.

Table of Contents***Net Contribution from Insurance***

The following table sets forth the principal components of Banco Hipotecario net contribution from insurance for the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008.

	Periods ended June 30		% Change
	2009	2008	2009/2008
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Insurance premiums earned			
Life	67.4	73.7	(8.6)
Property damage	14.1	11.0	29.0
Unemployment	0.9	0.9	(7.3)
Others	25.6	12.3	107.8
Total Premiums earned	107.9	97.9	10.3
Insurance claims paid			
Life	8.3	5.8	42.6
Property damage	0.3	0.2	33.6
Unemployment	0.1	0.1	(14.1)
Others	1.9	1.8	6.0
Total claims paid	10.5	7.9	33.6
Net contribution from insurance	97.4	90.0	8.2

Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s net contribution from insurance activities of Ps. 97.4 million during the period ended June 30, 2009 increased 8.2 % from Ps.90.0 million, compared to the period ended June 30, 2008. This increase was primarily a consequence of higher premiums resulted from a rise in new loan origination and an expansion of insurance products offered.

Other Income from Services

The following table includes the principal components of its other income from services for the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008.

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	Periods ended June 30,		% Change
	2009	2008	2009/2008
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Loan servicing fees from third parties	9.3	2.6	258.4
FONAVI commissions	7.1	5.7	25.3
Credit Card Commissions	150.3	104.6	43.7
Other Commissions	1.8	18.2	(90.0)
Total Commissions	168.6	131.1	28.6
Saving accounts commissions	42.2	20.1	110.4
Reimbursement of loan expenses paid by third parties	65.5	33.2	97.3
Others	4.6	7.2	(36.1)
Total Others	112.3	60.5	85.8
Total Income from Services	280.9	191.5	46.7

Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s income from services increased to Ps. 280.9 million for the period ended June 30, 2009 from Ps 191.5 million in the same period of 2008, as a result of higher commissions derived from credit cards and saving accounts and reimbursement of loan expenses paid by third parties.

Other Expenses on Services

The following table includes the principal components of its other expenses on services for the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008:

	Periods ended June 30,		% Change
	2009	2008	2009/2008
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Structuring and underwriting fees	6.4	8.2	(22.6)
Commission on third party originations	0.0	0.1	(21.2)
Collections	0.3	0.4	(18.1)
Banking services	14.9	6.0	148.4
Commissions On Visa	53.6	47.3	13.3
Commissions IFC - BACS	19.2	6.9	180.2
Commissions On Saving Accounts	3.8	2.9	32.1
Commissions On Scoring	6.8	12.4	(45.1)
Commissions paid to real estate agents	0.5	1.7	(67.0)
Total	105.6	85.7	23.2
Contributions and taxes on income from services	11.1	6.4	75.0
Total Other expenses on services	116.7	92.1	26.8

Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s other expenses on services increased 26.8 % to Ps. 116.7 million for the period ended June 30, 2009 from Ps. 92.1 million in the period ended June 30, 2008. This increase was mainly to commissions recorded in other expenditures on services related to the VISA credit card, banking services and contributions and taxes on income from services.

Table of Contents**Administrative Expenses**

The following table sets forth the principal components of its administrative expenses for the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008.

	Periods ended June 30,		% Change
	2009	2008	2009/2008
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Salaries and social security contributions	222.6	160.6	38.6
Fees and external administrative services	86.2	80.3	7.3
Advertising and publicity	7.9	16.4	(51.8)
Nonrecoverable VAT and other taxes	19.8	21.8	(9.2)
Electricity and communications	18.8	16.6	13.3
Maintenance and repair	9.7	7.6	27.5
Depreciation of bank premises and equipment	14.4	11.5	24.9
Amortization of organizational expenses	12.1	7.3	66.3
Corporate personnel benefits	22.0	31.9	(31.0)
Rent	14.2	11.5	23.6
Others	28.7	23.1	24.4
Total	456.3	388.5	17.7

Administrative expenses for the period ended June 30, 2009 increased 17.7 % to Ps. 456.3 million from Ps. 388.5 million for the period ended June 30, 2008. The main reasons for this increase were higher salaries and social security contributions required under applicable regulations in Argentina.

Miscellaneous Income

The following table sets forth its miscellaneous income for the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008.

	Periods ended June 30,		% Change
	2009	2008	2009/2008
	(in millions of pesos as, except for percentages)		
Penalty interest	11.3	6.7	67.0
Reversal of provision for contingencies	10.9	11.6	(6.3)
Reversal of provision for STAR	6.8	21.4	(68.3)
Reversal of provision for Lawsuit	18.5	14.7	25.7
Reversal of Insurance Reserve	10.7		NM
Loan loss recoveries	78.7	106.3	(25.9)
Others	37.5	23.3	60.8
Total Miscellaneous Income	174.4	184.1	(5.3)

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Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s miscellaneous income decreased 5.3 % to Ps. 174.4 million for the period ended June 30, 2009 from Ps.184.1 million for the year ended June 30, 2008 primarily as a result of:

Reversion of insurance technical reserves as a consequence of charges in certain regulations of the National Insurance Superintendency;

Decrease of loan recoveries previously charged off;

Reversion of the Stock Appreciation Rights (STAR) reserve as result of the decrease on the average share price.

Miscellaneous Expenses

The following table sets forth the principal components of its miscellaneous expenses for the periods ended June 30, 2009 and 2008:

	Periods ended June 30, 2009	2008	% Change 2009/2008
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Provision for lawsuits contingencies	20.2		NM
Provision for other contingencies and miscellaneous receivables	8.7		NM
Provision for administrative organization	13.8	14.6	(5.1)
Bogar valuation adjustment	20.1		NM
Other taxes	12.5	7.6	64.8
Directors and syndics accrued fees	4.6	5.6	(17.4)
Benefits prepayments	9.5		NM
Others	15.8	3.7	328.4
Total Miscellaneous Expenses	105.2	31.4	234.6

Banco Hipotecario's miscellaneous expenses increased 234.6% to Ps. 105.2 million for the period ended June 30, 2009 from Ps. 31.4 million for 2008 primarily as a result of:

- a) higher provisions for lawsuits contingencies according with the opinion of the legal counsels;
- b) the adjustment of the valuation of Bogar Bonds as a consequence of the refusal from the Argentine Central Bank to deposit such bonds as collateral for the subscription of hedge bonds.

Table of Contents*Twelve month periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007**General*

The following table sets forth the principal components of its net income for the periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007.

	Period ended June 30,		% Change
	2008	2007	2008/2007
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Financial income	Ps. 696.6	Ps. 882.2	(21.0)
Financial expenses	(550.7)	(374.7)	47.0
Net financial income	145.9	507.6	(71.3)
Provision for losses on loans	(149.9)	(43.7)	243.1
Net contribution from insurance ⁽¹⁾	90.0	69.8	28.9
Other income from services	191.5	83.4	129.6
Other expenses on services	(92.1)	(67.8)	35.7
Administrative expenses	(388.5)	(270.8)	41.3
Net income from financial operations	(202.9)	278.4	(172.9)
Miscellaneous income, net ⁽²⁾	152.7	81.4	87.6
Minority interest	(5.6)	(0.9)	512.3
Income tax	(3.7)	(1.0)	270.8
Net income	Ps. (59.6)	Ps. 357.9	(116.6)

(1) Insurance premiums minus insurance claims paid.

(2) Miscellaneous income minus miscellaneous expenses.

Net Income

Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s net income for the period ended June 30, 2008 of Ps. (59.6) million was lower than Ps 357.9 for the period ended June 30, 2007, principally due to:

Lower financial income principally as a result of lower income from government and private securities and hedging transactions, and the increase of new consumer products;

Higher financial expenditures principally as a result of higher interest liabilities resulting from increased average balances on saving accounts and time deposits and the increased of interest rate on bonds and similar obligations;

Higher administrative expenses mainly related to social security contributions, and fees related to actions adopted by the Banco Hipotecario in developing its retail banking business;

Higher expenses on services mainly to commissions related to Visa Credit Cards, scoring and origination of personal loans and higher structuring and underwriting expenses.

These factors were partially offset by:

Higher net contributions from insurance as a result of an increase in new loan origination and an expansion on insurance products offered;

Higher income from services as a result of higher bank activity.

Table of Contents*Financial Income*

The following table sets forth the principal components of its financial income for the periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007.

	Periods ended June 30,				% Change
	2008	2007			2008/2007
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)				
Mortgage loans and other financial transactions	Ps. 229.0	Ps. 177.7			28.9
Government guaranteed loans	11.2	22.3			(49.5)
Government and Private Securities	143.9	275.3			(47.7)
Compensatory and other BODEN	7.5	9.6			(22.2)
Buyback of restructured debt	31.3	12.9			142.4
Hedges	(137.6)	140.8			(197.7)
Mortgage-backed securities	28.3	51.3			(44.8)
Other loans	20.2	18.4			9.9
Credit Cards loans	91.4	32.5			181.1
Personal loans	149.4	82.1			81.9
Advance loans	34.8	24.3			43.1
Effects of changes in exchange rates	61.7	19.3			220.1
Cash and due from banks	5.7	4.4			30.0
Interbank Loans	8.0	5.2			53.5
Others	11.5	6.0			91.6
Total	Ps. 696.6	Ps. 882.2			(21)

Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s financial income decrease 21 % to Ps. 696.6 million for the period ended June 30, 2008 as compared to Ps.882.2 million for the period ended June 30, 2007 primarily as a result of:

Lower income from some government and private securities as a result of lower market prices.

Lower income from derivative operations resulting from hedging transactions including its total return swap. These factors were partially offset by:

Higher income from credit cards, personal loans and new consumer products as a result of a significant increase in the volume of such loans granted during this year.

Higher income from the repurchase of restructured financial debts at market prices.

Table of Contents**Financial Expenses**

The following table sets forth information regarding its financial expenses for the periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007.

	Periods ended June 30,		% Change 2008/2007
	2008	2007	
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Bonds and similar obligations	Ps. 387.1	Ps. 278.6	38.9
Borrowings from Central Bank	20.3	20.1	0.9
Borrowings from banks	8.0	16.2	(50.4)
Time deposits	111.0	36.5	203.8
Other ⁽¹⁾	1.5	3.5	(57.1)
Contributions and taxes on financial income	22.8	19.7	15.6
Total	Ps. 550.7	Ps. 374.7	47.0

(1) Includes interest and other amounts payable on savings accounts, checking accounts, and other deposits.

Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s financial expenses for the period ended June 30, 2008 increased 47.% to Ps.550.7 million from Ps. 374.7 million for the period ended June 30, 2007 primarily as a result of:

Higher interest liabilities resulting from increased average balances on savings accounts and time deposits, related to the growth of private sector;

Higher interest liabilities as a result of the increased interest in bonds and similar obligations.
This effect was partially offset by:

Lower financial expenditures as a result of the reduction of others banks borrowings.

Provision for Losses on Loans

The following table sets forth its provision for loan losses for the periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007.

	Periods ended June 30,		% Change 2008/2007
	2008	2007	
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Provision for loan losses	Ps. 149.9	Ps. 43.7	243.1
Charge-offs	Ps. 71.4	Ps. 52.5	36.0

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Banco Hipotecario's provision for loan losses for the period ended June 30, 2008 increased to Ps. 149.9 million from Ps. 43.7 million in the period ended on June 30, 2007 in connection with the significant increase in the volume of the loans granted during 2007.

The Risk and Credit Committee decided to maintain a maximum 100% coverage of the loan loss reserve, relative to the total amount of those loans classified as non-performing, Reserves and funds created by Risk and Credit Committee dated June 2, 2008, (Ex - Section 13 of Law 24,143) and the Special fund created by a resolution of the board of Directors of the Banco Hipotecario dated December 12, 2001, shall not be included in the total amount used for calculating such coverage.

Net Contribution from Insurance

The following table sets forth the principal components of its net contribution from insurance for the periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007.

	Periods ended June 30		% Change
	2008	2007	2008/2007
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Insurance premiums earned:			
Life	Ps. 3.7	Ps. 60.0	22.8
Property damage	11.0	12.1	(9.3)
Unemployment	0.9	1.2	(23.7)
Other	12.3	3.7	232.4
Total premiums earned	97.9	Ps. 77.0	27.1
Insurance claims paid:			
Life	5.8	6.1	(0.05)
Property damage	0.2	0.3	(34.5)
Unemployment	0.1	0.2	(61.8)
Other	1.8	0.5	260
Total claims paid	7.9	Ps. 7.2	9.7
Net contribution from insurance	Ps. 90.0	Ps. 69.8	28.9

Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s net contribution from insurance activities of Ps. 90.0 million during the period ended June 30, 2008 increased 28.9 % from Ps.69.8 million, compared to the period ended June 30, 2007. This increase was primarily a consequence of higher premiums resulted from an increase in new loan origination and an expansion of insurance products offered.

Other Income from Services

The following table includes the principal components of its other income from services for the periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007.

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	Periods ended June 30,		% Change 2008/2007
	2008	2007	
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Loan servicing fees from third parties	Ps. 2.6	Ps. 1.8	42.0
FONAVI commissions	5.7	4.1	38.5
Other Commissions	2.6	1.5	73.3
Credit Card Commissions	104.6	47.9	118.4
Saving accounts commissions	9.5	5.5	72.9
Current accounts commissions	6.1	3.2	90.8
BHN Inversión commissions	20.1		NM
Total commissions	151.1	64.0	136.0
Recovery of loan expenses	33.2	13.0	155.5
Other	7.2	6.3	14.3
Total	Ps. 191.5	Ps. 83.4	129.6

Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s income from services increased to Ps. 191.5 million for the period ended June 30, 2008 from Ps 83.4 million in the same period of 2007, as a result of higher commissions derived from credit cards, origination of mortgage loans and new consumer products and the commissions derived from the insurance activities developed since July 2008 by Banco Hipotecario's subsidiary BHN Inversión.

Other Expenses on Services

The following table includes the principal components of its other expenses on services for the periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007:

	Periods ended June 30,		% Change 2008/2007
	2008	2007	
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Structuring and underwriting fees	Ps. 8.2	Ps. 9.5	(14.0)
Banking services	6.0	4.3	41.2
Commissions on third party originations	0.1	0.1	(50.5)
Collections	0.4	0.4	(15.7)
Commissions IFC Bacs	6.9	1.6	337.1
Commissions on Visa	47.3	38.1	24.2
Commissions on saving accounts	2.9	2.4	19.2
Commissions on scoring	12.4	6.6	87.3
Commissions paid to real estate agents	1.7	1.6	1.5
Total	85.7	64.7	32.6
Contributions and taxes on income from services	6.4	3.2	99.9
Total	Ps. 92.1	Ps. 67.8	35.7

Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s other expenses on services increased 35.7 % to Ps. 92.1 million for the period ended June 30, 2008 from Ps. 67.8 million in the period ended June 30, 2007. This increase was mainly due to commissions recorded in other expenditures on services related to the VISA credit card and scoring, in connection with the higher number of credit cards managed.

Table of Contents**Administrative Expenses**

The following table sets forth the principal components of its administrative expenses for the periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007.

	Periods ended June 30,		% Change
	2008	2007	2008/2007
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Salaries and social security contributions	Ps. 160.6	Ps. 111.4	44.2
Fees and external administrative services	80.3	55.3	45.2
Maintenance and repair	7.6	4.9	53.4
Advertising and publicity	16.4	20.9	(21.8)
Nonrecoverable VAT and other taxes	21.8	17.0	28.1
Electricity and communications	16.6	10.9	52.4
Depreciation of bank premises and equipment	11.5	6.7	71.9
Amortization of organizational expenses	7.3	3.0	144.8
Corporate personnel benefits	31.9	20.6	54.6
Rent	11.5	4.8	
Other	23.1	15.3	50.5
Total	Ps. 388.5	Ps. 270.8	43.5

Administrative expenses for the period ended June 30, 2008 increased 43.5 % to Ps. 388.5 million from Ps. 270.8 million for the period ended June 30, 2007. The main reasons for this increase were higher salaries and social security contributions required under applicable regulations in Argentina, higher advertising expenses related to the launch of its new products and an increase in other fees related to the actions adopted by the Banco Hipotecario in developing its retail banking business.

Miscellaneous Income

The following table sets forth its miscellaneous income for the periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007.

	Periods ended June 30,		% Change
	2008	2007	2008/2007
	(in millions of pesos as, except for percentages)		
Penalty interest	Ps. 6.7	6.4	4.8
Loan loss recoveries	106.3	207.2	(48.7)
Reversal of provision for lawsuit	14.7		NM
Reversal of provision for STAR	21.4		NM
Reversal of provision for contingencies	11.6	13.5	(14.3)
Other	23.3	4.6	402.8
Total	Ps. 184.1	Ps. 231.8	(20.6)

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Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s miscellaneous income decreased 20.6 % to Ps. 184.1 million for the period ended June 30, 2008 from Ps.231.8 million for the year ended June 30, 2007 primarily as a result of the two sales of a portion of non performing portfolio recorded in memorandum accounts for approximately Ps. 120 million during the period ended June 30, 2007.

Miscellaneous Expenses

The following table sets forth the principal components of its miscellaneous expenses for the periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007:

	Periods ended June 30,		% Change
	2008	2007	2008/2007
	(in millions of pesos, except for percentages)		
Provision for lawsuit contingencies		Ps. 14.6	NM
Provision for miscellaneous receivables and others			NM
Provision StAR granted creditors under guaranteed debt		35.1	NM
Provision SAR		39.4	NM
Provision for insurance contingences	0.4	3.0	(85.6)
Provision for administrative organization	13.6	34.9	
Bogar and Guarantee loans adjustment		20.8	NM
Ajuste honorarios direct y síndicos - Acta 23/07	5.7		
Other taxes	7.6	9.1	(16.5)
Contingency related to the sale of non-performing mortgage portfolio	1.0	8.0	(87.5)
Other	3.3	6.3	(152.4)
Total	Ps. 31.6	Ps. 150.4	(79.0)

Banco Hipotecario S.A.'s miscellaneous expenses decreased 79.0 % to Ps. 31.6 million for the period ended June 30, 2008 from Ps. 150.4 million for 2007 primarily as a result of lower provisions for the appreciation in the trading price of its Class D shares, which is designed to account for the higher value attributable to the stock appreciation rights issued with and attached to its Medium Term Guaranteed Debt due 2010 and its management compensation plan and for Stock Appreciation Compensation plan, Lawsuits contingences, administrative organization and for the sale of a portion of its non performing portfolio.

Liquidity

Banco Hipotecario's general policy has been to maintain adequate liquidity to meet its operational needs and financial obligations. At June 30, 2009, its liquid assets consisted of:

Ps.266.1 million of cash and receivables due from banks;

Ps.1320.2 million of Argentine government debt classified as held

Ps. 162.9 for trading, and

Ps.961.8 million of Argentine Central Bank Bills.

At June 30, 2008, its liquid assets consisted of:

Ps.248.8 million of cash and due from banks;

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Ps.979.8 million of Argentine government classified as held

Ps. 111.8 for trading; and

Ps. 398.9 million of Argentine Central Bank Bills.

Cash Flows from Operating Activities. The changes in cash flows from operating activities were principally due to the change in:

(I) Provision for losses on loans and for contingencies and miscellaneous receivables, net of reversals,

(II) Net (gain) loss on government securities,

(III) Net indexing of loans, deposits and other debt, and

(IV) Net change in other assets and liabilities.

Cash Flows from Investing Activities. The changes in cash flow from investing activities were due to subscription of Argentine Government Hedge BODENs.

Cash Flows from Financing Activities. The changes in cash flows from financing activities were principally due to the issuance of notes Series IV partially offset by payments on Central Bank debt, Bonds, Notes and Long Term debts, as a result of the changes in its restructuring financial debt in 2004 and 2003.

Funding

Historically, Banco Hipotecario S.A. financed its lending operations mainly through:

the issuance of fixed and floating rate securities in the international capital markets;

other financing arrangements with international and domestic financial institutions;

securitizations of mortgage loans;

cash flow from existing loans;

deposits; and

Central Bank long term loans.

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At June 30, 2009 and 2008, Banco Hipotecario S.A. had four principal funding sources: bonds, Central Bank, other liabilities from financial institutions and deposits. The table below sets forth its liabilities outstanding with respect to each of its sources of funding as of the dates indicated.

	At June 30,		% Change
	2009	2008	2009/2008
Bonds ⁽¹⁾	Ps. 2989.2	Ps. 3210.2	(6.9)
Borrowings from Central Bank	20.7	239.1	(91.3)
Borrowings from banks and international entities	96.5	61.1	58.0
Deposits	3387.0	1911.9	77.2
Total	Ps. 6493.4	Ps. 5422.3	19.8

(1) Excludes accrued interest.

Bonds

The table below describes the principal amount of the different series of notes that Banco Hipotecario has issued and are outstanding:

	Outstanding principal amount at June 30, 2009 (millions of pesos)	Date of issue	Maturity Date	Annual Interest rate (%)
Bonds issued prior to restructuring ⁽¹⁾	Ps. 46.5			
GMTN (US\$1,200,000,000)				
Notes Issued in Restructuring:				
Long term bonds (US\$449,880,000)	446.0	Sep. 15, 2003	Dec. 1, 2013	3.0 6.0
Long term bonds (Eur 278,367,000)	808.3	Sep. 15, 2003	Dec. 1, 2013	3.0 6.0
Series 4 - 9.75% Notes due 2010 (US\$250,000,000)	516.8	Nov. 16, 2005	Nov. 16, 2010	9.75
Series 5 (US\$250,000,000)	905.6	Abr. 27, 2006	Abr. 27, 2016	9.75
Series 6 (US\$150,000,000)	266.1	June, 27, 2007	June, 21, 2010	11.25
Total	Ps. 2,989,3			

(1) Banco Hipotecario S.A. has 10 series of bonds issued prior to the restructuring that have outstanding amounts that were not tendered in the restructuring process consummated in January 2004.

On March 23, 2009, the Banco Hipotecario launched an offer to purchase in cash US dollar-denominated Negotiable Obligations due in 2010 for a principal amount of up to US\$ 85,850 thousand and Argentine Peso-Linked Notes due in 2010 for a principal amount of US\$

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53,772 thousand. The tender offer expired on April 23, 2009. As a result of this transaction, securities were bought back for US\$ 16,424 thousand and US\$ 9,690 thousand in connection with Banco Hipotecario's US dollar Negotiable Obligations and Argentine Peso-Linked Notes, respectively. The tender offer of these series of Notes resulted in a gain of Ps. 36,154.

Borrowings from Banks and International Entities

We incurred the following indebtedness, which have been already fully paid with the proceeds obtained from other financings:

Banco Hipotecario S.A. obtained a loan from Warehousing Credit Line Agreement with IFC in an aggregate principal amount of Pesos 46.3 million.

Banco Hipotecario S.A. obtained Interbank loans in pesos in an aggregate principal amount of Pesos 50.2 million

Borrowings from the Central Bank

On November 11 and December 1, 2004, Banco Hipotecario S.A. pre-paid the financial assistance loans granted by the Central Bank in amounts totaling Ps.10.0 million and Ps.30.0 million, respectively, in order to settle in advance restructured foreign debt. On January 20, 2005 and February 25, 2005, Banco Hipotecario S.A. took part in the tender offer established by the Central Bank in accordance with the guidelines of Communications A 4268 and 4282, the amount of Ps.63.8 million and Ps.16.9 million, respectively, having been accepted in settlement of the previously refinanced debt. On May 3, 2005 Banco Hipotecario S.A. fully prepaid all outstanding balances due on this indebtedness of approximately Ps.233.5 million. As of June 30, 2008, Banco Hipotecario S.A. recorded in its financial statements borrowings from the Central Bank totaling Ps. Ps.239.1 million.

On June 26, 2009 the remaining subscription of hedge bonds and of their detached coupons took place and Banco Hipotecario and BACS Banco de Crédito y Securitización S.A. subscribed an original nominal value of US\$ 72,196 thousand. As of June 30, 2009 there was no amount of hedge bond to be received pending of delivery.

Loan Securitization Program

Banco Hipotecario has executed various financial trust agreements under which, as trustor, it has transferred the fiduciary ownership of mortgage and consumer loans to the loan portfolio to different financial institutions as trustee. Once the mortgage loans have been transferred to the trust fund its proceeds to issue the corresponding debt securities and participation certificates and to use the proceeds of the placement thereof for setting the amount of the loans ceded by the Banco Hipotecario.

The trustee is responsible for the management of the trust funds previously set up in accordance with the specifications contained in the trust agreement.

In 2004, the bank created a Global Trust Program Cédulas Hipotecarias Argentinas. Under this program eight series of Argentine Mortgage Bonds Financial Funds (CHA) were created for the face value of Ps 50.0 million, Ps. 49.9 million, Ps 62.5 million, Ps 64.6 million, 62.5 million, Ps 65.0 million, Ps. 69.1 million, Ps 71.4 million and Ps 74.5 million corresponding to Series I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII and VIII respectively.

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Under BACS's Global Trust Securities Program dated April 3, 2008, Series I of the Cédulas Personales Financial Trust was issued for an amount of Ps. 59.4 million

Deposits

Banco Hipotecario S.A. did not historically rely upon deposits as a principal source of funding, Banco Hipotecario S.A. engaged in limited deposit taking activities. Its other deposits consist of checking accounts maintained by different provincial housing funds and agencies representing Argentine government contributions from the collection of federal taxes which have been set aside for use by the provinces for special purposes and transferred to these accounts.

In December 2001 Banco Hipotecario received authorization from the Central Bank to accept time deposits for individuals as well as institutions and amended its bylaws accordingly, with approval of a majority of its shareholders as required by Argentine Corporate Law. At June 30, 2009 and 2008 its total deposits consisted of the following:

	At June 30, 2009	At June 30, 2008	% Change 2009/2008
Checking accounts	Ps. 68.9	Ps. 40.3	70.9
Saving accounts	215.6	178.1	21.1
Time deposits	3019.8	1657.3	82.2
Other deposits accounts	62.7	32.4	93.6
Accrued interest payable	45.3	18.2	148.6
Total	Ps. 3412.2	Ps. 1926.3	77.1

Its current strategy is to increase deposits significantly over time in order to achieve significant liquidity to maintain and further develop its financing activities.

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In connection with its operating activities, Banco Hipotecario enters into certain contractual obligations. The following table shows the principal amounts of its contractual obligations and their contractual interest rates as of June 30, 2009:

	Maturity	Annual interest rate	Total Ps.	Past due	Less than a year	1 to 3 years	3 to 5 years	Over 5 years
Bonds								
Defaulted bonds U\$S ⁽¹⁾			26.9	26.9				
Defaulted bonds Eur ⁽¹⁾			19.6	19.6				
Serie 4	16-Nov-10	9.75%	516.8			516.8		
Serie 5	27-Abr-16	9.75%	905.6					905.6
Serie 6	21-Jun-10	11.25%	266.1		266.1			
Long term bonds U\$S	1-Dic-13	3% - 6%	446.0				446.0	
Long term bonds EURO	1-Dic-13	3% - 6%	808.3				808.3	
Loans								
Repurchase Agreement, DEPFA Bank	14-Dic-09	Libor 180d + 1,4%	150.3		150.3			
Repurchase Agreement, Barclays	14-Dic-09	Libor 180d + 1.40%	227.7		227.7			
Repurchase Agreement, Barclays	10-Ago-09	Libor 180d + 1.90%	113.9		113.9			
Repurchase Agreement, Deutsche Bank	10-Ago-09	Libor 180d + 1,03%	208.7		208.7			
Repurchase Agreement, DEPFA Bank	10-Ago-09	Libor 180d + 1,0%	75.9		75.9			
Repurchase Agreement, Macquire Bank	10-Ago-09	Libor 90d + 1,30%	39.8		39.8			
Repurchase Agreement, Macquire Bank	10-Ago-09	Libor 90d + 1,95%	51.2		51.2			
Repurchase Agreement, Merrill Lynch	2-May-10	Libor 180d + 0.55%	75.9		75.9			
Repurchase Agreement, Barclays	2-May-10	Libor 180d + 0.49%	75.9		75.9			
Repurchase Agreement, Barclays	2-May-10	Libor 180d + 0.95%	34.2		34.2			

(1) Includes debtors who did not accept the restructuring process

B. Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our principal sources of liquidity have historically been:

cash generated by operations;

cash generated by the issuance of debt securities;

cash from borrowings and financings arrangements; and

cash proceeds from the sale of real estate.

Our principal cash requirements or uses (other than in connection with our operating activities) have historically been:

capital expenditures for property, plant and equipment;

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interest payments and repayments of short-term and long-term debt;

acquisition of shares in companies;

payments of dividends; and

acquisitions or purchases of real estate.

Our liquidity and capital resources include our cash and cash equivalents, proceeds from bank borrowings and long-term debt, capital financing and sales of real estate investments.

As of June 30, 2009, we had a negative working capital of Ps.83.0 million. This amount relates mainly of APSA working capital deficit, whose treatment is being considered by the Board of Directors and the respective Management. At the same date, we had cash and cash equivalents totaling Ps.185.9 million, a decrease of 52.2% from the Ps.389.0 million of cash and cash equivalents held as of June 30, 2008.

As of June 30, 2008, we had a working capital of Ps.151.6 million and cash equivalents totaling Ps.389.0 million, a decrease of 45.1% from the Ps.708.5 million of cash and cash equivalents held as of June 30, 2007.

As of June 30, 2007, we had a working capital of Ps.523.7 million. At the same date, we had cash and cash equivalents totaling Ps.708.5 million, an increase of 332.3% from the Ps.163.9 million of cash and cash equivalents held as of June 30, 2006.

We believe our working capital (calculated by subtracting current liabilities from current assets) and our cash from operating activities are adequate for our present and future requirements. In the event that cash generated from our operations is at any time insufficient to finance our working capital, we would seek to finance such working capital needs through debt or equity financing or selective assets sales. For more information about liquidity please see Risk Factors section.

Cash Flow Information

Operating Activities

2009 Fiscal Year. Our operating activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.299.3 million for fiscal year 2009, primarily as a result of operating gains of Ps.487.7 million, an increase in inventories of Ps.74.9 million and an increase in advances from customers, salaries and social security payable and taxes payable of Ps.86.1 million. These were partially offset by an increase in accounts receivable, net of Ps.122.6 million, an increase in other receivables and prepaid expenses, net of Ps.133.7 million, a decrease in trade accounts payable of Ps.38.6 million and a decrease in other liabilities of Ps.27.5 million.

2008 Fiscal Year. Our operating activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.319.9 million for fiscal year 2008, primarily as a result of operating gains of Ps.368.7 million, a decrease in inventories of Ps. 129.7 million and an increase in trade accounts payable of Ps.40.8 million. These were partially offset by an increase in accounts receivable, net of Ps.121.1 million, an increase in other receivables and prepaid expenses, net of Ps.51.1 million, a decrease in customer advances, salaries and social security payable and taxes payable of Ps.30.4 million and an increase in current investments of Ps.22.7 million.

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2007 Fiscal Year. Our operating activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.163.1 million for fiscal year 2007 primarily as a result of operating gains of Ps.276.0 million, an increase in trade accounts payable of Ps.65.1 million, a decrease in inventories of Ps.29.0 million, and an increase in accrued interest of Ps.21.5 million partially offset by an increase in accounts receivables, net of Ps.79.7 million, and increase in other receivables and prepaid expenses, net of Ps.79.6 million, an increase in non-current investments of Ps.35.6 million and an increase in current investments of Ps.29.8 million.

Investment Activities

2009 Fiscal Year. Our investing activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.443.5 million for fiscal year 2009, of which Ps.157.6 million were related to the acquisition of shares in companies and undeveloped parcels of land and other non-current investments primarily in the acquisition of an additional interest of 9.58% in Banco Hipotecario's equity, and in the acquisition of a 30% interest in Metropolitan, and Ps. 272.3 million were invested in the acquisition of fixed assets mainly in the partial construction at the Panamerican Mall Ps. 205.9 million and the construction at Dique IV.

2008 Fiscal Year. Our investing activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.788.6 million for fiscal year 2008, of which Ps.419.0 million were related to the acquisition of business and assets, mainly to the purchase of two buildings (including their in place leases) known as Edificio República and Torre Bank Boston for Ps.228.3 million and Ps.173.9 million, respectively. We also made investments in fixed assets of Ps. 332.5 million of which, Ps.257.7 million were invested through APSA primarily in the partial construction of the Panamerican Mall for Ps.114.4 million, improvements of shopping centers for Ps.50.0 million, in the initial payment for the transfer of Soleil Factory shopping center for Ps.25.6 million, and Ps.40.0 million in the Hotel segment of which Ps. 30.7 million were invested in Hotel Llao Llao. We also invested Ps. 23.1 million relating to Patio Olmos Building and Ps. 16.1 were related to advance payment for a plot of land located at Beruti 3571. We also invested Ps.17.2 million in undeveloped parcels of land.

2007 Fiscal Year. Our investing activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.510.8 million for fiscal year 2007, primarily as a result of investments in fixed assets of Ps.410.1 million due to (i) the acquisition of Bouchard 551 for Ps.243.2 million, (ii) Ps.96.4 million through APSA primarily for improvements made in shopping centers (iii) improvements in the Hotel Operations segment for Ps.57.1 million, principally in Llao Llao for Ps.49.4 million, and as a result of a decrease in minority interest of Ps.41.0 million principally due to the increase in our ownership in Palermo Invest and in APSA for Ps.27.5 million and Ps.7.2 million, respectively.

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2009 Fiscal Year. Our financing activities resulted in net cash outflows of Ps.58.9 million. Our net cash spent on financing activities for fiscal year 2009 was primarily related to (i) the payment of short-term and long-term debt for Ps.156.3 million, mainly due to the payment of Tarshop's debt, the acquisition of Empalme and Mendoza Plaza, the cancellation of notes and the payment of Deutsche Bank loan, (ii) Ps.105.4 million related to the repurchase of APSA Notes Series I and II, (iii) the payment of dividends to minority shareholders of Ps.23.5 million, partially offset by (i) a capital contribution made by minority owners in related parties of Ps.48 million, and (ii) the increase of financial loans and bank overdraft of Ps.180.8 million.

2008 Fiscal Year. Our financing activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.149.1 million. Our net cash provided by financing activities for fiscal year 2008 was primarily related to (i) an increase in short-term and long-term debt of Ps.183.5 million, mainly due to the takeover of the Macro bank loan for the acquisition of Edificio República, (ii) our issuance of common shares as a result of the exercise of warrants for Ps.163.4 million, (iii) a capital contribution by minority owners in related parties of Ps.32.5 million. This was partially offset by (i) the repurchase of debt of Ps.138.6 million (ii) the payment of dividends by subsidiaries to minority shareholders of Ps.24.3 million, and (iii) the partial repayment of Ps.18.4 million of a mortgage obligation.

2007 Fiscal Year. Our financing activities resulted in net cash inflows of Ps.892.2 million. Our net cash provided by financing activities for fiscal year 2007 was primarily related to (i) the proceeds from short-term and long-term debt for Ps.1,199.7 million, primarily due to the issuance of our notes and APSA notes (ii) our issuance of common shares as a result of the exercise of warrants for Ps.26.0 million, partially offset by (i) the payment of short-term and long-term debt for Ps.292.2 million, (ii) the payment of dividends to minority shareholders for Ps.23.2 million and (iii) a the partial repayment of Ps.18.0 million of a mortgage payable.

Indebtedness

The following table sets forth the scheduled maturities of our outstanding debt as of June 30, 2009:

	Currency	Maturity Schedule					Total ⁽²⁾ %	Average annual interest rate %
		Less than 1 year ⁽¹⁾	From 1 to 2 years (in millions of Pesos) ⁽³⁾	From 2 to 3 years	From 3 to 4 years	More than 4 years		
Bank and other debt								
Bank loans	Ps. / US\$	248.4	25.6	25.5	25.5		325.1	
Hoteles Argentinos secured loan	US\$	20.7					20.7	9.7
Alto Palermo 10% convertible notes due 2014	US\$	2.6				58.8	61.4	10.0
Alto Palermo 11% Series II notes ⁽⁴⁾	Ps.	26.6	26.4	26.4			79.4	11.0
Alto Palermo 7.875% Series I notes due 2017 ⁽⁴⁾	US\$	2.7	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	285.7	286.9	7.9
IRSA 8.5% notes due 2017 ⁽⁴⁾	US\$	19.3	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9	566.4	583.0	8.5
Debt related to purchase of subsidiaries	Ps. / US\$	28.9	1.7	1.7	1.7	3.5	37.5	
Total bank and other debt		349.2	52.3	52.2	25.8	914.4	1,393.9	
Mortgages payable								
Mortgage payable Terrenos Bariloche	US\$	1.9					1.9	7.0
Total mortgages payable		1.9					1.9	
Total debt		351.1	52.3	52.2	25.8	914.4	1,395.8	

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- (1) Includes accrued interest.
- (2) Figures may not sum due to rounding.
- (3) Exchange rate as of June 30, 2009: US\$1.00 = Ps.3.797.
- (4) Includes issuance expenses (under Argentine GAAP expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of debt are classified as short-term or long-term debts, as appropriate).

Hoteles Argentinos secured loan

On March 23, 2005, Credit Suisse First Boston International acquired the US\$11.1 million indebtedness incurred by Hoteles Argentinos which had been in default since January 2002. On April 21, 2006, Hoteles Argentinos reduced the outstanding principal amount to US\$6.0 million with a prepayment, and the unpaid balance was restructured to mature in March 2010 with scheduled amortization payments as described below:

Date	Amount due (US\$ thousands)
March 15, 2008	213
September 15, 2008	225
March 15, 2009	239
September 15, 2009	253
March 15, 2010	5,070

Interest accrues on the unpaid principal of this loan at six-month LIBOR plus 7.0%.

In addition, we entered into a credit default swap agreement with Credit Suisse International which, among other provisions, secures the payment of Hoteles Argentinos' indebtedness and provides that in the event of default we should acquire the loan. Simultaneously with the amendment to Hoteles Argentinos' loan agreement, we amended the credit default swap agreement with Credit Suisse International. Thus, we would only assume 80.0% of Hoteles Argentinos' indebtedness in the event of default. The remaining 20.0% was assumed by Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide Inc. (Starwood), an indirect minority shareholder of Hoteles Argentinos, which has also been instrumented through a credit default swap agreement. To secure performance of our obligations under the agreement with Credit Suisse International, we made an escrow deposit of US\$1.2 million.

The loan agreement of Hoteles Argentinos provides that it may not declare or pay any dividends or make any distribution on capital stock, or purchase, redeem, retire, defease or otherwise acquire any of its own shares, or make any distribution of assets, capital stock, warrants, rights, options, obligations or securities to shareholders, except in an amount not to exceed the lesser of (x) Hoteles Argentinos' excess cash flow for the preceding fiscal year, or (y) the consolidated retained earnings and consolidated profits earned; and then only if, after giving pro forma effect to such action, no default or event of default would occur as a consequence thereof.

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10% Convertible Notes due 2014

On July 19, 2002 APSA issued US\$ 50.0 million Unsecured Convertible Notes (the "Convertible Notes") in exchange for cash and settlement of certain liabilities with our shareholders. Raymond James Argentina, Sociedad de Bolsa S.A. acted as underwriting and placement agent and the offer was fully subscribed. The proceeds of the issue of Convertible Notes was used to settle short-term bank loans in the sum of Ps. 27.3 million, and to redeem preferred corporate notes issued by APSA in the principal amount of Ps. 52.8 million. Convertible Notes accrue interest (payable semi-annually) at a 10.0% fixed annual rate, and are convertible, at any time, at the holder's option into common shares at a par value of Ps. 0.10 per share. Translation rate per US dollar is Ps. 3.08642 or the result obtained from dividing the exchange rate effective at translation date by the par value of APSA's common shares, whichever is lower. Maturity date of Convertible Notes was July 19, 2006, but at a special noteholders' meeting held on May 2, 2006, the noteholders approved the extension of the maturity date of Convertible Notes to July 19, 2014; the other terms and conditions remained unchanged. During fiscal years 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004 and 2003 holders of approximately US\$ 2.77 million of APSA's Convertible Notes exercised their conversion rights; consequently, APSA issued 101,582; 52,741,373; 22,852,514 and 4,829,745 common shares, respectively. As at June 30, 2009 the outstanding balance of APSA's Convertible Notes was US\$ 47.2 million. If all bondholders exercise their conversion rights, APSA's common shares would increase from Ps. 782.1 million to Ps. 2,239.7 million.

The convertible notes outstanding as of June 30, 2009 totaled US\$ 47,227,934. If all the holders of APSA notes were to exercise their conversion rights, the number of APSA's outstanding shares would go up to 782,064,214.

As of June 30, 2009, we held US\$ 31.7 million convertible notes in nominal value.

Alto Palermo series I and series II notes

On May 11, 2007 Alto Palermo issued two new Series of Notes totalling US\$170 million. Series I corresponds to the issue of US\$120 million maturing on May 11, 2017, at a 7.875% interest rate payable semi-annually on May 11 and November 11 each year starting on November 11, 2007. The principal amount of this Series is due in a single instalment at maturity. Series II corresponds to the issue of Ps. 154.0 million (equivalent to US\$50 million) maturing on June 11, 2012, at an 11% fixed interest rate payable semi-annually on June 11 and December 11 each year starting on December 11, 2007. The principal amount is payable in seven equal and consecutive semi-annual instalments starting on June 11, 2009.

The first instalment of Series II was paid in the last month of fiscal year 2009.

The aforementioned Series I and II, were issued under the framework of the Global Note Program of APSA. Series I and Series II Notes have been rated by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ("S&P") and Fitch Ratings Ltd. ("Fitch"). S&P has awarded to both Series I and Series II an international B+ rating and a local raAA- rating, whilst Fitch has awarded to both Series I and Series II an international B+ rating and a local AA-(arg) rating.

Acquisition of Alto Palermo's Series I Notes. During fiscal 2009 we bought Alto Palermo's Series I Notes, at a fixed interest rate and maturing in June 2017, for US\$ 39.6 million in nominal value under the Global Program of Negotiable Obligations for up to US\$ 200,000,000. As a weighted average, the price paid was US\$ 0.488 as the so-called dirty price (includes interest accrued but still unpaid) for a total of US\$ 19.3 million.

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In turn, in the course of fiscal 2009 our subsidiary Alto Palermo repurchased some of its Series I notes for US\$ 5 million in nominal value. As a weighted average, the price paid was US\$ 0.3978 for a total of US\$ 1.9 million.

Therefore, as of June 30, 2009, IRSA's consolidated holdings of Series I notes amounted to US\$ 49.6 million in nominal value.

Acquisition of Alto Palermo's Series II Notes. During fiscal 2009 we bought Alto Palermo's Series II Notes, at a fixed interest rate and maturing in June 2012 (Argentine Peso-Linked Note) for US\$ 15.1 million in nominal value under the Global Program of Negotiable Obligations for up to US\$ 200,000,000. As a weighted average, the price paid was US\$ 0.5447 for a total of US\$ 8.2 million.

In turn, in the course of fiscal 2009, our subsidiary Alto Palermo repurchased some of its Series II notes for US\$ 3.2 million in nominal value. As a weighted average, the price paid was US\$ 0.75 for a total of US\$ 2.25 million.

Therefore, at June 30, 2009, our consolidated holdings of Alto Palermo Series II notes amounted to US\$ 19.9 million in nominal value including previous holdings.

Our 8.5% notes due 2017

On February 2, 2007, we issued our 2017 fixed rate notes for a total amount of US\$150.0 million, which accrue interest at an annual interest rate of 8.5% payable semi-annually and which mature in a single installment on February 2, 2017.

These notes also contain a covenant limiting our ability to pay dividends which may not exceed the sum of:

50% of our cumulative consolidated net income; or

75% of our cumulative consolidated net income if our consolidated interest coverage ratio for our most recent four consecutive fiscal quarters is at least 3.0 to 1; or

100% of cumulative consolidated net income if our consolidated interest coverage ratio for our most recent four consecutive fiscal quarters is at least 4.0 to 1; or

100% of the aggregate net cash proceeds (with certain exceptions) and the fair market value of property other than cash received by us or by our restricted subsidiaries from (a) any contribution to our capital stock or the capital stock of our restricted subsidiaries or issuance and sale of our qualified capital stock or the qualified capital stock of our restricted subsidiaries subsequent to the issue of our notes due 2017, or (b) issuance and sale subsequent to the issuance of our notes due 2017 or our indebtedness or the indebtedness of our restricted subsidiaries that has been converted into or exchanged for our qualified capital stock.

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Debt for the acquisition of Edificio República

On April 28, 2008 we executed a loan agreement secured by a mortgage with Banco Macro S.A. pursuant to which Banco Macro S.A. lent us US\$33.6 million which we applied to the repayment of the outstanding balance relating to the acquisition of Edificio República for a total term of 5 years. The principal must be repaid in five annual, equal and consecutive installments maturing on April 28 each year and accruing interest at an annual nominal rate of 12%. Interest must be repaid in semi-annual installments, maturing on April and October 28, of each year. The Edificio República has been mortgaged as security for the amount of the loan.

Capital Expenditures

Three-month period-Fiscal Year 2010. For the first three months period of fiscal year 2010 we invested Ps.20.3 million in capital expenditures mainly for the completion of Dot Baires shopping and Dique IV.

2009 Fiscal Year. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 we invested Ps.282.1 million, of which (i) Ps.272.3 million were related to acquisitions and improvements in fixed assets, mainly in the construction of Dot Baires shopping (Ps. 205.9 million) and the construction of Dique IV, and (ii) Ps.9.8 million were invested in the acquisition of undeveloped parcels of land.

2008 Fiscal Year. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, we invested Ps.768.7 million of which Ps.419.0 million were related to the acquisition of businesses and assets, mainly the purchase of two buildings (including their in place leases) known as Edificio República and Torre Bank Boston for Ps.228.3 million and Ps.173.9 million, respectively. We also made investments in fixed assets of Ps. 332.5 million of which Ps.257.7 million were invested through APSA primarily in the partial construction of the Dot Baires shopping for Ps.114.4 million, in improvements of shopping centers for Ps.50.0 million, in the initial payment for the transfer of Soleil Factory shopping center for Ps.25.6 million, and Ps.40.0 million in the Hotel operations segment of which Ps. 30.7 million were invested in Hotel Llao Llao. We also invested Ps.23.1 million relating to Patio Olmos Building and Ps.16.9 were related to advance payment for a plot of land located at Beruti 3571. We also invested Ps.17.2 million in undeveloped parcels of land.

2007 Fiscal Year. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, we invested Ps.419.4 million of which Ps.410.1 million, were related to the acquisition of Bouchard 551 for Ps.243.2 million, Ps.96.3 million through APSA primarily for the improvement of shopping centers and Ps.57.1 million in the Hotel operations segment, of which Ps.49.4 million were invested in Hotel Llao Llao. We also invested Ps.9.3 million in undeveloped parcels of land.

Principal differences between Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP

The principal differences, other than inflation accounting, between Argentine GAAP and U.S. GAAP are related to the following:

the impact of certain U.S. GAAP adjustments on equity investees;

the accounting for marketable securities;

the application of different useful lives for depreciation purposes;

the deferral of certain pre-operating and organization expenses under Argentine GAAP which are expensed as incurred under U.S. GAAP;

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the accounting for a mortgage payable with no stated interest;

the accounting for securitization programs;

the application of certain U.S. GAAP adjustments to the estimation of the fair value of net assets acquired;

the present-value accounting;

the restoration of previously recognized impairment losses accounting;

the accounting for convertible notes;

the accounting for troubled debt restructuring;

the accounting for real estate barter transactions;

the accounting of inventories;

the revenue recognition of deferred brokerage commissions over the term of the respective leases;

the escalation rental revenue under straight-line method over the term of the leases;

the deferral of certain revenues from life and disability insurance and origination fees;

the amortization of fees related to the Senior Notes;

the accounting for software obtained for internal use;

the accounting for increasing rate debt;

the derecognition of the put option for the sale of shares of Metropolitan

the differences between the price-level restated amounts of assets and liabilities and their historical basis, that under Argentine GAAP, are treated as permanent differences in accounting for deferred income tax calculation purposes while under U.S. GAAP are treated as temporary differences;

the effect of the reversal of capitalized exchange differences.

the effects on deferred income tax of the foregoing taxes of the above-mentioned reconciling items, as appropriate;

the effect on minority interest of the above-mentioned reconciling items, as appropriate; and

In addition, certain other disclosures required under U.S. GAAP have been included in the U.S. GAAP reconciliation. See note 29 to our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this annual report.

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Net income under Argentine GAAP for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009 was approximately Ps.107.1 million, Ps. 54.9 million and Ps. 158.6 million, respectively, compared to approximately Ps.103.2 million, Ps.122.1 million and Ps. 6.6 million, respectively, under U.S. GAAP. Shareholders' equity under Argentine GAAP as of June 30, 2008 and 2009, was Ps.1,924.2 million and Ps. 2,095.7 million, respectively, compared to Ps.1,640.9 million and Ps. 1,588.1 million, respectively, under U.S. GAAP.

C. Research and Development, Patents and Licenses, etc.

We do not have any research, development, patents or licenses that are material for the conduct of our business.

D. Trend Information

After the economic crisis suffered last year, the global economy is moving forward to an expansion track together with much better financial conditions. According to IMF World Economic Outlook released in October 2009, world total output will reduce 1.1 % in 2009, while it is projected that it will grow around 3.1 % in 2010. This is mainly because financial market sentiment and risk appetite have rebounded, banks have raised capital and wholesale funding markets have reopened, and emerging market risks have eased.

Within this international context, Argentina's GDP is expected to rebound for year 2010, in the year 2009 to date a slow-down has been perceived in the level of activity: the EMAE indicator, a monthly estimate of economic activity, shows a recovery and growth for August and September while it showed a slowdown for the previous months and is forecasted, by Estudio Broda & Asoc, to have a negative growth of 3.2% for the whole calendar 2009. Nevertheless, we believe our business lines are well positioned to face a scenario of reduced economic growth thanks to our levels of cash flow generation and long term debt maturity profiles.

As regards macroeconomic indicators, though the country's fiscal surplus has deteriorated during the first ten months of 2009 compared to the same period of the previous fiscal year, Argentina's external accounts have performed favorably as the current account is projected to yield a US\$ 8,600 million surplus in 2009, 13.4% higher than the figure posted a year earlier. Therefore, the Argentine Central Bank maintains a solid position in terms of reserves and as of October 2009 it had succeeded in accumulating US\$ 46,949 million. On top of the stabilization perceived in global financial conditions, the above circumstances have helped to improve liquidity conditions in the local market and access to credit by companies. For more information see Item 3 Risk Factors Risk related to Argentina there are concern about accuracy of Argentina's official inflation statistics .

As concerns the various sectors of the economy, the main indicators show a certain slow-down in the pace of growth of activities. As concerns the construction industry, according to the data shown by the Indicator of Construction Activities (ISAC, in Spanish) prepared by the Argentine Institute of Statistics and Censuses (INDEC), construction activities showed an insignificant growth (0.07 %) in October 2009 compared to the same month of the previous fiscal year, meaning that this activity is back to the levels it had before the crisis gained momentum. As regards retail sales, accumulated sales in supermarkets and shopping centers altogether have grown 16.7 % accounting for the period January-October 2009 compared to the same period last year.

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As regards the demand for homes in the residential real estate market after the shrinkage in demand seen in the first half of the year, home prices remained relatively stable and there was an increase in the number of real estate transactions closed in the third calendar quarter of 2009. Compared to other countries, no sub-prime mortgage crisis is to be expected in our market affecting the value of homes as it occurred in other economies because home loans here still stand for less than 2% of this country's GDP.

As concerns the office rental market in Buenos Aires, since the end of 2008 and as a result of the changes occurred in the economic scenario and the larger availability of surface area mainly due to the addition of footage to the market, there was an increase in vacancy rates which affected the general market price levels.

As regards the hotel sector, according to the data released by the Tourism Secretariat in its International Tourism Survey (ETI) as of September 2009 the number of tourists arriving in Argentina (accumulated 12-month data) fell by approximately 16% compared to the cumulative figures for the same period a year earlier. That was mainly due to the impact of the worldwide financial crisis and the H1N1 Influenza outbreak.

A return to an adequate pace of growth is widely expected for Argentine GDP during the next year. A confirmation of these expectations coupled with the strong position of Argentine Central Bank reserves, the country's competitive position in the world food export markets and the probable restructuring of the remaining sovereign debt could lead to improved consumer and investor confidence. Given this scenario, we expect a growth in transaction volumes for the local financial markets, leading to credit expansion and the persistence of trends observed in the last few months showing stabilization and reduction on local spreads levels. Of course, no assurances can be given about the materialization of these economic expectations, the continuation of current favorable trends and the sustainability of credit expansions.

Despite an overall less favorable context, the Company's segments continue to show a robust position in the current scenario thanks to the quality of our assets, which the market still perceives as attractive. This in turn translates into high levels of occupancy and cash generation combined with low short-term indebtedness. This allows us to assert that we are in a position to sustain our market leadership.

E. Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

At June 30, 2009, we did not have any off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements or obligations with unconsolidated entities or others that are reasonably likely to have a material effect on our financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

F. Tabular Disclosure of Contractual Obligations

The following table sets forth our contractual obligations as of June 30, 2009:

Payments due by period (2)

Contractual Obligations	Total	Less than 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	More than 5 years
Long-Term Debt Obligations	1,879,666	282,555	285,721	134,920	1,176,470
Purchase Obligations	79,297	11,906	67,391		
Other Long-Term Obligations	45,709	8,024	11,578	5,057	21,050
Total (1)	2,004,672	302,485	364,690	139,977	1,197,520

(1) Includes our main financial and related parties debts, foreign suppliers and tax amnesty plan for gross sales tax payable.

(2) Includes accrued interest and prospective interest.

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See the discussion at the beginning of this Item 5 and Forward Looking Statements in the introduction of this annual report for the forward looking safe harbor provisions.

ITEM 6. Directors, Senior Management and Employees**A. Directors and Senior Management***Composition of the Board of Directors*

We are managed by a board of directors. Our by-laws provide that our board of directors will consist of a minimum of eight and a maximum of fourteen full directors and an equal or minor number of alternate directors. Currently our board of directors is composed of thirteen directors and five alternate directors. Our directors and alternate directors are elected for three-year terms by a majority vote of our shareholders at a general ordinary shareholders meeting. Our directors and alternate directors may be reelected indefinitely.

Alternate directors will be summoned to exercise their functions in case of absence, vacancy of death of a full director up to a new director were designated.

The table below shows information about our directors and alternate directors:

Name	Date of birth	Position	Date of current appointment	Term expiration	Current position held since
Eduardo S. Elsztain	01/26/1960	Chairman	2009	2012	1991
Saúl Zang	12/30/1945	First Vice-Chairman	2009	2012	1994
Alejandro G. Elsztain	03/31/1966	Second Vice-Chairman	2007	2010	2001
Fernando A. Elsztain	01/04/1961	Director	2008	2011	1999
Carlos Ricardo Esteves	05/25/1949	Director	2008	2011	2005
Cedric D. Bridger	11/09/1935	Director	2009	2012	2003
Marcos Fischman	04/09/1960	Director	2009	2012	2003
Fernando Rubín	06/20/1966	Director	2007	2010	2004
Gary S. Gladstein	07/07/1944	Director	2007	2010	2004
Mario Blejer	06/07/1948	Director	2008	2011	2005
Mauricio Wior	10/23/1956	Director	2009	2012	2006
Gabriel A. G. Reznik	11/18/1958	Director	2008	2011	2008
Ricardo Liberman	12/18/1959	Director	2008	2011	2008
Juan C. Quintana Terán	06/11/1937	Alternate director	2008	2011	1996
Emilio Cárdenas	08/13/1942	Alternate director	2006	2009	2003
Salvador D. Bergel	04/17/1932	Alternate director	2008	2011	1996
Enrique Antonini	03/16/1950	Alternate director	2007	2010	2007
Daniel Ricardo Elsztain	12/22/1972	Alternate director	2007	2010	2007

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Carlos Ricardo Esteves, Cedric Bridger, Mario Blejer, Emilio Cárdenas, Ricardo H. Liberman and Enrique Antonini are independent directors, pursuant to *Comisión Nacional de Valores* Resolution No. 400/2002. The following is a brief biographical description of each member of our board of directors:

Eduardo S. Elsztain. Mr. Elsztain studied Economic Sciences at University of Buenos Aires (*Universidad de Buenos Aires*). He has been engaged in the real estate business for more than twenty years. He is the chairman of the board of directors of Alto Palermo, Cresud, Shopping Alto Palermo S.A., Consultores Asset Management, Banco Hipotecario and BACS Banco de Crédito & Securitización among other companies. He is also director of BrasilAgro and Hersha Hospitality Trust among other companies. He is Fernando A. Elsztain's cousin and Alejandro G. Elsztain's and Daniel R. Elsztain's brother.

Saúl Zang. Mr. Zang obtained a law degree from the Universidad de Buenos Aires. He is a member of the International Bar Association and the Interamerican Federation of Lawyers. He is a founding partner of Zang, Bergel & Viñes law firm. He is also vice-chairman of Alto Palermo, the first vice-chairman of Shopping Alto Palermo S.A. and Cresud and vice-chairman of Puerto Retiro, Alto Palermo and Fibesa, and a director of Banco Hipotecario, Nuevas Fronteras S.A., Tarshop, Palermo Invest S.A. and BrasilAgro.

Alejandro G. Elsztain. Mr. Elsztain obtained a degree in agricultural engineering from the Universidad de Buenos Aires. Currently he is chairman of BrasilAgro, second vice-chairman of Cresud and executive vice-chairman of Alto Palermo and SAPSA. He is also vice-chairman of Nuevas Fronteras and Hoteles Argentinos and director of IBOSA. He is the brother of Chairman Eduardo S. Elsztain and a cousin of Director Fernando A. Elsztain.

Fernando A. Elsztain. Mr. Elsztain studied architecture at the Universidad de Buenos Aires. He has been engaged in the real estate business as a consultant and as managing officer of a family-owned real estate company. He is chairman of the board of directors of Llao Llao Resorts S.A., Palermo Invest S.A. and Nuevas Fronteras S.A. He is also a director of Alto Palermo, SAPSA, Hoteles Argentinos and Tarshop and an alternate director of Banco Hipotecario and Puerto Retiro, among others. He is Alejandro Elsztain's and Eduardo S. Elsztain's cousin.

Carlos Ricardo Esteves. He has a degree in Political Science from the Universidad El Salvador. He was a member of the Boards of Directors of Banco Francés del Río de la Plata, Bunge & Born Holding, Armstrong Laboratories, Banco Velox and Supermercados Disco. He was one of the founders of CEAL (*Consejo Empresario de América Latina*) and is a member of the board of directors of Encuentro de Empresarios de América Latina (padres e hijos) and is co-President of Foro Iberoamericano.

Cedric D. Bridger. Mr. Bridger is qualified as a certified public accountant in the United Kingdom. From 1992 through 1998, he served as chief financial officer of YPF S.A. Mr. Bridger was also financial director of Hughes Tool Argentina, chief executive officer of Hughes Tool in Brazil and Hughes' corporate vice-president for South American operations. He is also a director of Banco Hipotecario.

Marcos Fischman. Mr. Fischman studied at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He is a pioneer in individual and corporate coaching in Argentina. He provides consulting services to businessmen, scholars and artists. Since 1993, he has provided us with consulting services in organizational communication and development.

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Fernando Rubín. Mr. Rubin has a degree in psychology from the Universidad de Buenos Aires and attended a post-graduate course in Human Resources and Organizational Analysis at E.P.S.O. Since July 2001, he has been the manager of organizational development at Banco Hipotecario. He served as corporate manager of human resources for us, director of human resources for Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton (LVMH) in Argentina and Bodegas Chandon in Argentina and Brazil. He also served as manager of the human resources division for the international consulting firm Roland Berger & Partners-International Management Consultants.

Gary S. Gladstein. Mr. Gladstein has a degree in economics from the University of Connecticut and a master's degree in business administration from Columbia University. He was operations manager in Soros Fund Management LLC and is currently a senior consultant of Soros Fund Management LLC.

Mario Blejer. Dr. Blejer obtained a degree from Hebrew University and a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. He lectured courses at Hebrew University, Boston University and New York University. He has published several articles on macroeconomic and financial stability subjects. He served for twenty years in different departments of the IMF. In 2002, he was appointed chairman of the Central Bank and during 2003 was appointed director of the Center for Studies of Central Banks of the Bank of England.

Mauricio Wior. Mr. Wior obtained a masters degree in finance, as well as a bachelors degree in economics and accounting from Tel Aviv University in Israel. Mr. Wior is currently a director of Ertach S.A. and Banco Hipotecario. He has held positions at Bellsouth where he was Vice President for Latin America from 1995 to 2004. Mr. Wior was also CEO of Movicom Bellsouth from 1991 to 2004. In addition, he led the operations of various cellular phone companies in Uruguay, Chile, Peru, Ecuador and Venezuela. He was president of the *Asociación Latinoamericana de Celulares (ALCACEL)*; U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Argentina and the Israeli-Argentine Chamber of Commerce. He was a director of *Instituto para el Desarrollo Empresarial de la Argentina (IDEA)*, *Fundación de Investigaciones Económicas Latinoamericanas (FIEL)* and Tzedaka.

Gabriel A. G. Reznik. Mr. Reznik obtained a degree in Civil Engineering from University of Buenos Aires (*Universidad de Buenos Aires*). He worked for IRSA from 1992 until May 2005 when he resigned. He has also worked for an independent construction company in Argentina. He is an alternate director of Puerto Retiro S.A., Tarshop S.A. and Fibesa, as well as member of the board of Banco Hipotecario, and a number of other companies.

Ricardo Liberman. Mr. Liberman obtained a degree in accounting from the Universidad de Buenos Aires. He is an independent consultant, specialized in the areas of auditing and taxes.

Juan C. Quintana Terán. Mr. Quintana Terán obtained a law degree from the Universidad de Buenos Aires. He is a consultant at Zang, Bergel & Viñes law firm. He has been chairman and Judge of the National Commercial Court of Appeals of the City of Buenos Aires (*Cámara Nacional de Apelaciones en lo Comercial*). He is an alternate director of Cresud, Alto Palermo and Nuevas Fronteras S.A.

Emilio J. Cárdenas. Mr. Cárdenas obtained a law degree from the Universidad de Buenos Aires and a Ph.D. from University of Michigan. He has been a member of our board of directors since 1996. He was chairman of ABRA, founding partner of Cárdenas, Cassagne & Asociados law firm, Argentina's Permanent Representative to the United Nations, member of United Nations Security Council and is currently a member of the board of directors of HSBC Bank S.A (Bank Roberts).

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Salvador D. Bergel. Mr. Bergel obtained a law degree and a PhD from the Universidad del Litoral. He is a founding partner of Zang, Bergel & Viñes law firm and a consultant at Repsol YPF S.A. He is also an alternate director of Cresud.

Enrique Antonini. Mr. Antonini holds a degree in law from the University of Buenos Aires. He is currently a member of the board of directors of Banco Mariva S.A. (since 1992), Mariva Bursátil S.A. (since 1997). He also served as a director of Inversiones y Representaciones S.A. from 1993 to 2002. He is a member of the Banking Lawyers Committee and the International Bar Association.

Daniel Ricardo Elzstain. Mr. Elzstain graduated with a major in Economic Sciences from the Torcuato Di Tella University and has a Master in Business Administration. He has been our Commercial Director since 1998. Mr. Elzstain is the brother of both the Chairman of the Board of Directors, Mr. Eduardo S. Elzstain, and of the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Alejandro G. Elzstain and cousin of the Director Fernando A. Elzstain.

Executive Committee

Pursuant to our by-laws, our day-to-day business is managed by an executive committee consisting of a minimum of five and a maximum of nine directors, among which there should be the chairman, first vice-chairman and second vice-chairman of the board of directors. The current members of the Executive Committee are Messrs. Eduardo S. Elzstain, Saúl Zang, Alejandro Elzstain and Fernando Elzstain as members. The executive committee meets as needed by our business, or at the request of one or more of its members.

The executive committee is responsible for the management of the day to day business delegated by the Board of Directors in accordance with applicable law and our by-laws. Our by-laws authorize the executive committee to:

designate the managers and establish the duties and compensation of such managers;

grant and revoke powers of attorney on behalf of us;

hire, discipline and fire personnel and determine wages, salaries and compensation of personnel;

enter into contracts related to our business;

manage our assets;

enter into loan agreements for our business and set up liens to secure our obligations; and

perform any other acts necessary to manage our day-to-day business.

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Our supervisory committee (*Comisión Fiscalizadora*) is responsible for reviewing and supervising our administration and affairs and verifying compliance with our by-laws and resolutions adopted at the shareholders' meetings. The members of the supervisory committee are appointed at our annual general ordinary shareholders' meeting for a one-year term. The supervisory committee is composed of three members and three alternate members and pursuant to Section 294 of the Argentine Corporations Law No. 19,550, as amended, must meet at least every three months.

The following table shows information about the members of our supervisory committee, who were elected at the ordinary and extraordinary shareholders' meeting, held on October 29, 2009:

Name	Date of birth	Position	Expiration Date	Current position held since
José D. Abelovich	07/20/1956	Member	2010	1992
Marcelo H. Fuxman	11/30/1955	Member	2010	1992
Roberto Murmis	04/07/1959	Member	2010	2005
Silvia De Feo	10/07/1958	Alternate member	2010	2003
Sergio Leonardo Kolaczyk	11/28/1964	Alternate member	2010	2005
Alicia Graciela Rigueira	12/02/1951	Alternate member	2010	2006

Set forth below is a brief biographical description of each member of our supervisory committee:

José D. Abelovich. Mr. Abelovich obtained a degree in accounting from the Universidad de Buenos Aires. He is a founding member and partner of Abelovich, Polano & Asociados S.R.L. / Nexia International, a public accounting firm in Argentina. Formerly, he had been a manager of Harteneck, López y Cía/Coopers & Lybrand and has served as a senior advisor in Argentina for the United Nations and the World Bank. He is a member of the supervisory committees of Alto Palermo, Cresud, SAPSA, Hoteles Argentinos, Inversora Bolívar and Banco Hipotecario S.A., among other companies.

Marcelo H. Fuxman. Mr. Fuxman obtained a degree in accounting from the Universidad de Buenos Aires. He is a partner of Abelovich, Polano & Asociados S.R.L. / Nexia International, a public accounting firm in Argentina. He is also a member of the supervisory committee of Alto Palermo, Cresud, SAPSA, Inversora Bolívar and Banco Hipotecario S.A..

Roberto Murmis. Mr. Murmis holds a degree in accounting from the Universidad de Buenos Aires. Mr. Murmis is a partner at Abelovich, Polano & Asociados S.R.L. / Nexia International. Mr. Murmis worked as an advisor to the Secretaría de Ingresos Públicos. Furthermore, he is a member of the supervisory committee of SAPSA, Cresud, Futuros y Opciones S.A. and Llao Llao Resorts S.A.

Silvia De Feo. Mrs. De Feo obtained a degree in accounting from the University of Belgrano. She is a manager at Abelovich, Polano & Asociados S.R.L. / Nexia International, an accounting firm in Argentina and former manager at Harteneck, Lopez & Cía./Coopers & Lybrand. She is also a member of the supervisory committees of SAPSA, Cresud, Inversora Bolivar S.A. and Baldovinos S.A.

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Sergio Leonardo Kolaczyk. Mr. Kolaczyk obtained a degree in accounting from the Universidad de Buenos Aires. He is a professional of Abelovich, Polano & Asociados S.R.L. / Nexia International. He is also an alternate member of the supervisory committee of Alto Palermo and Cresud.

Alicia Graciela Rigueira. Mrs. Rigueira holds a degree in accounting from the Universidad de Buenos Aires. Since 1998 she has been a manager at Estudio Abelovich, Polano & Asociados S.R.L./ Nexia International. From 1974 to 1998, Mrs. Rigueira performed several functions in Harteneck, Lopez y Cia affiliated with Coopers & Lybrand. Mrs. Rigueira lectured at the Facultad de Ciencias Económicas de la Universidad de Lomas de Zamora.

Senior Management

The Board of Directors appoints and removes senior management. Senior management performs its duties in accordance with the instructions of the Board of Directors. The following table shows information about our current senior management:

Name	Date of birth	Position	Current position held since
Eduardo S. Elsztain	01/26/1960	Chief Executive Officer	1991
Gabriel Blasi	11/22/1960	Chief Financial Officer	2004
Jorge Cruces	11/07/1966	Chief Real Estate Officer	2007
Daniel R. Elsztain	12/22/1972	Chief Real Estate Business Officer	2007
David A. Perednik	11/15/1957	Chief Administrative Officer	2002

The following is a description of each of our senior managers who are not directors:

Gabriel Blasi. Mr. Blasi obtained a degree in business administration and carried out post graduate studies in Finance at CEMA University (*Universidad del CEMA Centro de Estudios Macroeconómicos Argentinos*) and in the IAE (*Universidad Austral*). He formerly worked as a senior securities trader in Citibank. He also held several management positions related to investment banking and capital markets at Banco Río (BSCH) and was financial director of the Argentine Carrefour Group and Goyaique SACIFIA (Grupo Perez Companc). Currently, he also serves as chief financial officer of Alto Palermo and Cresud.

Jorge Cruces. Mr. Jorge Cruces obtained the degree of Architect and a Master in Business Administration, Finance Mention and Strategic Management Mention, at the University of Belgrano. Before becoming part of the group, he worked as Business Development Real Estate Manager in Diveo Dignet and as Real Estate Projects Manager of Giménez Zapiola Binswagner. At present he serves as Chief Real Estate Officer of IRSA and APSA. He is also Academic coordinator and Professor of the Cluster Portfolio and Asset Management of the Executive program of Real Estate Management at the Torcuato Di Tella University.

David A. Perednik. Mr. Perednik obtained a degree in accounting from the Universidad de Buenos Aires. He has worked for several companies such as Marifran Internacional S.A., a subsidiary of Louis Dreyfus Amateurs where he worked as financial manager from 1986 to 1997. He also worked as a senior consultant in the administration and systems department of Deloitte & Touche. He also serves as chief administrative officer of Alto Palermo and Cresud.

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B. Compensation

Directors

Under Argentine law, if the compensation of the members of the board of directors is not established in the by-laws of the company, it should be determined by the shareholders meeting. The maximum amount of total compensation to the members of the board of directors, including compensation for technical or administrative permanent activities, cannot exceed 25% of the earnings of the company. That amount should be limited to 5% when there is no distribution of dividends to shareholders and will be increased proportionally to the distribution.

When one or more directors perform special commissions or technical or administrative activities, and there are no earnings to distribute, or they are reduced, the shareholders meeting may approve compensation in excess of the above mentioned limits. The compensation of our directors for each fiscal year is determined pursuant to Argentine Law and taking into consideration whether the directors performed technical or administrative activities and our fiscal year's results. Once the amount is determined, they are considered at the shareholders meeting.

At our shareholders meeting held on October 29, 2009, the shareholders approved an aggregate compensation of Ps.11.9 million for all of our directors for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009.

We do not have written contracts with our directors. However, Mr. Eduardo Elsztain, Saúl Zang, Alejandro Elsztain, Fernando Elsztain, and Fernando Rubín are employed by us under the Labor Contract Law No. 20.744. This law governs certain conditions of the labor relationship, including remuneration, protection of wages, hours of work, holidays, paid leave, maternity protection, minimum age requirements, protection of young workers and suspension and termination of the contract.

Senior Management

We pay our senior management a fixed amount, established by taking into consideration their background, capacity and experience, and an annual bonus which varies according to their individual performance and our overall results. The total and aggregate cash compensation of our senior management for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 was Ps.8.0 million.

During this period our contributions to compensation plan for our senior management amounted to Ps.0.2 million.

Supervisory Committee

The shareholders meeting held on October 29, 2009, approved by majority vote the decision not to pay any compensation to our Supervisory Committee.

Compensation plan for executive management

We have a defined contribution plan covering its key managers in Argentina. The Plan was effective from January 1, 2006. Employees may begin participation voluntarily on monthly enrollment dates. Participants may make pre-tax contributions to the Plan of up to 2.5% of their monthly salary (Base Contributions) and pre-tax contributions of up to 15% of their annual bonuses (Extraordinary Contributions). Under the Plan, we match employee contributions to the plan at a rate of 200% for Base Contributions and 300% for Extraordinary Contributions. Contribution expense was Ps.0.6

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million, Ps.0.4 million and Ps 0.2 million for the years ended June 30, 2009, June 30, 2008 and June 30, 2007, respectively. Participant contributions are held in trust as required by law. Individual participants may direct the trustee to invest their accounts in authorized investment alternatives. Our contributions are also held in trust. Participants or their assignees, as the case may be, may have access to the 100% of our contributions under the following circumstances:

ordinary retirement in accordance with applicable labor regulations;

total or permanent incapacity or disability; and

death.

In case of resignation or termination without good cause, the manager may redeem the amounts contributed by us only if he or she has participated in the Plan for at least 5 years.

C. Board Practices

Audit Committee

Pursuant to the System governing the Transparency of Public Offers established through Decree No. 677/2001, the rules of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*, its Resolution No. 400 and 402, the board of directors established that the Audit Committee shall be a committee of the board of directors. The main function of the Audit Committee is to assist the board of directors in performing its duty of exercising due care, diligence and competence in issues relating to us, specifically in the enforcement of the accounting policy and in the issue of accounting and financial information, the management of business risk and of internal control systems, the conduct and ethical soundness of the company's business, the supervision of the integrity of our financial statements, the compliance by our company with the legal provisions, the independence and capability of the independent auditor and the performance of the internal audit function of our company and of the external auditors. Also, the audit committee may be requested by the board of directors to report if the conditions of a related party transaction may be reasonably considered adequate according to normal market conditions.

On November 3, 2008, our board of directors appointed Ricardo Liberman as member of the audit committee. As of the date of this annual report, the members of the audit committee are Cedric Bridger, Ricardo Liberman and Mario Blejer, all of them independent members. Cedric Bridger is the financial expert in accordance with the relevant SEC rules. We have a fully independent audit committee as per the standard provided in Rule 10(A)-3(b)(1).

Compensation of Audit Committee

The members of our Audit Committee do not receive compensation in addition to that received for their service as members of our board of directors.

D. Employees

As of June 30, 2009, we had 2,593 employees on a consolidated basis. our employees corresponding to Argentine real estate are represented by the Commerce Union (approximately 15%) -*SEC: Sindicato de Empleados de Comercio*- by Horizontal Property Union -*SUTERH*- (approximately 3% of workers) and the Administrative Construction Union -*UECARA*- (approximately 5%). Shopping Centers and Consumer financing employees are also represented by the Commerce Union; approximately 60% of total workers are under commerce collective labor agreements. Hotel workers are represented by the *Unión de Trabajadores del Turismo, Hoteleros y Gastronómicos de la República Argentina* (UTHGRA).

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The following table sets forth the number of employees divided by business segment as of each year end :

	Development and sale of properties and other non-shopping center retail properties	Shopping Centers ⁽²⁾	Hotel Operations ⁽³⁾	Financial Operations and others ⁽⁴⁾	Consumer Financing ⁽⁵⁾	Total
As of June 30, 2005	154	872	861	75	556	2,518
As of June 30, 2006	185	966	1,024		979	3,154
As of June 30, 2007	228	983	785		1,302	3,298
As of June 30, 2008	243	1,043	764		1,298	3,348
As of June 30, 2009	209	1,001	694		689	2,593

(1) Argentine Real Estate includes IRSA, Inversora Bolívar, Baldovinos, Madero, Libertador 498.

(2) Starting June 2000, Shopping Centers includes Altocity (e-commerce) and does not include Mendoza Plaza prior to fiscal year 2005.

(3) Hotels include Intercontinental, Sheraton Libertador and Llao Llao.

(4) Telecommunications include Red Alternativa and Alternativa Gratis.

(5) Credit cards include Tarshop.

E. Share Ownership**Share ownership of directors, members of the supervisory committee, members of the executive committee and senior management as of November 30, 2009.**

The following table sets forth the amount and percentage of our shares beneficially owned by our directors, members of the executive committee, supervisory committee and senior management as of November 30, 2009:

Name	Position	Number of Shares	Percentage
Directors			
Eduardo S. Elsztain ⁽¹⁾	Chairman	331,728,746	57.33%
Saúl Zang	First Vice-Chairman	1,372,823	0.24%
Alejandro G. Elsztain	Second Vice- Chairman	2,747,674	0.47%
Oscar P. Bergotto	Director		
Fernando A. Elsztain	Director		
Carlos Ricardo Esteves	Director		
Cedric D. Bridger	Director		
Marcos Fischman	Director	20,000	
Fernando Rubín	Director		
Gary S. Gladstein	Director	21,003	
Mario Blejer	Director		
Mauricio Wior	Director		
Gabriel Adolfo Gregorio Reznik	Director		
Ricardo Liberman	Director		
Juan C. Quintana Terán	Alternate director		
Emilio Cárdenas	Alternate Director		
Salvador D. Bergel	Alternate director		

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Name	Position	Number of Shares	Percentage
Enrique Antonini	Alternate Director		
Daniel Ricardo Elsztain	Alternate director		
Senior Management			
Gabriel Blasi	Chief financial officer	422,360	0.07%
Jorge Cruces	Chief real estate officer	58,851	0.01%
David A. Perednik	Chief administrative officer	95,040	0.02%
Supervisory Committee			
José D. Abelovich	Member		
Marcelo H. Fuxman	Member		
Roberto Murmis	Member		
Silvia C. De Feo	Alternate member		
Sergio Kolaczyk	Alternate member		
Alicia Rigueira	Alternate member		

- (1) Includes (i) 290,696,653 common shares beneficially owned by Cresud S.A., (ii) 39,855,739 common shares beneficially owned by Agrology S.A., (iii) 545,384 common shares beneficially owned by Inversiones Financieras del Sur S.A., for which Mr. Eduardo S. Elsztain may be deemed beneficial owner, (iv) 628,070 common shares beneficially owned by Consultores Assets Management S.A., and (v) 2,900 common shares owned directly by Eduardo S. Elsztain

ITEM 7. Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions**A. Major Shareholders***Information about Major Shareholders***Share Ownership**

The following table sets forth information regarding ownership of our capital stock by each person known to us to own beneficially at least 5% of our common shares and all our directors and officers as a group.

Shareholder	Share Ownership as of November 30, 2009	
	Number of Shares	Percentage ⁽⁴⁾
Cresud ⁽¹⁾	330,552,392	57.12%
IFISA ⁽²⁾	545,384	0.09%
D.E. Shaw & Co. Inc.	44,421,150	7.68%
Directors and officers including Eduardo Elsztain ⁽³⁾	9,659,923	1.67%
Social Security National Agency (ANSES)	25,040,501	4.33%
Total	410,219,350	70.89%

- (1) Eduardo S. Elsztain is the beneficial owner of 166,956,527 shares of Cresud, representing 34.8% (on a fully diluted basis) of its total share capital. Although Mr. Elsztain does not own a majority of the shares of Cresud, he is its largest shareholder and exercises substantial influence over Cresud. If Mr. Elsztain were considered the beneficial owner of Cresud due to his substantial influence over it, he would be the beneficial owner of 57.12% of our shares by virtue of his investment in Cresud.
- (2) Eduardo S. Elsztain is the Chairman of the board of directors of IFIS Limited (IFIS), a corporation organized under the laws of Bermuda and IFISA, a corporation organized under the laws of Uruguay. Mr. Elsztain, is the beneficial owner of 31.84% of IFIS capital stock, which owns 100% of IFISA. As a result, Mr. Elsztain may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of an additional 0.09% of our shares due to IFISA's 0.09% interest in us, without taking into account his indirect interest in us through Cresud.

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(3) As described in notes (1) and (2) above, Mr. Elsztain may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 57.12% of our outstanding shares consisting of (i) 290,696,653 shares held by Cresud (ii) 39,855,739 shares held by Agrology and (ii) 545,384 shares held by IFISA. In addition, Mr. Elsztain is the beneficial owner of an additional 0.11% of our outstanding shares consisting of (i) 628,070 shares held by Consultores Assets Management S.A., and (ii) 2,900 shares held directly by Eduardo Elsztain. As a result, Mr. Elsztain's aggregate beneficial ownership of our outstanding shares may be as high as 331,728,746 common shares, representing 57.33% of our outstanding shares.

(4) As of November 30, 2009, the number of outstanding shares was 578,676,460.

Cresud is a leading Argentine producer of basic agricultural products. Cresud's shares began trading on the *Bolsa de Comercio de Buenos Aires* on December 12, 1960, under the trading symbol CRES and on March 1997 its ADSs began trading on the Nasdaq Stock Market under the trading symbol CRESY.

Between June 30, 2007 and November 30, 2007, Cresud converted all of our 8% convertible notes that it owned and exercised all of its warrants entitling it to purchase additional common shares. As a result of these conversions and exercises, Cresud's shareholding in us increased from 25.0% at June 30, 2007 to 34.4%.

As of November 30, 2009 Cresud's shareholding in us increased to 50.2% through purchases in the market.

As of November 30, 2007, IFISA had exercised all of its warrants and owned 1.4% of our shares. As of November 30, 2008, IFISA's shareholding in us decreased to 0.3%. As of November 30, 2009 IFISA shareholding in us decreased to 0.09%.

Parque Arauco is a significant shareholder in our subsidiary APSA. Parque Arauco is a Chilean commercial real estate developer engaged in the acquisition, development and operation of shopping centers, and its shares are listed and traded on the Santiago Stock Exchange.

Changes in Share Ownership**Changes in Share Ownership**

Shareholder	Share Ownership as of ⁽⁵⁾				
	Nov. 30, 2009 (%)	June 30 2009 (%)	June 30, 2008 (%)	June 30, 2007 (%)	June 30, 2006 (%)
Cresud ⁽¹⁾	50.2	50.2	38.4	25	26.7
IFISA ^{(2) (3)}	0.09	0.4	1.6	1.2	0.8
D.E. Shaw & Co. Inc.	7.68	7.7	6.7	0.2	
Directors and officers ⁽⁴⁾	1.67	0.9	0.5	0.3	0.2
Social Security National Agency (ANSES)	4.33	4.3	4.1	4.8	4.7
Total	63.97	63.50	44.6	31.3	32.4

(1) Eduardo S. Elsztain is the beneficial owner of 166,956,527 shares of Cresud, representing 34.71% of its total share capital. Although Mr. Elsztain does not own a majority of the shares of Cresud, he is its largest shareholder and exercises substantial influence over Cresud. If Mr. Elsztain were considered the beneficial owner of Cresud due to his substantial influence over it, he would be the beneficial owner of 57.12% of our shares by virtue of his investment in Cresud.

(2) Eduardo S. Elsztain is the Chairman of the board of directors of IFIS Limited (IFIS), a corporation organized under the laws of Bermuda and IFISA, a corporation organized under the laws of Uruguay. Mr. Elsztain, is the beneficial owner of 31.84% of IFIS capital stock, which owns 100% of IFISA. As a result, Mr. Elsztain may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of an additional 0.08% of our shares due to IFISA's 0.09% interest in us, without taking into account his indirect interest in us through Cresud.

(3) As described in notes (1) and (2) above, Mr. Elsztain may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 57.22% of our outstanding shares consisting of (i) 290,696,653 shares held by Cresud (ii) 39,855,739 shares held by Agrology and (ii) 545,384 shares held by IFISA. In addition, Mr. Elsztain is the beneficial owner of an additional 0.11% of our outstanding shares consisting of (i) 628,070 shares held by Consultores Assets Management S.A., and (ii) 2,900 shares held directly by Eduardo Elsztain. As a result, Mr. Elsztain's aggregate beneficial ownership of our outstanding shares may be as high as 331,728,746 common shares, representing 57.33% of our outstanding shares.

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(4) Includes only direct ownership of our Directors and Senior Management.

(5) As of November 30, 2009, the number of outstanding shares was 578,676,460.

Except as set forth above, we are not aware of the existence of other shareholders owning more than 5% of our capital stock. The voting rights of our principal shareholders are not different from those of the remaining shareholders.

Differences in Voting Rights

Our major shareholders do not have different voting rights.

Arrangements for change in control

There are no arrangements that may at a subsequent date result in a change in control.

Securities held in the host country

As of November 30, 2009, the Company's total issued outstanding capital stock outstanding consisted of 578,676,460 common shares. As of November 30, 2009, there were approximately 34,727,956 Global Depositary Shares (representing 347,279,560 of our common shares, or 63.0% of all of our outstanding shares) held in the United States by approximately 86 registered holders of Global Depositary Shares.

As of November 30, 2009 our directors and senior officers controlled, directly or indirectly, approximately 58.9% of our common shares. As a result, these shareholders have, and will continue to have, significant influence on the election of our directors and the outcome of any action requiring shareholder approval.

B. Related Party Transactions

We increased our investment in Banco Hipotecario

Several of our directors are also directors of Banco Hipotecario.

We have increased our investment in Banco Hipotecario since 2004. As of the date of this annual report, we owned directly and indirectly Class D shares representing an 26.86% stake in Banco Hipotecario, which give us the right to cast 41.92% of the total votes that may be cast at a shareholders' meeting of Banco Hipotecario.

As of the date of this annual report, other companies affiliated with our chairman, Eduardo Elsztain (including IFIS, of which IFISA is a wholly owned subsidiary), owned Class D shares representing 1.12% of Banco Hipotecario and currently affording such holders the right to cast 1.75% of the total votes that may be cast at a shareholders' meeting of Banco Hipotecario. As a result, as of the date of this annual report, we and other affiliated companies owned in the aggregate Class D shares representing 27.98% of Banco Hipotecario's shares, currently affording us and such other affiliated companies the right to cast, in the aggregate, 43.68% of the total votes that may be cast at a shareholders meeting and to nominate 6 of Banco Hipotecario's 12 directors.

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Space for Fundación IRSA and Fundación Museo de los Niños at No Cost

On October 31, 1997, our subsidiary APSA approved the execution of an agreement granting Fundación IRSA the free right to use 3,800 square meters of constructed area in the Abasto Shopping Center for a 30-year period.

On November 29, 2005, APSA approved the execution of an agreement granting Fundación Museo de los Niños, the free right to use approximately 2,670.11 square meters of constructed area in the Shopping Rosario for a 30-year period.

Fundación IRSA is a charitable, non-profit organization whose Chairman is Eduardo S. Elsztain and whose Secretary, is Mariana Carmona de Elsztain, Mr. Elsztain's wife. Fundación IRSA has used the available area to house a museum called Museo de los Niños, Abasto, an interactive learning center for children and adults, which opened to the public in April 1999. On September 27, 1999, Fundación IRSA assigned and transferred at no cost, the entirety of Museo de los Niños, as well as Abasto's rights and obligations to Fundación Museo de los Niños.

Fundación Museo de los Niños is a charitable non-profit organization established by the same founders of Fundación IRSA and run by the same members of the administration committee as Fundación IRSA. Fundación Museo de los Niños acts as special vehicle for the development of Museo de los Niños, Abasto and Museo de los Niños, Rosario. On October 29, 1999, APSA approved the assignment of Museo de los Niños, Abasto's agreement to Fundación Museo de los Niños. In addition, on December 12, 2005, an agreement granting the right to use of the space designated for Museo de los Niños, Rosario, at no cost, was signed.

Donations for Fundación IRSA and Fundación Museo de los Niños

During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009, we made donations to Fundación IRSA and Fundación Museo de los Niños for a total amount of Ps.2.5 million, Ps.4.8 million and Ps.4.0 million, respectively. Eduardo S. Elsztain is the chairman of Fundación IRSA and Fundación Museo de los Niños.

Our Shares

As of November 30, 2007, IFISA converted all of its convertible notes and warrants. After this exercise of warrants and conversion of convertible notes, IFISA had no outstanding warrants or convertible notes of our Company. As a result, IFISA owned as of November 2007 8.0 million of our common shares, representing 1.4% of our total outstanding common shares.

Between November 30, 2007 and November 30, 2008, IFISA decreased its ownership in us to 0.3 %, by selling in the market around 6,494,920 of our shares.

Eduardo S. Elsztain and Saúl Zang are, respectively, Chairman and Vice Chairman of our board of directors and are also shareholders of our company. They are also, respectively, chairman and vice-chairman of the board of directors of Cresud and are also shareholders of Cresud.

During November and December 2002, Cresud purchased US\$49.7 million of our 8% convertible notes due 2007 and during July and November 2003, Cresud purchased an additional US\$0.25 million of such convertible notes.

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Our convertible notes, which were offered on October 15, 2002 for 100 million units consisting of US\$100.0 million of 8% convertible notes due 2007, are convertible at any time, at the option of the holder, into a fixed number of common shares. Once converted, the holder has the right to acquire an additional equal number of shares at the exercise price of the warrant.

In May 2004, Cresud decided to exercise its option to convert 5.0 million aggregate principal amount of our Convertible Notes as part of our long term strategy, in order to revert the reduction of Cresud's ownership percentage, which was diluted by the conversion of notes and the exercise of warrants by third parties. As a result of this conversion, Cresud received 9.2 million of our common shares.

In July 2004, Cresud converted 0.35 million convertible notes issued by us for US\$0.5 million. On September 30, 2004, Cresud exercised 5.0 million Warrants for 9.2 million ordinary shares at a total cost of US\$6 million. In February 2006, Cresud converted 5.0 million convertible notes issued by us for 9.2 million ordinary shares. In April 2006, Cresud converted 16.0 million of convertible notes issued by us for 29.3 million ordinary shares.

Between June 2007 and November 2007, 12.0 million convertible notes were converted and 33.0 million warrants were exercised. After this exercise of warrants and conversion of convertible notes, Cresud had no outstanding warrants or convertible notes of our Company. As of November 30, 2007 Cresud owned 34.4% of our common shares and as of June 30, 2008 Cresud increased its participation in our Company to 38.4 % of our common shares by acquisitions in the open market.

As of June 30, 2009 Cresud increased its participation in our Company to 55.64 % of our common shares by acquisitions in the open market.

As of November 30, 2009 Cresud's ownership of our Company was 57.12%.

Also Subsequent to the close of the fiscal year and until the date of this annual report, Cresud purchased 8,553,510 shares issued by us, of nominal value 1.0 each, for an average price of US\$ 0.5529 and for an aggregate amount of US\$ 4.7292 million.

Lease of our Headquarters

Our headquarters are located at Bolívar 108, 1st floor, City of Buenos Aires. We lease this property from Elsztain e Hijos S.C.A., a company controlled by relatives of Eduardo S. Elsztain, and from Hamonet S.A., a company controlled by Fernando A. Elsztain, one of our directors, and several of his relatives. A lease agreement was signed among us, Alto Palermo, Cresud and Isaac Elsztain e Hijos S.C.A., in March 2004. This lease establishes a term of 120 months and monthly rental payments of Ps. 8,490. We, Alto Palermo, and Cresud each pay one-third, or Ps. 2.830, of such rent.

Office Space Lease

On November 1, 2008, we lease the 22nd floor of the Intercontinental Plaza Tower from Inversora Bolivar pursuant to a lease agreement related to such floor and to ten parking lot spaces. This agreement, effected from November 1st, 2008, until October 31, 2011, has duration of 36 months. We pay a monthly rent of US\$ 23,234.

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In June 2009, we lease the 24th floor of the Intercontinental Plaza Tower from Inversora Bolivar pursuant to a lease agreement related to such floor and to eight parking lot spaces. This agreement, effective from September 1st, 2008, until August 31, 2011, has duration of 36 months. We pay a monthly rent of US\$ 7,745

Legal Services

During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009 we paid the law firm Zang, Bergel & Viñes an aggregate amount of approximately Ps.3.3 million, Ps.3.8 million and Ps.3.2 million, respectively, as payments for legal services. Our director, Saúl Zang, and our alternate director, Salvador D. Bergel, are partners of this law firm. Juan C. Quintana Terán, our alternate director, is of counsel of this law firm. Ernesto Manuel Viñes, a partner of the firm, is a member of the board of directors of our equity investee Banco Hipotecario.

Dolphin Fund

Since 1996, we have invested in Dolphin Fund Plc, an open-ended investment fund which is related to our director and principal shareholder Eduardo Elsztain. These investments are carried at market value as of year-end. Unrealized gains and losses relating to investment funds are included in financial results, net, in the consolidated statements of income. The amounts relating to our net (loss) gain on holding Dolphin Fund Plc. for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2008 and 2009 were Ps.46.8 million, Ps.(37.8) million and Ps.(12.1) million, respectively.

Loan agreements with members of the Senior Management of Banco Hipotecario

As of June 30, 2009, several members of the senior management of Banco Hipotecario had loans from Banco Hipotecario for a total amount of approximately Ps.1.0 million with an average interest rate of 12%. We believe that each of these loans was made by Banco Hipotecario in the ordinary course of its consumer credit business, is of a type generally made available by Banco Hipotecario to the public, and was made on market terms.

Agreement for the Exchange of Corporate Service between Alto Palermo and Cresud

Considering that each of our Company, Alto Palermo and Cresud have operating areas which are somehow similar, the Board of Directors deemed it advisable to implement alternatives aimed at reducing certain fixed costs of its activities and to lessen their impact on operating results while seizing and optimizing the individual efficiencies of each of them in the different areas comprising the management of operations.

In this regard, on June 30, 2004, IRSA, Alto Palermo and Cresud entered into an Agreement for the Exchange of Corporate Service, which was amended on August 23, 2007, August 14, 2008, and November 27, 2009.

The Agreement for the exchange of Corporate Service among Alto Palermo, Cresud and us, which currently provides for the exchange of services among the following areas: Human Resources, Finance, Institutional Relationships, Management & Control, Systems & Technology, Insurance, Errands, Running Service, Contracts, Technical, Infrastructure and Services, Purchases, Architecture and Design & Development and Works Department, Internal Audit, Real Estate, Hotels & Tourism and Risks & Processes.

The exchange of services consists in the provision of services for value in relation to any of the aforementioned areas by one or more of the parties to the agreement for the benefit of the other party or parties, which are invoiced and paid primarily by an offset against the services provided by any of the areas and, secondarily, in case of a difference between the value of the services rendered, in cash.

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Under the said agreement the companies have entrusted to an external consultant the review and evaluation, on a semiannual basis, of the criteria applied in the corporate service settlement process and of the distribution bases and supporting documentation used in such process, through the issuance of a semiannual report.

In the future and in order to continue with the policy of generating the most efficient distribution of corporate resources among the different areas, this agreement may be extended to other areas shared by the us with Alto Palermo and Cresud.

It is worth mentioning that in spite of the above, the Company, Cresud and Alto Palermo continue to be absolutely independent as concerns the adoption of their business and strategic decisions. Costs and benefits are allocated on the basis of operating efficiency and fairness without pursuing economic benefits for the companies. The implementation of this project does not impair the identification of the economic transactions or services involved, nor does it affect the efficiency of the internal control systems or the internal and external auditors' tasks of each of the companies or the possibility of presenting the transactions related to the agreement in the manner provided in FACPCE Technical Resolution No. 12. Mr. Alejandro Gustavo Elsztain is acting as General Coordinator while Mr. Cedric Bridger has been appointed as individual responsible person on behalf of IRSA, a member of the Auditing Committee.

The Agreement for the exchange of Corporate Service was filed with the SEC in a report on Form 6-K dated July 1, 2004, and amendments to this agreement were filed in reports on Form 6-K dated September 19, 2007, the Second Agreement for Shared Corporate Services was filed on Form 6-K dated August 19, 2008. and the Third Agreement was filed on December 15, 2009.

See Exhibit 4.4 of this Annual Report and 29.II.e to our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements contained elsewhere in this annual report.

Convertible Notes of Alto Palermo

At a noteholders' meeting held on May 2, 2006, the holders of Alto Palermo's Series I convertible notes unanimously approved an extension of the maturity date to July 19, 2014, which had initially been scheduled to mature in July 2006.

On November 30, 2009, the outstanding principal amount of such convertible notes was US\$47.2 million, and we owned US\$31.7 million principal amount of such convertible notes on such date. If all the holders of Alto Palermo's convertible notes were to exercise their conversion rights, the amount of Alto Palermo's shares outstanding would be increased from 782.1 million to 2,239.7 million.

Purchase of APSA's Series I Notes.

During the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2009, we acquired US\$ 39.6 million nominal value Series I fixed-rate Alto Palermo notes due June 2017 issued under this Program. The average weighted price was US\$ 0.4628, totaling US\$ 18.3 million.

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Purchase of APSA's Series II Notes.

During the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2009, we acquired US\$ 15.1 million nominal value Series II fixed-rate Alto Palermo Notes due June 2012 (Argentine Peso-Linked Note) under this Program. The average weighted price was US\$ 0.5447, totaling US\$ 8.2 million.

Purchase of Shares in APSA.

Subsequent to the close of the fiscal year 2009 and until the date of this annual report, the Company purchased 38,400 shares issued by APSA of nominal value 0.1 each, for an average price of US\$ 0.1350 and for an aggregate amount of US\$ 0.005 million.

Purchase of our Notes by Cresud.

During the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2009, Cresud acquired US\$ 28.2 million in principal amount of our Fixed Rate Notes due 2017. The average weighted price was US\$ 0.3830, totaling US\$ 10.8 million.

Exercise of our warrants by Cresud

On September 30, 2007 Cresud exercised 20.5 million warrants issued by us, thereby acquiring 37.6 million of our common shares for a total purchase price of US\$ 24.6 million. Also, on October 25, 2007 Cresud exercised all of the remaining warrants issued by us that Cresud owned (12.5 million) to acquire 22.9 million common shares at a total purchase price of US\$15.0 million. The holders of our warrants exercised a total of 99,896,806 warrants. At the date of this document, there are no IRSA warrants or convertible bonds outstanding. As a result of the exercise of warrants, Cresud's investment in our common shares increased from 25.0% on June 30, 2007 to 34.6% on December 31, 2007.

C. Interests of Experts and Counsel

This section is not applicable

ITEM 8. Financial information

A. Consolidated Statements and Other Financial Information

See Item 18 for our consolidated financial statements.

Legal or Arbitration Proceedings

Legal Proceedings

Set forth below is a description of certain material legal proceedings to which we are a party. We are not engaged in any other material litigation or arbitration and no other material litigation or claim is known to us to be pending or threatened against us or our subsidiaries. Nevertheless, we may be involved in other litigation from time to time in the ordinary course of business.

Puerto Retiro

On November 18, 1997, in connection with our acquisition of our subsidiary Inversora Bolívar S.A. (Inversora Bolívar), we indirectly acquired 35.2% of the capital stock of Puerto Retiro. Inversora Bolívar had purchased such shares of Puerto Retiro from Redona Investments Ltd. N.V. in 1996. In 1999, we, through Inversora Bolívar, increased our interest in Puerto Retiro to 50.0% of its capital stock. On April 18, 2000, Puerto Retiro received notice of a complaint filed by the Argentine Government, through the Ministry of Defense, seeking to extend the bankruptcy of Inversora Dársena Norte S.A. (Indarsa). Upon filing of the complaint, the bankruptcy court issued an order restraining the ability of Puerto Retiro to dispose of, in any manner, the real property it had purchased in 1993 from Tandanor S.A. (Tandanor). Puerto Retiro appealed the restraining order which was confirmed by the Court on December 14, 2000.

In 1991, Indarsa had purchased 90% of Tandanor, a former government-owned company, which owned a piece of land near Puerto Madero of approximately 8 hectares, divided into two parcels: Planta 1 and 2. After the purchase of Tandanor by Indarsa, in June 1993, Tandanor sold

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Planta 1 to Puerto Retiro, for a sum of US\$18 million pursuant to a valuation performed by J.L. Ramos, a well-known real estate brokerage firm in Argentina. Indarsa failed to pay to the

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Argentine government the price for its purchase of the stock of Tandanor, and as a result the Ministry of Defense requested the bankruptcy of Indarsa. Since the only asset of Indarsa was its holding in Tandanor, the Argentine government is seeking to extend Indarsa's bankruptcy to other companies or individuals which, according to its view, acted as a single economic group. In particular, the Argentine government has requested the extension of Indarsa's bankruptcy to Puerto Retiro which acquired Planta 1 from Tandanor.

The deadline for producing evidence in relation to these legal proceedings has expired. The parties have submitted their closing arguments and are awaiting a final judgment. However, the judge has delayed his decision until a final judgment in the criminal proceedings against the former Defense Minister and former directors of Indarsa has been delivered. We cannot give you any assurance that we will prevail in this proceeding, and if the plaintiff's claim is upheld by the courts, all of the assets of Puerto Retiro would likely be used to pay Indarsa's debts and our investment in Puerto Retiro, valued at Ps.54.4 million, as of June 30, 2009, would be lost. As of June 30, 2009, we had not established any reserve with respect of this contingency.

Llao Llao Holding

Llao Llao Holding S.A. purchased Hotel Llao Llao in November 1997, from the Argentine National Parks Administration. Llao Llao Holding S.A., the predecessor of Llao Llao Resorts S.A., was sued in 1997 by the National Parks Administration to collect the unpaid balance of the purchase price in Argentine sovereign debt securities amounting to US\$2.9 million. The trial court ruled in favor of the plaintiff. The ruling was appealed, and the court of appeals confirmed the judgment ordering the payment of US\$2.9 million in Argentine sovereign debt securities available at the date of the ruling, plus compensatory and punitive interest and attorneys' fees. On March 2, 2004, Llao Llao Resorts S.A. deposited a payment of Ps.7.2 million with Banco de la Ciudad de Buenos Aires in favor of the National Parks Administration and deposited Argentine sovereign debt securities class FRB FRB L+13/16 2005 having a total principal amount of US\$3.8 million. The aggregate amount deposited on that date was Ps.9.2 million.

On June 30, 2004, the plaintiff filed a brief rejecting Llao Llao Resorts S. A. payment on the grounds that it was a partial payment and requesting the court to determine the term for the deposit of funds amounting to final payment of the total debt. The trial court pesified the outstanding amount of plaintiff's ruling against Llao Llao Resorts S.A., as well as the unpaid fee of the plaintiff's attorneys. The plaintiff appealed this decision. The court of appeals ruled in favor of the plaintiff maintaining the unpaid amounts were payable in U.S. dollars. Llao Llao Resorts S.A. filed an appeal, which was rejected. Llao Llao Resorts S.A. subsequently filed with the National Supreme Court an additional appeal in response to the refusal to allow the appeal and this action is still pending.

The plaintiff filed a petition requesting that the above mentioned deposit amount be transferred to a savings account. Llao Llao Resorts S.A. did not oppose this petition maintaining that its obligations would be cancelled upon such payment. Notwithstanding the appeal the complaint filed by Llao Llao Resorts S.A., the plaintiff has continued the procedure for the collection of the outstanding amount.

The plaintiff requested the court of original jurisdiction to initiate an incidental proceeding for the execution of the judgment. Llao Llao Resorts S.A. contested this settlement and requested the plaintiff to provide additional information in order to evaluate the amount of the settlement. Also, Llao Llao Resorts S.A. requested that the execution be suspended until there is a final judgment in the appeal filed with the National Supreme Court.

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Llao Llao Resorts S.A.'s request was denied and on July 14, 2008, the court of appeals announced by means of a decree dated June 18, 2008, that it had confirmed the settlement approved by the court of original jurisdiction. On March 17, 2009, the National Supreme Court admitted the appeal against and decided to suspend the enforcement of the judgment in so far as the extraordinary appeal lodged by Llao Llao Resorts S.A. is not resolved.

In accordance with the information provided by the attorneys in respect of this lawsuit, the amount to be recorded by virtue of the Court sentence amounts to Ps.10.2 million as of September 30, 2009, such amount being recorded in Other current liabilities - Payables to National Parks Administration.

Legal issues with the City Hall of Neuquén

In June 2001, Shopping Neuquén requested that the City Hall of Neuquén allow it to transfer certain parcels of land to third parties so that each participant in the commercial development to be constructed would be able to build on its own land. The City Hall Executive Branch previously rejected this request under Decree No. 1437/2002 which also established the expiration of the rights arising from Ordinance 5178, including the loss of any improvement and expenses incurred. As a result, Shopping Neuquén had no right to claim indemnity charges and annulled its buy-sell land contracts.

Shopping Neuquén submitted a written appeal to this decision on January 21, 2003. It also sought permission to submit a revised schedule of time terms, taking account of the current situation and including reasonable short and medium term projections. The City Hall Executive Branch rejected this request in Decree 585/2003. Consequently, on June 25, 2003, Shopping Neuquén filed an Administrative Procedural Action with the High Court of Neuquén requesting, among other things, the annulment of Decrees 1,437/2002 and 585/2003 issued by the City Hall Executive Branch. On December 21, 2004, the High Court of Neuquén communicated its decision that the administrative procedural action that Shopping Neuquén had filed against the City Hall of Neuquén had expired. Shopping Neuquén filed an extraordinary appeal for the case to be sent to the Argentine Supreme Court.

On December 13, 2006, Shopping Neuquén signed an agreement with both the City Hall and the Province of Neuquén stipulating a new timetable for construction of the commercial and housing enterprises (the Agreement). Also, Shopping Neuquén was permitted to transfer certain parcels to third parties so that each participant in the commercial development to be constructed would be able to build on its own land, with the exception of the land in which the shopping center will be constructed. The Legislative Council of the City Hall of Neuquén duly ratified the Agreement. The City Hall Executive Branch promulgated the ordinance issued on February 12, 2007.

The Agreement also provides that Shopping Neuquén will submit, within 120 days after the Agreement is signed, a new urban project draft with an adjustment of the environmental impact survey, together with a map of the property subdivision, which the City Hall of Neuquén will approve or disapprove within 30 days after its presentation. If the project is approved, Shopping Neuquén will submit the final maps of the works to the City Hall within 150 days of this decision.

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The Agreement put an end to the lawsuit of Shopping Neuquén against the City Hall of Neuquén before the High Court of Neuquén, in which the only pending issue is the determination of fees of the attorneys of the City Hall that are in charge of Shopping Neuquén S.A.

On March 28, 2007, Shopping Neuquén submitted the new project draft and revised environmental impact survey to the City Hall of Neuquén. On May 10, 2007, the City Hall of Neuquén, requested certain explanations and made recommendations for our consideration before issuing an opinion on the feasibility of the draft project. On July 17, 2007, Shopping Neuquén answered the City Hall's requests and on September 20, 2007, the City Hall approved the feasibility of the project. Shopping Neuquén submitted the final maps of the project to the City Hall.

On June 12, 2009 a new agreement with the City Hall of Neuquén was signed. Such new agreement requires Shopping Neuquén S.A. to submit the plans of the new road project (with the agreed inclusions to the project) and the amendments to the general project. Once that plans be registered, the City Hall shall consider the project and constructions must commence within a maximum period of 90 days since the City Hall and Shopping Neuquén reach an agreement.

On October 19, 2009, Shopping Neuquén submitted the new road project and the amendments to the general project. The City Hall of Neuquén made certain comments that were answered on November 17, 2009. As of the date of this annual report the registration of the plans is still pending.

The first stage of construction (including minimum construction of the shopping center and the hypermarket) is expected to be completed within a maximum period of 22 months since the beginning of the construction.

Other Litigation

As of July 5, 2006, the *Administración Federal de Ingresos Públicos* or AFIP filed a preliminary injunction with the Federal Court for Administrative Proceedings against Alto Palermo for an aggregate amount of Ps.3,689,485.5, plus an added amount, provisionally estimated, of Ps.900,000 for legal fees and interest. The main dispute is about the income tax due for admission rights. In the first instance, AFIP pleaded for a general restraining order. On November 29, 2006, the Federal Court issued an order substituting such restraining order for an attachment on the parcel of land located in Caballito neighborhood, City of Buenos Aires, where Alto Palermo is planning to develop a shopping center.

After we sold the Edificio Costeros, Dique II, we asked on November 20, 2009 if it was necessary to notify this operation.

After we sold Reconquista 823/41 on April 27, 2009, we asked the Antitrust Authority if it was necessary to notify this operation. On August 14, 2009, the Antitrust Authority informed us that it was not necessary to report this sale.

After our acquisition of Bouchard 557, we asked the Argentine Antitrust Authority whether it was necessary to notify it of such acquisition. The Antitrust Authority advised us that we were in fact required to notify it, and the pertinent court ratified such decision. Consequently, on April 22, 2008, the notice of the operation was filed with the Antitrust Authority. On June 10, 2009, the Antitrust Authority authorized the acquisition of Bouchard 557.

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After we sold the 29.85% interest in Bouchard 557, to Techint Compañía Técnica Internacional Sociedad Anónima Comercial e Industrial, we asked the Antitrust Authority if it was necessary to notify this operation. On July 4, 2008, the Antitrust Authority informed us that it was not necessary to report this sale.

We filed a new request for the Antitrust Authority's opinion regarding our acquisition of Bank Boston Tower on August 30, 2007. The Antitrust Authority advised us that we were in fact required to so notify it, and we challenged this opinion in the local courts.

On May 6, 2008, we filed with the Antitrust Authority a request for its opinion as to the need to notify the Antitrust Authority the acquisition of Edificio República. The Antitrust Authority advised us that we were in fact required to so notify it. We challenged this opinion in the local courts.

On January 15, 2007 APSA and us were notified of two claims filed against before the Antitrust Authority, one by a private individual and the other one by the licensee of the shopping center, both opposing the APSA's acquisition from the province of Córdoba of a property known as Ex-Escuela Gobernador Vicente de Olmos. On February 1, 2007 we responded the claims. On June 26, 2007, the Antitrust Authority notified us that it has initiated a summary proceeding to determine whether the completion of the transaction breaches the Antitrust Law. As of the date of this filing the result of this proceeding has not been determined.

On January 22, 2008, APSA requested the Antitrust Authority's clearance for the transfer of the Soleil Factory shopping center. As of the date of this filing, the Antitrust Authority has not reached a decision.

On December 3, 2009, APSA requested the Antitrust Authority's clearance for the transfer of the shares of Arcos Gourmet. As of the date of this filing, the Antitrust Authority has not reached a decision.

We are involved in other litigation which derives from the ordinary course of our business. We accrue liabilities when it is probable that future costs will be incurred and such costs can be reasonably estimated. Such accruals are based on developments to date, our estimates of the outcomes of these matters and the lawyers' experience in contesting, litigating and settling similar matters. As the scope of the liabilities becomes better defined, there will be changes in the estimates of future costs, which could have a material effect on our future results of operations and financial condition or liquidity.

For more information see Item 4 Regulation and Government Supervision and Item 3 Risk Factors- Risk related to our Business- Our business is subject to extensive regulation and additional regulations may be imposed in the future.

Dividend Policy

Pursuant to Argentine law, the distribution and payment of dividends to shareholders is allowed only if they result from realized and net earnings of the company pursuant to annual financial statements approved by the shareholders. The approval, amount and payment of dividends are subject to the approval by our shareholders at our annual ordinary shareholders meeting. The approval of dividends requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares entitled to vote at the meeting.

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In accordance with Argentine law and our by-laws, net and realized profits for each fiscal year are allocated as follows:

5% of such net profits is allocated to our legal reserve, until such reserve amounts to 20% of our capital stock;

a certain amount determined at a shareholders meeting is allocated to compensation of our directors and the members of our Supervisory Committee; and

additional amounts may be allocated for the payment of dividends or to optional reserve funds, or to establish reserves or for whatever other purpose our shareholders determine.

According to rules issued by the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*, cash dividends must be paid to shareholders within 30 days of the resolution approving their distribution. In the case of stock dividends, the shares must be delivered to shareholders within three months of the annual ordinary shareholders meeting that approved them.

On February 2, 2007 we issued our 2017 fixed rate notes for a total amount of US\$150.0 million at an annual interest rate of 8.5% payable semi-annual and mature on February 2, 2017. This bond limits our ability to pay dividends which may not exceed the sum of:

50% of our cumulative consolidated net income; or

75% of our cumulative consolidated net income if the consolidated interest coverage ratio is at least 3.0 to 1; or

100% of our cumulative consolidated net income if the consolidated interest coverage ratio is at least 4.0 to 1; or

100% of the aggregate net cash proceeds (with certain exceptions) and the fair market value of property other than cash received by us or by its restricted subsidiaries from (a) any contribution to our equity capital or to the capital stock of its restricted subsidiaries or issuance and sale of our qualified capital stock or the qualified capital stock of its restricted subsidiaries subsequent to the issue of our notes due 2017, or (b) issuance and sale subsequent to the issuance of our notes due 2017 of our indebtedness or of the indebtedness of its restricted subsidiaries that has been converted into or exchanged for its qualified capital stock.

Our dividend policy consists in the distribution of an amount up to the highest of a) twenty per cent (20%) of the Revenues of Offices and other Non-Shopping Center Rental Properties segment, defined in Segment information (Note 6 to the Consolidated Financial Statements), as of June 30 of each year, or b) twenty per cent (20%) of Net income defined in the Consolidated Statements of Income as of June 30 of each year. This policy requires that we must at all times comply with the covenants imposed by our financial obligations.

The table below presents the dividend payment ratio and the total amount of dividends paid for, each paid entirely in common shares, for the mentioned years. Amounts in Pesos are stated in historical Pesos of their respective payment date. See Exchange Rates and Exchange Controls.

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Year declared	Cash dividends ⁽¹⁾	Stock dividends ⁽¹⁾ (in Pesos)	Total per common share
1996	0.092		0.092
1997	0.110		0.110
1998	0.060	0.05	0.110
1999	0.076	0.04	0.116
2000		0.20	0.204
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2008			
2009	0.055		0.055

(1) Corresponds to payments per common share.

B. Significant Changes.

El Encuentro, Benavidez. As of December 22, 2009 DEESA transferred us the 110 residential plots identified in the option contract signed on May 21, 2004. Through this operation, DEESA canceled the mortgage in favor of Inversora Bolivar on the real property.

Purchase of Catalinas Plot of Land. In December 2009, we signed a purchase agreement in connection with the auction of a plot of land located in Catalinas Norte, City of Buenos Aires, totaling a surface of 3,648.54 sqm. The total amount for the transaction was fixed in Ps. 95.0 million. Ps. 19.0 million were paid upon the signature of the agreement and the outstanding balance of Ps. 76.0 million will be paid upon the execution of the deed of the plot in May 2010.

Purchase of Shares in APSA. Subsequent to the close of the fiscal year and until the date of this annual report, the Company purchased 38,400 shares issued by APSA of nominal value 0.1 each, for an average price of US\$ 0.1350 and for an aggregate amount of US\$ 0.005 million.

Purchase of Shares of Banco Hipotecario. Subsequent to the closing of the fiscal year 2009, we acquired, through our subsidiaries Palermo Invest S.A., Inversora Bolivar S.A., E-Commerce Latina S.A. and Tyrus S.A., 7,251,430 ADRs and 10,328,193 Class D shares of Banco Hipotecario S.A., for a total amount of US\$ 25.0 million. As a result of these acquisitions, our interest in Banco Hipotecario increased from 21.34% as of the close of fiscal year 2009 to 26.86% (without considering treasury shares), as of the date of this document.

Payment of dividends. As resolved by the General Ordinary and Extraordinary Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009 and the Board of Directors Meeting held in November 2009, we made available, as from November 17, 2009, a cash dividend of Ps. 31,7 million, equivalent to 5.5% of the Capital Stock, and an amount per share (\$1 par value) of Ps. 0.05.

Sale of Edificio Costeros (Dique II). On November 23, 2009, the Company sold to Fideicomiso de Administración Costeros, the building denominated Costeros Dique II A y B, located at Olga Cossettini street 1553, south Buenos Aires City. The total price of the operation that was fully paid by the purchaser amounted to US\$ 18.0 million.

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Merger and spin-off-merger of our subsidiaries. Subsequent to the end of the first quarter of fiscal year 2010, we have reported the execution of a preliminary merger and spin-off agreement with our subsidiaries Patagonian Invest S.A., Palermo Invest S.A., and Inversora Bolivar S.A.. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting adjourned for November 27, 2009, approved the reorganization process and documentation submitted to the shareholders

Creation of Global Program of Short-term Debt Securities. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009, approved the creation of a global program for the issuance of short-term debt securities in the form of simple negotiable obligations, not convertible into shares, denominated in Pesos, U.S. Dollars or any other currency, secured by a common, special, floating and/or any other type of guarantee, including third-party guarantees, subordinated or not, for a maximum outstanding amount that at no time shall exceed the equivalent in Argentine Pesos or in other currencies of US\$ 50,0 million.

Increase of Global Note Program. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009 approved to increase the amount of the global program for the issuance of negotiable obligations for up to an additional amount of US\$ 200.0 million.

Approval of payment management bonus. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009, approved to delegate to the Board of Directors the power to distribute among the management of the Company up to 1% of the outstanding capital stock in cash, in kind or a combination of both methods, and the allocation thereof and timely implementation of such distribution.

Acquisition of Hersha. On August 4, 2009 subsequent to the end of fiscal year 2009, we acquired through an indirectly controlled entity, which includes other minority investors, 5.7 million shares of Hersha which represented approximately 10.4% interest of the issuer. The price per share was US\$ 2.50 and therefore the total purchase price was US\$14.2 million.

Therefore, through the investment entity we become the principal shareholder of Hersha, a leading Company and one of the most prestigious in the hospitality segment in the U.S..

In connection with the investment, we have also entered into an Investor Rights and Option Agreement pursuant to which the Company has the option to buy up to 5.7 million additional common shares at a price of \$3.00 per share at any time prior to July 31, 2014 subject to certain terms. In addition, as a part of the investment agreements, our Chairman of the Board and CEO, Mr. Eduardo S. Elsztain, was appointed as trustee of Hersha.

During the month of November and December and as of the date of this Annual Report, we acquired additional 274,660 common shares of Hersha in several public transactions for the amount of US\$ 743,927.87.

Sale of Tarshop shares. On December 29, 2009 our subsidiary APSA executed a stock purchase agreement with Banco Hipotecario pursuant to which APSA sold shares representing 80% of the capital stock of its subsidiary Tarshop to Banco Hipotecario. Such shareholding consists of 107,037,152 non-endorsable, registered ordinary shares, with a nominal value of 1 Peso per share. Each of these shares is entitled to one vote.

The sale price is US\$ 26.8 million, and APSA will grant to Banco Hipotecario the contractual indemnities that are usual in this type of transaction. The first installment of the purchase price, in the amount of US\$ 5.4 million, was paid on December 29, 2009 and the remaining balance of US\$21.4 million will be paid five business days after the date on which the Central Bank of Argentina notifies the parties of its approval of the transaction.

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In compliance with the regulations of the Argentine Securities Commission (CNV) and currently applicable statutory provisions, APSA's Audit Committee had been required to render an opinion as to whether the terms and conditions of this transaction may be reasonably considered to be arm's length. In this context and based on the independent valuation of a third-party firm of the market value of Tarshop's total share capital, APSA's Audit Committee concluded that the value agreed in the mentioned transaction is consistent with the value that could be agreed in the market between independent parties. It must be noted that the transaction herein discussed is still subject to the authorization of the Central Bank of Argentina.

It must be noted that the transaction herein discussed is subject to the preparation, execution and delivery of definitive documentation and to the authorization of the Central Bank of Argentina.

Signing of Letter of Intent. On June 30, 2009, APSA signed a Letter of Intent with an unrelated party to purchase a 10,022 square meter property in the City of Paraná, Province of Entre Rios, Argentina. APSA intends to construct a shopping center on the site. The purchase price amounts to US\$ 0.5 million. In July 2009, APSA paid US\$ 0.05 million in advance to secure APSA's right of first offer through November 27, 2009 when the Letter of Intent expires.

Purchase of Shares Arcos Gourmet S.A. On November 27, 2009 our subsidiary APSA has acquired 7,916,488 non endorsable, registered common shares, with a face value of Ps. 1 each and with 1 voting right per share, representing 80% of the capital stock of Arcos.

Arcos is the holder of a concession granted by ONABE (the Federal Organism of Properties Management, currently the Rail Infrastructure Administration ADIF -) by which APSA has the right to exploit a site with a surface of approximately 5,813 square meters and the related parking lot with a surface of approximately 28,881 square meters.

The agreed price for the shares acquired by us is the following: 1) US\$ 4.3 million corresponding to the 40% of the shares of Arcos; 2) for the remaining 40% of the shares the price was settled in: 2.a) a fixed amount of US\$ 0.8 million with plus 2.b) 20% of the investment necessary to develop the project as it is explained as follows.

The price indicated in 1) above, was accorded to be paid as follows: the sum of US\$ 0.3 million was already paid; the sum of US\$ 2.0 million was paid at the time of the signature of the share purchase agreement and the remaining balance will be paid in two annual equal installments, which will mature on November 27, 2010 and November 27, 2011, respectively. Regarding the portion of the price indicated in 2.a) above, the sum of US\$ 0.3 million was already paid and the sum of US\$ 0.5 million will be paid when the meeting of shareholders approving the increase in Arcos' capital in US\$ 2.7 million is held. The portion of the price indicated in 2.b) will be paid by us at the time of the eventual capital increases necessary to the development of the project, which must be approved by the respective authorities and in accordance with that agreed by the respective parties, through the limit of US\$ 6.9 million. In this latter case, APSA must pay in such way that the sellers can be paid in the 20% of those increases that they will subscribe.

Approval of the payment of a bonus to the management of our subsidiary APSA. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009 of our

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subsidiary APSA, approved to delegate to the Board of Directors the power to distribute among the management of APSA up to 1% of the outstanding capital stock in cash, in kind or a combination of both methods, and the allocation thereof and timely implementation of such distribution.

Approval of dividend distribution of our subsidiary APSA. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009 of our subsidiary APSA, approved the distribution of cash dividends for Ps. 56.0 million. The dividend was paid on November 17, 2009, to the holders of record on November 16, 2009. The dividends amounted to Ps. 0.07160537332 per share of a nominal value Ps. 0.10 and Ps. 2.8642149326 per ADR.

Increase of Global Note Program of our subsidiary APSA. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009 approved to increase the amount of the global program for the issuance of negotiable obligations for up to an additional amount of US\$ 200 million.

Creation of Global Program of Short-term Debt Securities of our subsidiary APSA. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting held in October 2009 of our subsidiary APSA, approved the creation of a global program for the issuance of short-term debt securities in the form of simple negotiable obligations, not convertible into shares, denominated in Pesos, US Dollars or any other currency, secured by a common, special, floating and/or any other type of guarantee, including third-party guarantees, subordinated or not, for a maximum outstanding amount that at no time shall exceed the equivalent in Argentine Pesos or in other currencies of US\$ 50 million.

Issuance of APSA's Series III and Series IV Notes. On November 13, 2009, APSA issued Notes for a total amount of Ps. 80.8 million under its Global Note Program for a principal amount of up to US\$ 200.0 million, as follows:

Series III Notes, for an amount of Ps. 55.8 million falling due 18 months after the date of issuance, accruing interest at a variable Badlar Private rate plus a 3% spread, payable every three months in arrears. Principal of Series III Notes will be paid in a single installment 18 months after the date of issuance.

Series IV Notes, for a Dollar principal amount of US\$ 6.6 million equivalent to Ps. 25.0 million, falling due 18 months after the date of issuance, accruing interest at a fixed rate on principal in United States Dollars of 6.75%, payable every three months in arrears. Principal of Series IV Notes will be paid in a single installment 18 months after the date of issuance.

The use of proceeds of both series was the refinancing or prepayment of short term debt and working capital in Argentina.

Merger of Comercializadora Los Altos with Fibesa. As subsequent event, Comercializadora Los Altos has subscribed a prior commitment of merge with its controlled Company Fibesa.

Merger of our subsidiary APSA with Shopping Alto Palermo S.A. As subsequent event, APSA has subscribed a prior commitment of merge with its controlled company SAPSA. The Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders Meeting adjourned for November 27, 2009, approved the reorganization process and documentation submitted to the shareholders.

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Capital Increase in Tarshop. During the second quarter of fiscal year 2009, our subsidiary APSA has provided financial assistance to Tarshop for Ps. 105.0 million then accepted as irrevocable capital contributions. This measure was adopted to strengthen its financial position, meet operating expenses and reposition Tarshop on the market, considering the complex situation that presented the securitized receivables market, its historical source of financing. The capitalization of such irrevocable capital contributions was decided by Tarshop's Extraordinary Shareholders Meeting held on October 30, 2009. After this capitalization, the interest in such company stands at 98.6%.

Financial and capital markets situation. As from the last months of 2008, the world's principal financial markets have suffered the impact of volatility conditions as well as lack of liquidity, credit and uncertainty. Consequently, stock market prices showed a significant decline worldwide together with an evident economic slowdown. In the recent months, worldwide markets have experienced some signs of recovery. However, there can be no assurance as to the timing and extent of recovery of the international capital markets and its impact on the market value of financial instruments, particularly equity and debt instruments.

As far as the impact in Argentina is concerned, stock markets also showed a pronounced downward trend in the price of equity and debt instruments, as well as increases in interest rates, country risk and foreign exchange rates. In line with international trends, the values of financial instruments, including instruments issued by the Argentine Government, recently started to recover.

Since the beginning of the crisis, our management has closely evaluated and monitored the effects of the liquidity crisis to take all corrective actions as necessary aimed at protecting the net equity.

During the worst crisis months, the Company experienced declines in its stock price. Recently, its stock price recovered. Management believes that the declines were reflective of the increased risk perception in the market and were not related to the business fundamentals and operating performance of the Company.

The stability of the Company's shopping centers and office and other rental properties tenants (measured by the levels of revenues and occupancy as well as the delinquency or uncollectibility rates) as well as the market value of the Company's properties has not been significantly affected by the credit crisis.

Notwithstanding the above, for the year ended June 30, 2009, the Company recorded negative working capital of Ps. 83.0 million. Moreover, cash flows from operations decreased Ps. 20.6 million as compared on a year-to-year basis. These indicators were mainly affected by the performance of the consumer financing business segment, as further described below.

All other segments of the Company remained positive as shown in Note 6 of our Audited Consolidated Financial Statements.

The consumer financing business segment was significantly affected by the credit crisis. This segment includes the origination of consumer loans and credit card receivables and securitization activities. Consumer loan and credit card receivables arise primarily under open-end revolving credit accounts used to finance purchases of goods and services offered by APSA's shopping centers, hypermarkets and street stores, and financing and lending activities through APSA's subsidiary Tarshop. These accounts have various billing and payment structures,

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including varying minimum payment levels and finance charge rates. Tarshop provides an allowance for uncollectible accounts based on impaired accounts, historical charge-off patterns and management judgment.

Due to the credit crisis and other conditions which worsened as from September 30, 2008, some customers experienced delays in payments increasing uncollectibility and delinquency rates. Tarshop monitored and evaluated all available evidence and increased the level of the allowance for doubtful accounts from Ps. 66.4 million as of June 30, 2008 to Ps. 79.1 million as of June 30, 2009. However, in light with the gradual recovery of the markets, uncollectability and delinquency rates slightly improved for the three-month period ended September 30, 2009. However, there can be no assurance that this trend will continue. Tarshop is closely monitoring the delays, delinquency and uncollectibility rates and will adjust the reserves and take corrective actions as necessary.

For the year ended June 30, 2009, the consumer financing segment contributed a net loss of Ps. 48.6 million to the consolidated results of operations of the Company, as compared to Ps. 8.5 million loss for the year ended June 30, 2008. However, for the three month period ended September 30, 2009, the consumer financing segment generated a net gain based mainly on the recovery of delinquency rates and decrease of variable interest rates of retained interests in securitized receivables.

As part of APSA's protective and corrective measures, APSA took certain actions to enhance Tarshop's capital base. Accordingly, APSA contributed Ps. 165 million in additional financial support and increased its equity interest in Tarshop from 80% to 98.6%.

In addition, Tarshop took other actions, as appropriate from streamlining operations to closing redundant stores to revising and making credit criteria more stringent reducing its total loan portfolio (including the securitized fraction) from Ps. 934.9 million as of June 30, 2008 to Ps. 612.5 million as of June 30, 2009. Some of these measures were (i) structure redesigning of distribution channels, (ii) changes in cash loans and financing plans at stores and (iii) renegotiation of terms and conditions with member stores.

The securitization market remains open and Tarshop completed securitization programs during the recent months with no disruptions. As of June 30, 2009, Tarshop's credit risk exposure is contractually limited to the subordinated retained interests representing Ps. 147.0 million and Ps. 7.8 million escrow reserves for losses.

Due to the factors mentioned above, as of June 30, 2009, Tarshop recorded allowance for impairment of CPs of Ps. 12.1 million to the retained interests to reflect current fair value. For the three months period ended September 30, 2009, no additional impairment charge related to the retained interests in securitized receivables was necessary. Tarshop is closely monitoring the values of the retained interests and will adjust them as necessary.

On the other hand, as discussed in Note 2.g.A.2, of our Financial Statements, we increased our equity investment in Banco Hipotecario from 11.76% as of June 30, 2008 to 21.34% (without considering treasury shares) as of June 30, 2009.

Banco Hipotecario recorded losses of Ps. 28.4 million and Ps. 91.0 million for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The losses for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 were primarily due to the decline in the market value of the Argentine government bonds held in the bank's portfolio. Despite these losses, Banco Hipotecario remained well-capitalized in compliance with regulatory guidelines.

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However, Banco Hipotecario recorded a net gain of Ps. 253.6 million for the three months period ended September 30, 2009, reflecting the gradual recovery of market value of financial instruments, mainly Argentine government bonds.

Moreover, Banco Hipotecario has also experienced a significant decline in its stock price since the credit crisis although it started to recover value in recent months. Management believes that this decline does not reflect the current operating performance of Banco Hipotecario.

In our evaluation process, we considered several factors including, but not limited to, the following (1) the reasons for the decline in value (whether it is credit event, interest or market related); (2) our ability and intent to hold the equity investment for a sufficient period of time to allow for recovery of value; (3) whether the decline is substantial for us; (4) the historical and anticipated duration of the events causing the decline in value and (5) the major fundamentals underlying Banco Hipotecario's business.

The evaluation of other-than-temporary impairments is a quantitative and qualitative process, which is subject to various risks and uncertainties. As of the date of these financial statements, management believes that these declines are temporary and will continue to monitor market conditions and determine if any impairment to the carrying value of the investment is necessary.

ITEM 9. The Offer and Listing

A. Offer and Listing Details

The following summary provides information concerning our share capital.

Stock Exchanges in which our securities are listed

Our common shares are listed on the *Buenos Aires Stock Exchange* and our Global Depositary Shares on the NYSE.

The following description of the material terms of our capital stock is subject to our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, which are included as exhibits to this Form 20-F, and the provisions of applicable Argentine Law.

Price history of our stock on the Bolsa de Comercio de Buenos Aires and NYSE

Our common shares are traded in Argentina on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, under the trading symbol *IRSA*. Since 1994, our GDSs, each presenting 10 common shares, have been listed on the NYSE under the trading symbol *IRS*. The Bank of New York Mellon is the depository with respect to the GDSs.

The table below shows the high and low daily closing prices of our common shares in Pesos and the quarterly trading volume of our common shares on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange for the first quarter of 2002 through December 17, 2009. The table also shows the high and low daily closing prices of our GDSs in U.S. dollars and the quarterly trading volume of our GDSs on the NYSE for the first quarter of 2002 through December 17, 2009. Each GDS represents ten common shares.

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	Buenos Aires Stock Exchange			GDS Volume	NYSE US\$ per GDS	
	Share Volume	Ps. per Share High Low			High	Low
2002						
1st Quarter	5,368,206	1.42	0.71	1,083,752	6.25	4.16
2nd Quarter	5,658,444	1.84	1.42	776,905	5.48	3.58
3rd Quarter	5,543,385	2.20	1.44	812,784	6.12	3.87
4th Quarter	9,071,828	2.25	1.75	2,060,029	6.02	4.79
Annual	25,641,863	2.25	0.71	4,733,470	6.25	3.58
2003						
1st Quarter	9,003,627	2.53	1.82	3,905,500	8.00	5.10
2nd Quarter	2,924,874	2.88	2.32	3,884,500	10.36	7.96
3rd Quarter	2,809,542	2.68	2.10	2,376,400	9.22	7.25
4th Quarter	6,813,720	3.29	2.60	5,876,600	11.43	8.85
Annual	21,551,763	3.29	1.82	16,043,000	11.43	5.10
2004						
1st Quarter	8,325,595	3.34	2.63	4,714,500	11.52	9.10
2nd Quarter	2,877,067	2.80	1.90	3,214,000	9.88	6.50
3rd Quarter	3,977,195	2.42	1.99	2,918,100	8.12	6.65
4th Quarter	8,723,019	3.43	2.38	5,266,000	11.45	8.11
Annual	23,902,876	3.43	1.90	16,112,600	11.52	6.50
2005						
1st Quarter	6,954,604	5.05	3.22	14,019,100	17.10	11.00
2nd Quarter	5,182,675	3.80	3.22	6,986,500	12.84	11.12
3rd Quarter	2,849,409	3.67	3.34	5,473,500	13.00	11.61
4th Quarter	1,824,160	3.79	3.35	4,884,000	12.58	11.15
Annual	16,810,848	5.05	3.22	31,363,100	17.10	11.00
2006						
1st Quarter	3,229,234	4.13	3.35	11,372,300	13.35	10.80
2nd Quarter	11,204,101	4.20	3.35	13,396,000	13.96	10.74
3rd Quarter	5,154,760	3.96	3.26	8,678,100	12.86	10.60
4th Quarter	3,619,656	5.20	4.00	15,941,800	16.98	12.90
Annual	23,207,751	5.20	3.26		16.98	10.60
2007						
1st Quarter	3,403,858	5.90	4.84	10,414,573	19.13	15.75
2nd Quarter	11,349,045	6.60	5.70	12,487,722	21.52	18.50
3rd Quarter	8,409,557	6.45	4.68	12,302,000	20.84	14.45
4th Quarter	11,105,417	6.60	5.70	12,073,872	21.52	18.5
Annual	34,267,877	6.60	4.68	47,278,167	21.52	14.45
2008						
1st Quarter	8,223,304	6.45	4.68	12,236,600	20.84	14.45
2nd Quarter	7,824,963	5.75	4.60	11,040,908	18.05	14.43
3rd Quarter	14,655,868	4.65	3.98	12,673,507	14.31	12.54
4th Quarter	4,415,141	4.78	3.62	13,062,516	15.10	11.19
Annual	35,119,276	6.45	3.62	49,013,531	20.84	11.19
2009						
1st Quarter	3,762,169	3.57	2.26	8,494,740	12.00	7.27
2nd Quarter	10,154,077	2.25	1.15	11,729,450	7.11	3.08
3rd Quarter	2,806,623	1.50	1.10	2,515,185	4.53	3.01
4th Quarter	4,308,241	1.95	1.40	3,352,171	5.00	3.54
Annual	21,031,110	3.57	1.10	26,091,546	12.00	3.01
July 2009	1,734,161	2.20	1.87	2,026,642	5.80	4.75
August 2009	1,667,572	2.66	2.18	1,359,055	6.97	5.80
September 2009	1,458,373	3.15	2.37	764,744	8.30	6.01

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October 2009	1,722,247	3.57	3.05	1,204,508	9.40	7.87
November 2009	1,201,532	3.25	2.89	1,161,355	8.80	7.85
December 2009 (through December 17, 2008)	459,740	3.38	3.06	304,526	8.85	8.40

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B. Plan of Distribution

This item is not applicable.

C. Markets

Argentine Securities Markets

The CNV is a separate governmental entity with jurisdiction covering the territory of Argentina. Its main purpose is to ensure transparency of Argentina's securities markets, to watch over the market price formation process and to protect investors. The CNV supervises corporations authorized to issue securities to the public, the secondary markets where these securities are traded, and all persons and corporations involved in any capacity in the public offering and trading of these securities. The Argentine markets are governed generally by Law No. 17,811, as amended, which created the CNV and regulates stock exchanges, stockbrokers, market operations and the public offerings of securities. There is a relatively low level of regulation of the market for Argentine securities and of investors' activities in this market, and enforcement of existing regulatory provisions has been extremely limited. Furthermore, there may be less publicly available information about Argentine companies than is regularly published by or about companies in the United States and certain other countries. However, the Argentine government and the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*, taking into consideration the deeper global awareness of the importance of having adequate corporate governance practices and a legal framework to enforce principles such as full information, and transparency, have issued decree No. 677/2001. This decree has the objective of determining the rights of the financial consumer, increasing market transparency and an adequate legal framework to increase the investor's protection within the capital market. Most of its reforms are in line with world trends pertaining to corporate governance practices that have already been adopted by many emerging markets.

In order to offer securities to the public in Argentina, an issuer must meet certain requirements of the CNV regarding assets, operating history, management and other matters, and only securities for which an application for a public offering has been approved by the CNV may be listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. This approval does not imply any kind of certification or assurance related to the merits or the quality of the securities, or the issuer's solvency. Issuers of listed securities are required to file unaudited quarterly financial statements and audited annual financial statements, as well as various other periodic reports, with the CNV and the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange.

Securities Exchanges in Argentina

There are 10 securities exchanges in Argentina, of which the principal exchange for the Argentine securities market is the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, which handles approximately 99% of all equity trading in the country.

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Buenos Aires Stock Exchange

The Buenos Aires Stock Exchange is a complex, non-profit, and self-regulated organization. The various markets require different self-organizations of brokers within the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, which is one of its particular characteristics. The most important and traditional of these markets is Mercado de Valores S.A. (Merval).

The securities that may be listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange are: Stocks, Corporate Bonds, Convertible Corporate Bonds, Close-ended Investment Funds, Financial Trust, Indexes, Derivatives and Public Bonds. The Buenos Aires Stock Exchange is legally qualified for admission, suspension, and delisting of securities according to its own rules approved by the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*. Furthermore, the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange works very closely with the CNV in surveillance activities. Also under a special agreement, registration and listing applications are directly filed with the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange for simultaneous processing.

Merval

The Merval is a corporation whose 134 shareholder members are the only individuals and entities authorized to trade, either as principal or as agent, in the securities listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. Trading on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange is conducted by continuous open outcry, or the traditional auction system, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each business trading day of the year. Trading on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange is also conducted through the automated trading platform, *Sistema Integrado de Negociación Asistida por Computación* (SINAC). SINAC is a computer trading system that permits trading in debt securities and equity securities. SINAC is accessed by brokers directly from workstations located at their offices. Currently, all transactions relating to listed notes and listed government securities can be effected through SINAC.

Over the Counter Market

The Electronic Open Market (*Mercado Abierto Electrónico* or MAE) is an exchange organized under the laws of Argentina, which operates as a self-regulatory organization under the supervision of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*.

The MAE works as an electronic environment to process Over The Counter transactions. It is an electronic exchange where both government securities and corporate bonds are traded through spot and forward contracts.

The MAE has 90 brokers/dealers members, which include national banks, provincial banks, municipal banks, private national banks, foreign banks, cooperative banks, financial institutions, foreign exchange entities and pure brokers/dealers (exclusively engaged in brokerage activities). Both Argentine or foreign capital banks and financial institutions may be the MAE s brokers/dealers.

Securities to be traded must be registered with the pertinent supervising authorities and may be traded in the Mercado Abierto Electrónico, in other exchanges or in both of them concurrently.

Table of Contents*Securities Central Depository*

Caja de Valores S.A. is a corporation organized under the laws of Argentina, totally private, which acts as central depository of public bonds and private securities. It was established in 1974 by Act 20,643, and it is supervised by the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*.

Those authorized to make deposits of securities with the *Caja de Valores* are stockbrokers, banking financial institutions, and mutual funds.

The majority shareholders of the *Caja de Valores S.A.* are the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange and the Merval (49.98% each).

Information regarding the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange

	As of June 30,	
	2008	2009
Market capitalization (Ps.billion)	1,822.3	1,751.13
Average daily trading volume (Ps.million)	95.9	39.97
Number of listed companies	111	110

Although companies may list all of their capital stock on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, in many cases a controlling block is retained by the principal shareholders resulting in only a relatively small percentage of many companies' stock being available for active trading by the public on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange.

As of June 30, 2009, approximately 110 companies had equity securities listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange. As of June 30, 2009, approximately 5.33% of the total market capitalization of the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange was represented by the securities of the ten largest national companies.

The Argentine securities markets are substantially more volatile than the securities markets in the United States and certain other developed countries. The Merval experienced a 13% increase in 1995, a 25% increase in 1996, a 6% increase in 1997, a 37% decrease in 1998, a 28% increase in 1999, a 24% decrease in 2000, a 29% decrease in 2001, a 77% increase in 2002, a 104% increase in 2003, a 28% increase in 2004, a 13% increase in 2005, a 34% increase in 2006, a 2.93% increase in 2007, a 0.59% increase in 2008, and a 26.20% decrease for the six month period ended June 30, 2009. In order to control price volatility, the Merval operates a system pursuant to which the negotiation of a particular stock or debt security is suspended for a 15- minute period when the price of the security registers a variation on its price between 10% and 15% and between 15% and 20%. Any additional 5% variation on the price of the security after that results in additional 10 minute successive suspension periods.

The New York Stock Exchange

Our Global Depository Shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol *IRS* .

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D. Selling Shareholders

This item is not applicable.

E. Dilution

This item is not applicable.

F. Expenses of the Issue

This item is not applicable.

ITEM 10. Additional Information

A. Share Capital

This item is not applicable.

B. Memorandum and Articles of Association

Our corporate purpose

Our legal name is IRSA Inversiones y Representaciones Sociedad Anónima. We were incorporated under the laws of Argentina on April 30, 1943 as a *sociedad anónima* (stock corporation) and were registered with the Public Registry of Commerce of the City of Buenos Aires (*Inspección General de Justicia* or IGJ) on June 23, 1943 under number 284, on page 291, book 46 of volume A. Pursuant to our by-laws, our term of duration expires on April 5, 2043.

Pursuant to article 4 of our by-laws our purpose is to perform the following activities:

Invest, develop and operate real estate developments;

Invest, develop and operate personal property, including securities;

Construct and operate works, services and public property;

Manage real or personal property, whether owned by us or by third parties;

Build, recycle, or repair real property whether owned by us or by third parties;

Advise third parties with respect to the aforementioned activities;

Finance projects, undertakings, works and/or real estate transactions of third parties;

Finance, create, develop and operate projects related to Internet.

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Board of Directors

Voting on proposals in which directors have material interest

Decree No. 677/01 establishes in Section 8 that the directors, administrators and members of the supervisory committee of companies whose securities are publicly offered, shall act in a loyal and diligent manner when exercising their functions. In that sense, they must:

place the corporate interests of the company and the common interest of the shareholders above any other interest, including the controlling shareholder's interests;

refrain from obtaining a personal benefit from the issuer other than the compensation paid for their functions;

organize and implement preventive systems and mechanisms to protect corporate interests, reducing the risk of conflicts of interests, either permanent or temporary, in their personal relationships with the company or with persons related to the company. This duty specifically refers to competition with the company, the use or imposition of a lien on corporate assets, the determination of compensation or proposals related thereto, the use of non public information, the use of business opportunities for their own benefit or for the benefit of third parties and, in general, any situation that may generate a conflict of interests affecting the issuer;

make the necessary arrangements to perform the company's activities and implement the necessary internal control to ensure a careful management and avoid breaches of the duties established by the applicable regulations; and

act with due diligence when preparing and disclosing the information to the market, and maintain the independence of external auditors.

The Argentine Corporations Law No. 19,550 establishes in Section 271 that directors may contract with the company when the contract is related to the regular activities of the company and its terms and conditions are established on market terms. All other contracts with directors should be approved by the shareholders.

Further, Section 73 of Decree No. 677/01 establishes a specific procedure for transactions of a company whose securities are publicly offered, entered into with its directors, members of the supervisory committee, or senior managers and which involve a relevant amount. The transaction is considered to have a relevant amount when it exceeds: (i) one percent (1%) of the corporate capital, measured pursuant to the last approved financial statements, and (ii) the equivalent of three hundred thousand Pesos (Ps. 300,000).

The related person with an interest in the transaction should submit all the relevant documentation to the approval of the board of directors. The directors shall request a report of the audit committee stating if the conditions of the operation may be reasonably considered adequate according to normal market conditions and additionally, they may request a report of two independent evaluating firms that shall have informed about the same matter and about the other operation conditions. Immediately after being approved by the board of directors the transaction has to be informed to the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*.

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Notwithstanding that, Section 272 of the Corporations Law No. 19,550 provides that when a director has an opposite interest to the one of the company, he or she should notify that situation to the board of directors and the supervisory committee and abstain to vote in that respect. The violation of this provision results in the director being jointly and severally unlimitedly liable.

In the event that the results of the reports are not favorable to the transaction, its approval should be considered by the shareholders' meeting.

Approval of compensation of the members of the Board of Directors, Senior Management and Supervisory Committee

Our bylaws do not establish the compensation to be paid to members of the board of directors and the supervisory committee, and therefore pursuant to Section 261 of the Corporations Law No.19,550, it should be approved by the shareholders. The maximum amount that may be paid as compensation to members of the board of directors and the supervisory committee should not exceed 25% of the realized and net earnings of the company and 5% when there is no distribution of dividends. If the company does not distribute the total earnings, the amount of the compensation should be proportional to that distribution and within the mentioned limits. These limits may only be surpassed by express approval of the shareholders.

At our shareholders meeting held on October 29, 2009, the shareholders approved an aggregate compensation of Ps.11,9 million for all of our directors for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009.

The total and aggregate cash compensation of our senior management for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 was Ps.8.0 million.

The shareholders meeting held on October 29, 2009, approved by majority vote the decision not to pay any compensation to our Supervisory Committee.

Powers of directors

Our bylaws establish, in Section 18, that the board of directors has full and broad powers to organize, manage and direct us to fulfilling the corporate purpose.

Retirement of directors

Our bylaws do not establish any requirements or provisions regarding age limits for directors' retirement, nor do they require a number of shares a director must own to qualify for the position.

Rights, preferences and restrictions attaching to the common shares

Dividend rights

The Argentine Corporation Law No. 19,550 establishes that the distribution and payment of dividends to shareholders is valid only if they result from realized and net earnings of the company pursuant to an annual balance sheet approved by the shareholders. Our board of directors submits our financial statements for the previous financial year, together with the reports of our Supervisory Committee, to the Annual Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting. This meeting must be held by October 30 of each year to approve the financial statements and decide on the allocation of our net income for the year under review. The distribution, amount and payment of dividends, if any, must be approved by the affirmative vote of the majority of the present votes with right to vote at the meeting.

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The shareholders' meeting may authorize payment of dividends on a quarterly basis provided no applicable regulations are violated. In that case, all and each of the members of the board of directors and the supervisory committee will be jointly and severally unlimitedly liable for the refund of those dividends if, as of the end of the respective fiscal year, the realized and net earnings of the Company are not sufficient to allow the payment of dividends.

When we declare and pay dividends on the common shares, the holders of our GDRs, each representing the right to receive ten ordinary shares, outstanding on the corresponding registration date, are entitled to receive the dividends due on the common shares underlying the GDRs, subject to the terms of the Deposit Agreement dated as of May 24, 1994, as amended and restated as of December 12, 1994, as further amended and restated as of November 15, 2000, executed by and between us, The Bank of New York Mellon, as depositary and the eventual holders of GDRs. The cash dividends are to be paid in Pesos and, except under certain circumstances, are to be converted by the Depositary into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate prevailing at the conversion date and are to be paid to the holders of the GDRs net of any applicable fee on the dividend distribution, costs and conversion expenses, taxes and public charges. Since January 2002 and due to the devaluation of the Peso, the exchange rate for the dividends will occur at a floating market rate, which, as of the date of this annual report is Ps.3.406 for each U.S. dollar.

Our dividend policy is proposed from time to time by our board of directors and is subject to shareholders' approval at an ordinary shareholders' meeting. Declarations of dividends are based upon our results of operations, financial condition, cash requirements and future prospects, as well as restrictions under debt obligations and other factors deemed relevant by our board of directors and our shareholders.

Dividends may be lawfully paid only out of our retained earnings determined by reference to the financial statements prepared in accordance with Argentine GAAP. In accordance with the Argentine Companies Law, net income is allocated in the following order: (i) 5% is retained in a legal reserve until the amount of such reserve equals 20% of the Company's outstanding capital; (ii) dividends on preferred stock or common shares or other amounts may be retained as a voluntary reserve, contingency reserve or new account, or (iii) for any other purpose as determined by the Company's shareholders at an ordinary shareholders' meeting.

Our legal reserve is not available for distribution. Under the applicable regulations of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*, dividends are distributed pro rata in accordance with the number of shares held by each holder within 30 days of being declared by the shareholders for cash dividends and within 90 days of approval in the case of dividends distributed as shares. The right to receive payment of dividends expires three years after the date on which they were made available to shareholders. The shareholders' meeting may authorize payment of dividends on a quarterly basis provided no applicable regulations are violated. In such case, all and each of the members of the board of directors and the supervisory committee will be jointly and severally liable for the refund of those dividends if, at the end of the respective fiscal year, the realized and net earnings of the Company are not sufficient to allow for the payment of dividends.

Voting rights and staggered elections

Our stock capital is composed by book-entry common shares with face value of Ps. 1 per share and entitled to one vote each.

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All directors and alternate directors are elected for a three-year term.

Our by laws do not consider staggered elections.

Rights to share in IRSA s profits

The holders of our common shares have the right to participate in our net and realized profits on a *pro rata* basis of their respective interests.

Pursuant to the Corporations Law and Section 29 of our bylaws, liquidated and realized profits of each fiscal year shall be distributed as follows:

allocate 5% of such net profits to legal reserve, until the amount of such reserve equals 20% of our capital stock;

the sum established by the shareholders meeting as remuneration of the board of Directors and the supervisory committee; and

dividends, additional dividends to preferred shares if any, or to optional reserve funds or contingency reserves or to a new account, or for whatever purpose the shareholders determine at the shareholders meeting.

Rights to share in any surplus in the event of liquidation

In the event of liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of our company, our assets are:

to be applied to satisfy our liabilities; and

to be proportionally distributed among holders of preferred stock in accordance with the terms of the preferred stock. If any surplus remains, our shareholders are entitled to receive and share proportionally in all net assets available for distribution to our shareholders, subject to the order of preference established by our by-laws.

Provisions related to a shareholder s ownership of certain amount of shares

Section 9 of our by-laws provides that the acquisition by any person or group, directly or indirectly of our shares, convertible securities, rights to receive any of those securities that may grant that person the control of our company or 35% or more of our capital stock may only be done by complying with certain tender offer rules for all of our shares, except for:

acquisitions by persons holding or controlling shares or convertible securities in accordance to Decree No. 677/2001, notwithstanding the provisions of the *Comisión Nacional de Valores*; and

holdings of more than 35%, which derive from the distribution of shares or dividends paid in shares approved by the shareholders, or the issuance of shares as a result of a merger approved by the shareholders; in both cases, the excess holding shall be disposed of within 180 days of its registration in the relevant shareholder s account, or prior to the holding of our shareholders meeting, whatever occurs first.

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Our shareholders modified the first of the above exceptions in their shareholder meeting on October 10, 2007, to include the control concept under Decree No. 677/2001, which provides for the effective control regularly held in addition to the legal control.

Directors, senior managers, executive officers, members of the supervisory committee, and controlling shareholders of an Argentine company whose securities are publicly listed, should notify the CNV on a monthly basis, of their beneficial ownership of shares, debt securities, and call and put options related to securities of such companies and their controlling, controlled or affiliated companies.

In addition, the CNV must be immediately notified of transactions which cause a person's holdings of capital stock of an Argentine company whose securities are publicly listed to hold 5% or more of the voting power and of every change in the holdings of such person that represents a multiple of 5% of the voting power. Holders of more than 50% of the common shares of a company or who otherwise have voting control of a company, as well as directors, officers and members of the supervisory committee, must provide the CNV with annual reports setting forth their holdings in the capital stock of such companies and monthly reports of any change in their holdings.

Procedure to change the rights of stockholders

The rights of holders of stock are established in the Corporations Law and in the bylaws. The rights of shareholders provided for by the Corporations Law may not be diminished by the bylaws. Section 235 of the Corporations Law establishes that the amendment of the bylaws should be approved by the absolute majority of our shareholders at an extraordinary shareholders meeting.

On October 31, 2003 in the ordinary and extraordinary annual shareholders meeting, shareholders decided not to adhere to the *Régimen Estatutario Optativo de Oferta Pública de Adquisición Obligatoria* (Optional Statutory Body of Public Offering of Compulsory Acquisition) provided under Decree No. 677/2001, consequently, shareholders decided to incorporate that provision under Section 1 of the by-laws.

Ordinary and extraordinary shareholders meetings

Our by-laws provide that shareholders meetings may be called by our board of directors or by our Supervisory Committee or at the request of the holders of shares representing no less than 5% of the common shares. Any meetings called at the request of shareholders must be held within 30 days after the request is made. Any shareholder may appoint any person as its duly authorized representative at a shareholders meeting, by granting a proxy. Co-owners of shares must have single representation.

In general, the following matters can be considered only at a special shareholders meeting (*asamblea extraordinaria*):

matters that may not be approved at an ordinary shareholders meeting;

the amendment of our by-laws;

reductions in our share capital;

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redemption, reimbursement and amortization of our shares;

mergers, and other corporate changes, including dissolution and winding-up;

limitations or suspensions to preemptive rights to the subscription of the new shares; and

issuance of debentures, convertible negotiable obligations and bonds that not qualify as notes (*obligaciones negociables*).

In addition, pursuant to Decree 677/2001, at an ordinary shareholders meeting, our shareholders must consider (i) the disposition of, or creation of any lien over, our assets as long as such decision has not been performed under the ordinary course of business; (ii) the execution of administration or management agreements; and (iii) whether to approve the payment of any agreement providing assets or services to us as long as such payment is material when measured against the volume of the ordinary course of business and our shareholders equity.

In accordance with our by-laws, ordinary and special shareholders meetings (*asamblea extraordinaria*) are subject to a first and second quorum call, the second to occur upon the failure of the first. The first and second notice of ordinary shareholders meetings may be made simultaneously. In the event that both are made on the same day, the second must occur at least one hour after the first. If simultaneous notice was not given, the second notice must be given within 30 days after the failure to reach quorum at the first. Such notices must be given in compliance with applicable regulations.

A quorum for an ordinary shareholders meeting on the first call requires the presence of a number of shareholders holding a majority of the shares entitled to vote and, on the second call, the quorum consists of the number of shareholders present, whatever that number. Decisions at ordinary shareholders meetings must be approved by a majority of the votes validly exercised by the shareholders.

A quorum for a special shareholders meeting (*asamblea extraordinaria*) on the first call requires the presence of persons holding 60% of the shares entitled to vote and, on the second call, the quorum consists of the number of shareholders present, whatever that number. Decisions at special shareholders meeting (*asamblea extraordinaria*) generally must be approved by a majority of the votes validly exercised.

However, pursuant to the Argentine Corporations Law No. 19,550, all shareholders meetings, whether convened on a first or second quorum call, require the affirmative vote of the majority of shares with right to vote in order to approve the following decisions:

advanced winding-up of the company;

transfer of the domicile of the company outside of Argentina;

fundamental change in the purpose of the company;

total or partial mandatory repayment by the shareholders of the paid-in capital; and

a merger or a spin-off, when our company will not be the surviving company.

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Holders of common shares are entitled to one vote per share. Owners of common shares represented by GDRs exercise their voting rights through the GDR Depositary, who acts upon instructions received from such shareholders and, in the absence of instructions, votes in accordance with the instructions given to the GDR Depositary by the board of directors as set forth in a written notice delivered to the GDR Depositary prior to the meeting.

The holders of preferred stock are not entitled to voting rights. However, in the event that no dividends are paid to such holders for their preferred stock, the holders of preferred stock are entitled to voting rights. Holders of preferred stock are also entitled to vote on certain special matters, such as a transformation of the corporate type, early dissolution, change to a foreign domicile, fundamental change in the corporate purposes, total or partial replacement of capital losses, mergers in which our company is not the surviving entity, and spin-offs. The same exemption will apply in the event the preferred stock is traded on any stock exchange and such trading is suspended or canceled.

Limitations to own securities by non-resident or foreign shareholders

There are no legal limitations on ownership of securities or exercise of voting rights, by non-resident or foreign shareholders. However, foreign shareholders must fulfill certain requirements with the IGJ (*Inspección General de Justicia*) in order to assure that they will be able to properly exercise their voting rights. General Resolution No. 7 passed in September 2003 by the IGJ, and other related regulations set forth certain requirements for foreign entities registered with the IGJ. It provides, among other requirements, disclosure of information related to their proprietary interests in assets located outside Argentina to be at least equivalent in value to those located inside Argentina. The entities must comply with these requirements in order to (1) perform activities on a regular basis through their Argentine branches (Section 118 Argentine Corporate Law), or (2) exercise their ownership rights in Argentine Companies (Section 123 Argentine Corporate Law). In cases where the IGJ has concluded that the entities (a) do not have assets outside Argentina; or (b) have non-current assets that are not materially significant compared to those non-current assets which are owned by them and located in Argentina; or (c) the entity's address in Argentina becomes the place where this entity makes a majority of its decisions, corporate or otherwise, the entities may be required to amend and register their by-laws to comply with Argentine law, thereby becoming an Argentine entity subject to Argentine law according to Section 124 of Argentine Corporate Law. In addition, Argentine companies with shareholders consisting of such entities that fail to comply with these requirements may be subject to the following sanctions: (1) the IGJ may not register corporate decisions adopted by the Argentine Company when its off-shore shareholder votes as a shareholder and when that vote is essential in attaining a majority. Any decisions made pursuant to such vote related to the approval of its annual balance sheet may be declared null and void for administrative purposes; (2) whether or not the vote of the off-shore entity is necessary for purposes of determining quorum or majority, the IGJ may register the decision without considering that vote; and (3) the directors of the Argentine Company may be held personally liable for actions taken by the Argentine Company.

Ownership threshold above which ownership should be disclosed

Directors, senior managers, executive officers, members of the supervisory committee, and controlling shareholders of an Argentine company whose securities are publicly listed, should notify the CNV on a monthly basis, of their beneficial ownership of shares, debt securities, and call and put options related to securities of such companies and their controlling, controlled or affiliated companies.

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In addition, the CNV must be immediately notified of transactions which cause a person's holdings of capital stock of an Argentine company whose securities are publicly listed to hold 5% or more of the voting power and of every change in the holdings of such person that represents a multiple of 5% of the voting power. Holders of more than 50% of the common shares of a company or who otherwise have voting control of a company, as well as directors, officers and members of the supervisory committee, must provide the CNV with annual reports setting forth their holdings in the capital stock of such companies and monthly reports of any change in their holdings.

Amendments to our by-laws

On the shareholders' meeting held on October 10, 2007, our shareholders decided to amend the following sections of the by-laws: (i) Section Thirteen in order to adapt the performance bonds granted by directors to current rules and regulations, and (ii) Section Sixteen in order to incorporate the possibility of holding remote board meetings pursuant the provisions of section 65 of Decree 677/01.

C. Material Contracts

We do not have any material contract entered into outside the ordinary course of business other than some of the operations previously described under the sections Related Party Transactions, Recent Developments, and Our Indebtedness.

D. Exchange Controls

Currency Exchange Regulation

All foreign currency exchange transactions must be carried out in the free exchange market, in which the Argentine Central Bank participates by purchasing and selling foreign currency.

Import and Export of Capital

Import of Capital

Currently, there are no laws, executive orders or regulations nor any exchange controls in force in Argentina which limits the import of capital.

Pursuant to the Argentine Foreign Investment Law No. 21,382, and Decree No. 1,853/93, enacted in 1993, the purchase by foreign investors (any natural or legal person domiciled out of Argentina or an Argentine company of foreign capital) of capital participation in a company existing in Argentina (according to the Foreign Investment Act) shall constitute a foreign investment.

At present there are no restrictions on foreign investments in industries other than public broadcasting media, and no prior authorization is required to make foreign investments.

Therefore, no prior authorization is required in order to purchase our securities.

See Item 3: Key Information Exchange Rates

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Export of Capital, including the availability of cash or cash equivalents

From 1989 to December 3, 2001, there were no exchange controls restricting the peso-U.S. Dollar translation or the remittance of U.S. Dollars abroad. In compliance with the economic measures set forth by the Government by means of Decree No. 1570/01 dated December 3, 2001 and subsequent amendments thereto, aimed at protecting the integrity of the Argentine financial system, money could not be transferred abroad, unless expressly authorized by the Argentine Central Bank.

For purposes of accessing the funds deposited with financial institutions, clients were allowed to make electronic transfers between accounts of the same institution or others and in favor of the same holder or other persons; pay expenses by means of debit cards, checks, automatic debits and credit cards. Additionally, the Decree declared that new foreign currency deposits can only be received as time deposits, and no demand accounts denominated in foreign currency may be opened. Such restrictions were later relaxed and deposits of foreign currency in savings accounts (*cajas de ahorro*) by residents were allowed. Law No. 25,561 declared a public emergency in social, economic, administrative, financial and foreign exchange market matters, delegating to the Argentine executive branch until December 10, 2003, the powers to reorganize the financial, banking and foreign exchange system, reactivate the performance of the economy and improve the employment level and distribution of income, focusing on a program for the development of regional economies, creating the conditions for a sustainable economic growth, consistent with the public debt restructuring, and restructuring outstanding obligations affected by the new foreign exchange system. Such period was extended until December 31, 2006 by Law No. 26,077. Among other provisions, this law put an end to the convertibility system that had been in effect since April 1991, whereby pesos were convertible to U.S. Dollars at a rate of Ps. 1.0 per U.S Dollar.

As a consequence of the enactment of Decree 260/02, as of February 8, 2002 a single and free exchange market was implemented, through which all foreign currency exchange transactions are made. Exchange transactions are freely entered into by parties, but subject to the regulations and requirements set forth by the Central Bank. The Central Bank issued Communication A 3471, as amended, establishing restrictions or special requirements for exchange transactions. Lack of compliance with requirements and conditions shall result in the application of sanctions established by the Criminal Law Exchange Regime.

Such regulation has been modified several times and, therefore, only the most important provisions currently in force are mentioned below:

Argentine individuals and companies are authorized to buy up to US\$ 2,000,000 per month;

the sale of foreign currency to non-residents, with the exception of international organizations, in an aggregate monthly amount exceeding US\$ 5,000 shall also be previously authorized by the Central Bank, except when it is evidenced that the amounts used to purchase foreign currency (i) come from the payment of a resident to the non-resident which orders the transfer; and (ii) the payment is performed in relation to import, services, revenues or other commercial transfers for which the resident should have accessed to the exchange market in accordance to the exchange rules that regulated payments abroad to commercial account;

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foreign currency exchange or arbitrage transactions with financial institutions located abroad must be previously authorized by the Central Bank, except where such financial institutions are located in countries which are members of the Basel Committee and have an international credit rating not lower than A granted by international rating agencies registered with the Central Bank, or where such transactions are entered into with branches of Argentine official banks located abroad;

future operations in regulated markets, options or forwards transactions and any other type of derivatives entered into and cancelled in Argentina and settled in local currency are not subject to any restriction, provided, however, that: (i) such operations do not contemplate any payment or transfer obligation of a resident to a foreign country; (ii) any inflow of foreign currency into the local exchange market for the purposes of such an operation by a non resident who is party to such a transaction is subject to a non-transferable deposit denominated in U.S. Dollars for an amount equal to 30% of the relevant transaction for a period of 365 days in accordance to such further conditions as indicated bellow (the Non- Transferable Deposit); and (iii) transfer of foreign currency abroad by a non resident derived from such transactions involving an aggregate monthly amount exceeding US\$ 5,000 shall also be previously authorized by the Central Bank.

Communication A 4285 dated January 17, 2005, relaxed restrictions on foreign currency transactions by abrogating the requirement of prior approval of the Central Bank for the execution of certain future and forward operations and for the access to the foreign exchange market for their cancellation. These operations include: (i) transactions executed by the financial system for the acquisition of certain time deposits having variable retribution; (ii) agreements for the coverage of foreign currencies and interest rates, (iii) agreements executed by exporters or importers for the coverage of commodity prices, as long as they are related to Argentine foreign trade transactions; and (iv) the execution of external transactions in the form of Repos provided that they are executed for a term of at least 180 days. With the exception of inflows related to the external transactions in the form of Repos mentioned in (iv), any other inflow of foreign currency devoted to future or forward operations mentioned in (i) to (iii) is exempted from the obligation to constitute the Non- Transferable Deposit.

financial institutions must obtain prior authorization of the Central Bank in order to purchase any kind of asset, where the payment for such a transaction is made against delivery of foreign currency or any other kind of foreign denominated asset that is part of the General Exchange Position (Posición General de Cambios) (the GEP) of these financial institutions;

new imports of goods may be fully paid in advance, without consideration of the kind of good, as well as debts for imports with any maturity date;

access to the free and sole exchange market is allowed for payment of expired capital services originated in financial debts, except for financial entities subject to advance refinancings and rediscounts granted by the Central Bank and restructuring of its foreign debt (Decree No. 739/03 and Communication A 3940);

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non-residents may have access to the exchange market for purposes of transferring funds in foreign currency collected in Argentina, originated from the amortization installments from national public bonds issued in foreign currency, to accounts in foreign banks;

there are no restrictions to make payments abroad for services rendered by non-residents on any basis (freight, insurance, royalties, technical advise, fees, etc.);

transfers abroad for the payment of indebtedness of private entities (comprising both financial and non-financial institutions) and government owned entities; provided that they fulfill certain regulatory requirements among others such as (i) a sworn statement affirming the fulfillment of Communication A 3602 informative requirements; (ii) the possession of documents which evidence the genuineness of the operation being cancelled, i.e., the entry into the country of the finance proceed and/or its use to cancel the financial or commercial debt, etc.; (iii) the amounts to be transferred have been adjusted, as the case may be, in accordance to Decree 214/02 as amended; and (iv) the fact that the inflows have remained in the country for the legal minimum term (180 days until May 26, 2005 or 365 for funds entered into after that date) has been verified;

effective as of January 8, 2003, Argentine companies may freely transfer corporate profits and dividends corresponding to audited financial statements of local companies without prior Central Bank approval and transfers of funds abroad in order to pay reinsurance premiums will be subject only to the issuance of a statement from the regulatory authority on insurance matters Superintendencia de Seguros de la Nación (Superintendent of Insurance Board), with respect to the reason and amount to be transferred;

there is an obligation to enter the funds received as payment for the export of goods and services into the exchange market and to convert them into local currency within a time limit established by the Ministry of Economy and Production;

foreign currency obtained from the collection of exports corresponding to bills of lading shall be sold at the reference exchange rate when the foreign currency so obtained was not clear at the exchange market within the applicable legal terms, in accordance with applicable regulation.

before September 2005, inflows of foreign currency which would be applied to export advances and prefinancing were allowed into the local exchange market avoiding the non-transferable deposit requirement established by Decree No. 616/05, issued on June 10, 2005 by providing a sworn statement stating that foreign funds would be used for a specific purchase transaction entered into with the buyer. Subsequently, the BCRA by means of the Communication A 4415 substituted the sworn statement requirement with the exhibition of the shipping contract involved in said transaction. Later, on November 22, 2005 BCRA s Communication A 4443 relaxed this requirement exempting exporters from providing such documentary evidence if they proved that the inflow of funds would not exceed more than 25% of the amount they received during the last year for similar transactions.

The Government, through the Central Bank, holds control over capital inflows and outflows, enacting the applicable rules in this regard. Decree No. 616/05, issued on June 10,

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2005, established that inflows and outflows of foreign currency into the local exchange market, and indebtedness transactions incurred by local residents that may result in a foreign currency-denominated payment to non-residents, need to be registered with the Central Bank. Furthermore, as from May 26, 2005, the following situations will be subject to certain requirements and conditions: (a) inflows of funds derived from foreign borrowing by the private financial and non financial sector, and (b) inflows of foreign currency by non-residents for the purpose of (i) holding a position in local currency, (ii) purchasing financial debt or assets and (iii) investing in government bonds in the secondary market. In these situations, the following requirements must be met: (i) inflows must remain in Argentina for 365 days to be computed as from the day they were negotiated in the local exchange market; (ii) the funds involved in the transactions covered by this decree must be deposited in a local bank account; (iii) a non-transferable deposit denominated in U.S. Dollars for an amount equal to 30% of the relevant transaction has to be made with the resulting proceeds. This deposit will only be reimbursed after the expiration of a 365 term, cannot bear interest (nor yield any other type of profit) and may not be used as collateral in any credit transaction. Such requirements do not apply to: (a) foreign direct investment, (b) primary placement of publicly traded debt or equity securities listed in one or more exchange markets, and (c) foreign trade and export finance debt related transactions.

Subsequently, Resolution No. 365/2005 from the Ministry of Economy and Production established that non-resident capital inflows destined for the primary subscription of Argentine Central Bank notes and income derived from the sale by residents of foreign assets for an amount greater than US\$ 2 million per month, will also be subject to the aforementioned requirements.

Moreover, said resolution provided certain exemptions to the requirement of making the non-transferable deposit requirement such as: (i) inflows derived from borrowings extended by multilateral and bilateral financial institutions and official credit agencies, and (ii) inflows derived from financial borrowings extended by foreign creditors, so long as they are devoted to investments in non-financial assets and the borrowed amounts are repaid at least 24 months after they were granted.

In that sense, non-financial assets include:

- (i) investments recorded in the category PP&E of the financial statements (Notice 42303);
- (ii) intangible assets related to mine cost and/or research, prospection and exploration expenses (Notice 42884);
- (iii) acquisition of rights to use that had been recorded for accounting purposes in the category intangible assets of the company's financial statements (Notice 44670); and
- (iv) investments in assets that are comparable to intellectual property rights, which are commercialized through the assignment of rights to use and should be recorded for accounting purposes in the category intangible assets of the company's financial statements (Notice 46394).

This exemption automatically expires when the reported use is modified. In that case, the deposit established in item 6 of Communication A 4359 must be made within 10 business days of such event.

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Communications A 4554 and A 4711, both dated September 24, 2007, established certain requirements and terms to file the documentation evidencing the correct classification of the transaction under the above mentioned exemption.

By contrast, according to Communication C 43075 dated September 26, 2005, inflows of foreign currency caused by a non-resident and devoted to the cancellation of payment obligations under a purchase agreement (including installment payments thereof) concerning a real estate property under construction may be registered as foreign direct investments provided that certain conditions are met.

Finally, Resolution No. 637/2005 from the Ministry of Economy and Production dated November 16, 2005 established that any inflow of foreign currency to the local exchange market devoted to the primary subscription of notes, bonds or participation certificates issued by the trustee of a trust, regardless of the channels in which they are traded (public or private offerings, or listings in self-regulated markets) is subject to the non-transferable deposit requirement established by Decree 616/05 if such requirement would be deemed applicable to the acquisition of the underlying assets of the trust.

Reporting requirements on Direct Investments

On March 4, 2005 the Argentine Central Bank issued Communication A 4305 that regulates the reporting system of direct investments and real estate investments carried out by non-residents in Argentina and by Argentine residents abroad, which had been implemented through Communication A 4237 dated November 10, 2004.

Direct investments in Argentina of non-Argentine residents

Non-Argentine residents are compelled to comply with the reporting regime if the value of their investments in Argentina reaches or surpasses the equivalent of US\$ 500,000 measured in terms of the net worth of the company in which they participate or fiscal value of the real estate owned. If the investments do not reach such amount, the compliance with such regime is optional.

According to Communication A 4237, companies in which non-Argentine residents participate in and administrators of real estate pertaining to non-Argentine residents are those obliged to comply with the reporting regime.

Direct investments made abroad by Argentine residents

Argentine investors are compelled to comply with the reporting regime if the value of their investments abroad reaches or surpasses the equivalent of US\$ 1,000,000 measured in terms of net worth of the company in which they participate or the fiscal value of the real estate they own.

If the value of those investments abroad does not exceed the equivalent of US\$ 5,000,000, the declaration could be carried out annually instead of semiannually. If the investments do not reach the equivalent of US\$ 1,000,000, the compliance with such regime is optional.

The first declarations will correspond to the semester ended on December 31, 2004, and will have to be filed within 90 calendar days as of such date.

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Conclusions:

While the foreign exchange market system in Argentina has become increasingly flexible under recent regulations, Decree No. 616/05 severely deters short term inflows of foreign currency which are presumed to be of a speculative nature. Such determination on the part of the government is associated also to another short term economic policy goal and combined measures aimed at pegging or reasonably adjusting the United States Dollar value around Ps. 3.10 per U.S. Dollar. We cannot assess whether these policies will be maintained in the longer run and how changes made therein may affect the economy and our business perspectives. Furthermore, we cannot predict how changes in the evolution of the world economy and commodity prices which constitutes an important part of Argentina's exports may influence exchange rates and control policies. Moreover, failure of the government to comply with financial commitments with the IMF or failure to reach an agreement with said institution may have an impact on the foreign exchange system. No assurance can be made as to the extent to which all such factors may lead to future restrictions that might further tighten foreign exchange controls or otherwise change the current foreign exchange system.

Money Laundering

Argentine Law No. 25,246, as amended, categorizes money laundering as a crime, which is defined as the exchange, transfer, management, sale or any other use of money or other assets obtained through a crime, by a person who did not take part in such original crime, with the potential result that such original assets (or new assets resulting from such original assets) have the appearance of having been obtained through legitimate means, provided that the aggregate value of the assets involved exceeded in the aggregate (through one or more related transactions) \$50,000.

The money laundering legal framework in Argentina also assigns information and control duties to certain private sector entities, such as banks, agents, stock exchanges, insurance companies, according to the regulations of the Financial Information Unit, and for financial entities, the Central Bank. These regulations apply to many Argentine companies, including us. These obligations consist mainly of maintaining internal policies and procedures aimed at money laundering prevention and financing of terrorism, especially through the application of the policy know your client .

On May 8, 2005, the CNV enacted Resolution No. 554 which establishes that broker-dealers and other intermediaries that are subject to its supervision can only take part in securities transactions if they are ordered or executed by parties that are registered or domiciled in jurisdictions that are not included in the list of tax heavens included in Decree No 1344/98. Furthermore, the Resolution provides that securities transactions made by parties registered or domiciled in jurisdictions that are not included in such list, but that act as intermediaries of securities markets under the supervision of an agency similar to the CNV, are allowed only if such agency has signed a memorandum of mutual understanding with the CNV. Regarding the listed companies under the supervision of the CNV, the Resolution No. 554 states that they shall identify any entity or individual (whether or not a shareholder at that time), that makes a capital contribution or a significant loan, and comply with the same obligations established in the previous paragraph for the brokers-dealers and other intermediaries.

In connection with Resolution No. 554, the Central Bank issued *Comunicación A 4940*, as amended, which rules that non-residents of Argentina must obtain the prior approval of the Central Bank in order to purchase foreign currency in the exchange market to repatriate investments when the beneficiary of such repatriation is an individual or an entity registered or domiciled in a jurisdiction listed as a tax heaven in Decree No 1344/98.

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E. Taxation

United States Taxation

The following summary describes certain United States federal income tax consequences of the ownership of common shares and GDSs by U.S. Holders (as defined below) as of the date hereof. Except where noted, it deals only with U.S. Holders that hold common shares or GDSs as capital assets. This summary does not represent a detailed description of the United States federal income tax consequences applicable to U.S. Holders that are subject to special treatment under the United States federal income tax laws, such as dealers in securities or currencies, financial institutions, regulated investment companies, real estate investment trusts, tax-exempt entities, insurance companies, traders in securities that elect to use the mark-to-market method of accounting for their securities, persons holding common shares or GDSs as part of a hedging, integrated, conversion or constructive sale transaction or a straddle, persons owning (or being deemed to own) 10% or more of our voting stock, persons liable for alternative minimum tax, investors in pass-through entities or persons whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar.

As used herein, the term "U.S. Holder" means a beneficial holder of common shares or GDSs that is for United States federal income tax purposes:

an individual citizen or resident of the United States;

a corporation (or other entity treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia;

an estate the income of which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of its source; or

a trust if it (1) is subject to the primary supervision of a court within the United States and one or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (2) has a valid election in effect under applicable United States Treasury regulations to be treated as a United States person.

The discussion below is based upon the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and regulations, rulings and judicial decisions thereunder as of the date hereof, and such authorities may be repealed, revoked or modified so as to result in United States federal income tax consequences different from those discussed below. In addition, this summary is based, in part, upon representations made by the GDS depository to us and assumes that the deposit agreement, and all other related agreements, will be performed in accordance with their terms.

PERSONS CONSIDERING THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP OR DISPOSITION OF OUR COMMON SHARES OR GDSS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISORS CONCERNING THE UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES IN LIGHT OF THEIR PARTICULAR SITUATIONS AS WELL AS ANY CONSEQUENCES ARISING UNDER THE LAWS OF ANY OTHER TAXING JURISDICTION.

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If a partnership holds common shares or GDSs, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. U.S. Holders that are partners of a partnership holding common shares or GDSs should consult their own tax advisors.

GDSs

If you hold GDSs, for United States federal income tax purposes, you generally will be treated as the owner of the underlying common shares that are represented by such GDSs. Accordingly, deposits or withdrawals of common shares for GDSs by U.S. Holders will not be subject to United States federal income tax.

The United States Treasury has expressed concerns that intermediaries in the chain of ownership between holders of GDSs and the issuer of the securities underlying the GDSs may be taking actions that are inconsistent with the claiming of foreign tax credits by holders of GDSs. Such actions would also be inconsistent with the claiming of the reduced rate of tax, described below, applicable to dividends received by certain non-corporate holders. Accordingly, the analysis of the creditability of Argentinean taxes and the availability of the reduced rate of tax for dividends received by certain non-corporate U.S. Holders, each as described below, could be affected by actions taken by intermediaries in the chain of ownership between the holder of an GDS and our company.

Distributions on Common Shares or GDSs

Subject to the discussion under *Passive Foreign Investment Company* below, the gross amount of distributions on our common shares or GDSs (including amounts withheld to reflect Argentinean withholding taxes, if any) will be taxable as dividends to the extent paid out of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under United States federal income tax principles. Such dividends will be includable in your gross income as ordinary income on the day actually or constructively received by you, in the case of our common shares, or by the depository, in the case of our GDSs. Such dividends will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction allowed to corporations.

With respect to United States non-corporate investors, certain dividends received before January 1, 2011 from a qualified foreign corporation may be subject to reduced rates of taxation. A foreign corporation is treated as a qualified foreign corporation with respect to dividends received from that corporation on common shares (or GDSs backed by such common shares) that are readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States. United States Treasury Department guidance indicates that our GDSs (which are listed on the NYSE), but not our common shares, are readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States. Thus, we do not believe that dividends that we pay on our common shares that do not underlie GDSs currently meet the conditions required for these reduced tax rates. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that our GDSs will be considered readily tradable on an established securities market in later years. Non-corporate holders that do not meet a minimum holding period requirement during which they are not protected from the risk of loss or that elect to treat the dividend income as investment income pursuant to Section 163(d)(4) of the Code will not be eligible for the reduced rates of taxation regardless of our status as a qualified foreign corporation. In addition, the rate reduction will not apply to dividends if the recipient of a dividend is obligated to make related payments with respect to positions in substantially similar or related property. This disallowance applies even if the minimum holding period has been met. Non-corporate U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the application of these rules given their particular circumstances.

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The amount of any dividend paid in Pesos will equal the U.S. dollar value of the Pesos received calculated by reference to the exchange rate in effect on the date the dividend is actually or constructively received by you, in the case of our common shares, or by the depositary, in the case of our GDSs, regardless of whether the Pesos are converted into U.S. dollars. If the Pesos received as a dividend are not converted into U.S. dollars on the date of receipt, you will have a tax basis in the Pesos equal to their U.S. dollar value on the date of receipt. Any gain or loss realized on a subsequent conversion or other disposition of the Pesos will be treated as United States source ordinary income or loss.

Subject to certain complex conditions and limitations, Argentinean withholding taxes on dividends, if any, may be treated as foreign taxes eligible for credit against your United States federal income tax liability. For purposes of calculating the foreign tax credit, dividends paid on our common shares or GDSs will be treated as income from sources outside the United States and will generally constitute passive category income. If you do not elect to claim a credit for any foreign taxes paid during a taxable year, you may instead claim a deduction in respect of such foreign taxes. Further, in certain circumstances, if you:

have held our common shares or GDSs for less than a specified minimum period during which you are not protected from risk of loss, or

are obligated to make payments related to the dividends,

You will not be allowed a foreign tax credit for foreign taxes imposed on dividends paid on our common shares or GDSs. The rules governing the foreign tax credit are complex. You are urged to consult your tax advisors regarding the availability of the foreign tax credit under your particular circumstances.

To the extent that the amount of any distribution (including amounts withheld to reflect Argentinean withholding taxes) exceeds our current and accumulated earnings and profits for a taxable year, as determined under United States federal income tax principles, the distribution will first be treated as a tax-free return of capital, causing a reduction in the adjusted basis of our common shares or GDSs (thereby increasing the amount of gain, or decreasing the amount of loss, to be recognized by you on a subsequent disposition of our common shares or GDSs), and thereafter as capital gain recognized on a sale or exchange (as discussed below under *Taxation of Capital Gains*). Consequently, such distributions in excess of our current and accumulated earnings and profits would generally not give rise to foreign source income and you would generally not be able to use the foreign tax credit arising from any Argentinean withholding tax imposed on such distributions unless such credit can be applied (subject to applicable limitations) against United States federal income tax due on other foreign source income in the appropriate category for foreign tax credit purposes. However, we do not expect to keep earnings and profits in accordance with United States federal income tax principles. Therefore, you should expect that a distribution will generally be treated as a dividend (as discussed above).

Distributions of our common shares that are received as part of a pro rata distribution to all of our shareholders generally will not be subject to United States federal income taxes.

Passive Foreign Investment Company

Based on the current and projected composition of our income and the valuation of our assets, including goodwill, we do not believe we were a passive foreign investment company (PFIC) for United States federal income tax purposes for the taxable year ending June 30, 2009,

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and we do not currently expect to become a PFIC, although there can be no assurance in this regard. The determination of whether we are a PFIC is made annually. Accordingly, it is possible that we may be a PFIC in the current or any future taxable year due to changes in our asset or income composition or if our projections are not accurate. The volatility and instability of Argentina's economic and financial system may substantially affect the composition of our income and assets and the accuracy of our projections. In addition, this determination is based on the interpretation of certain U.S. Treasury regulations relating to rental income, which regulations are potentially subject to differing interpretation.

In general, we will be a PFIC for any taxable year in which:

at least 75% of our gross income is passive income; or

at least 50% of the value (determined based on a quarterly average) of our assets is attributable to assets that produce or are held for the production of passive income.

For this purpose, cash is a passive asset and passive income generally includes dividends, interest, royalties, and rents (other than royalties and rents derived in the active conduct of a trade or business and not derived from a related person). If we own at least 25% by value of the stock of another corporation, we will be treated, for purposes of the PFIC tests, as owning our proportionate share of that other corporation's assets and receiving our proportionate share of its income. If we are a PFIC for any taxable year during which you hold our common shares or GDSs, you will be subject to special tax rules discussed below.

If we are a PFIC for any taxable year during which you hold our common shares or GDSs, you will be subject to special tax rules with respect to any excess distributions received and any gain realized from a sale or other disposition, including a pledge, of such common shares or GDSs. Distributions received in a taxable year that are greater than 125% of the average annual distributions received during the shorter of the three preceding taxable years or your holding period for the common shares or GDSs will be treated as excess distributions. Under these special tax rules:

the excess distribution or gain will be allocated ratably over your holding period for the common shares or GDSs;

the amount allocated to the current taxable year, and any taxable year prior to the first taxable year in which we become a PFIC, will be treated as ordinary income; and

the amount allocated to each other year will be subject to tax at the highest tax rate in effect for that year and the interest charge generally applicable to underpayments of tax will be imposed on the resulting tax attributable to each such year.

If we are a PFIC for any taxable year during which you hold our common shares or GDSs and any of our non-United States subsidiaries is also a PFIC, a U.S. Holder would be treated as owning a proportionate amount (by value) of the common shares of the lower tier PFIC for purposes of the application of these rules. You are urged to consult your tax advisors about the application of the PFIC rules to any of our subsidiaries.

In addition, non-corporate U.S. Holders will not be eligible for reduced rates of taxation on any dividends received from us prior to January 1, 2011, if we are a PFIC in the taxable year in

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which such dividends are paid or in the preceding taxable year. You will be required to file Internal Revenue Service Form 8621 if you hold our common shares or GDSs in any year in which we are classified as a PFIC.

In certain circumstances, in lieu of being subject to the excess distribution rules discussed above, you may make an election to include gain on our common shares and GDSs as ordinary income under a mark-to-market method, provided that our common shares or GDSs are regularly traded on a qualified exchange. Under current law, the mark-to-market election is only available for stock traded on certain designated United States exchanges and foreign exchanges which meet certain trading, listing, financial disclosure and other requirements to be treated as a qualified exchange under applicable United States Treasury regulations. Our common shares are listed on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, which must meet the trading, listing, financial disclosure and other requirements under applicable United States Treasury regulations for purposes of the mark-to-market election, and no assurance can be given that the common shares are or will be regularly traded for purposes of the mark-to-market election. Our GDSs are currently listed on the NYSE, which constitutes a qualified exchange under the United States Treasury regulations, although there can be no assurance that the GDSs are or will be regularly traded.

If you make an effective mark-to-market election, you will include in ordinary income each year the excess of the fair market value of our common shares or GDSs at the end of the year over your adjusted tax basis in our common shares or GDSs. You will be entitled to deduct as an ordinary loss each year the excess of your adjusted tax basis in our common shares or GDSs over their fair market value at the end of the year, but only to the extent of the net amount previously included in income as a result of the mark-to-market election.

Your adjusted tax basis in our common shares or GDSs will be increased by the amount of any income inclusion and decreased by the amount of any deductions under the mark-to-market rules. If you make a mark-to-market election, it will be effective for the taxable year for which the election is made and all subsequent taxable years unless our common shares or GDSs are no longer regularly traded on a qualified exchange or the Internal Revenue Service consents to the revocation of the election. You are urged to consult your tax advisors about the availability of the mark-to-market election, and whether making the election would be advisable in your particular circumstances.

In some cases, holders of common shares or GDSs in a PFIC may be able to avoid the rules described above by electing to treat the PFIC as a qualified electing fund under Section 1295 of the Code. This option will not be available to you because we do not intend to comply with certain calculation and reporting requirements necessary to permit you to make this election.

You are urged to consult your tax advisors concerning the United States federal income tax consequences of holding our common shares or GDSs if we are considered a PFIC in any taxable year.

Taxation of Capital Gains

Subject to the discussion under *Passive Foreign Investment Company* above, for United States federal income tax purposes, you will generally recognize gain or loss on any sale, exchange, redemption or other taxable disposition of our common shares or GDSs in an amount equal to the difference between the U.S. dollar value of the amount realized for the common shares or GDSs and your tax basis in the common shares or GDSs determined in U.S. dollars. Such gain or loss will generally be treated as capital gain or loss. Capital gains of non-corporate

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U.S. Holders derived with respect to capital assets held for more than one year are eligible for reduced rates of taxation. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations under the Code. Any gain or loss recognized by you will generally be treated as United States source gain or loss for United States foreign tax credit purposes. Consequently, you may not be able to use the foreign tax credit arising from any Argentinean tax imposed on the disposition of our common shares or GDSs unless such credit can be applied (subject to applicable limitations) against tax due on other income treated as derived from foreign sources.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

In general, information reporting will apply to dividends in respect of our common shares or GDSs and the proceeds from the sale, exchange or redemption of our common shares or GDSs that are paid to you within the United States (and in certain cases, outside the United States), unless you are an exempt recipient such as a corporation. A backup withholding tax may apply to such payments if you fail to provide a correct taxpayer identification number or certification of other exempt status or fail to report in full dividend and interest income.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a refund or a credit against your United States federal income tax liability provided the required information is timely furnished to the Internal Revenue Service.

Argentine Taxation

The following discussion is a summary of certain Argentine tax considerations associated with an investment in, ownership or disposition of, the shares or the GDSs by (i) an individual holder that is resident in Argentina, (ii) an individual holder that is neither domiciled nor resident in Argentina, (iii) a legal entity organized under the laws of Argentina (iv) a permanent business establishment in Argentina owned by a foreign entity and (v) a legal entity that is not organized under the laws of Argentina, that does not have a permanent establishment in Argentina and is not otherwise doing business in Argentina on a regular basis. The discussion is for general information only and is based on current Argentine tax laws. Moreover, while this summary is considered to be a correct interpretation of existing laws in force as of the date of this 20-F Form, no assurance can be given that the courts or administrative authorities responsible for the administration of such laws will agree with this interpretation or that changes in such laws or interpretations will not occur.

PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS ARE URGED TO CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISOR REGARDING THE PARTICULAR TAX CONSEQUENCES ARISING UNDER ANY TAXING JURISDICTION.

Taxation of Dividends

Dividends, either in cash, shares or kind approved by our shareholders are currently exempt from Argentine withholding or other taxes.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, according to Argentine law, income tax will be applied to the amount of dividends distributed in excess of a company's net taxable income determined in accordance with general income tax regulations for the fiscal years preceding the date of the distribution of such dividends. The legislation requires that companies withhold 35% of the amount of distributed dividends in excess of the net taxable income of such distribution, as

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determined in accordance with the income tax law. The withholding would not be applied to the payment of future dividends derived out of retained earnings obtained in the fiscal years ended prior to December 30, 1998. Dividends distributed by an Argentine company are not subject to this tax to the extent that those dividends arise from dividend income or other distributions received by such company from other Argentine companies.

Taxation of Capital Gains

Due to certain amendments made to the Argentine Income Tax Law, it is not entirely clear whether certain amendments concerning payment of income tax on capital gains arising from the sale, exchange or other disposition of shares are in effect or not. Although Opinion No. 351 of the National Treasury General Attorney Office clarified the legal status of certain matters affecting the tax treatment of capital gains certain issues still remain unclear.

Resident individuals

Under what we believe to be a reasonable interpretation of existing applicable tax laws and regulations: (i) income derived from the sale, exchange or other disposition of shares or GDSs by resident individuals who do not sell or dispose of Argentine shares on a regular basis would not be subject to Argentine income tax, and (ii) although there still exists uncertainty regarding this issue, income derived from the sale, exchange or other disposition of shares or GDSs by resident individuals who sell or disposes of Argentine shares on a regular basis should be exempt from Argentine income tax.

Foreign beneficiaries

Capital gains obtained by non residents or foreign entities from the sale, exchange or other disposition of shares or GDSs are exempt from income tax. Pursuant to a reasonable interpretation of existing applicable laws and regulations, and although the matter is not completely free from doubt, such treatment should also apply to those foreign beneficiaries that qualify as offshore entities for Argentine tax law purposes, when the shares are not listed in Argentina or in other jurisdictions. For this purpose, an offshore entity is any foreign legal entity which pursuant to its by-laws or to the applicable regulatory framework: (i) its principal activity is to invest outside the jurisdiction of its incorporation and/or (ii) cannot perform in such jurisdiction certain transactions.

Local entities

Capital gains obtained by Argentine entities (generally entities organized or incorporated under Argentine law, certain traders and intermediaries, local branches of non Argentine entities, sole proprietorships and individuals carrying on certain commercial activities in Argentina) derived from the sale, exchange or other disposition of shares or GDSs are subject to income tax at the rate of 35%.

Losses arising from the sale, exchange or other disposition of shares or GDSs can be applied only to offset such capital gains arising from the sale, exchange or other disposition of these securities.

WE RECOMMEND PROSPECTIVE INVESTORS TO CONSULT THEIR OWN TAX ADVISOR REGARDING THE PARTICULAR TAX CONSEQUENCES CONCERNING THE SALE OR OTHER DISPOSITIONS OF SHARES AND GDSs.

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Value Added Tax

The sale, exchange, disposition, or transfer of shares or GDSs is not subject to Value Added Tax.

Personal Assets Tax

Law No. 25,585 issued on April 24, 2002 and published in the Official Gazette on May 15, 2002 (and applicable to personal assets held as of December 31, 2002) introduces amendments to Law No. 23,966 and imposes the personal assets tax on shares and GDSs held by individuals and undivided estates domiciled or located in Argentina or abroad and legal entities not domiciled in Argentina, separately from other assets.

This amendment imposes the obligation to pay the personal assets tax on the Argentine private issuer of the shares and GDSs, and authorizes it to seek recovery of the amount so paid, without limitation, by way of withholding or by foreclosing on the assets that gave rise to such payment. The tax is levied on the proportional equity value of the shares as reflected in the most recent balance sheet closed as of December 31 of the taxable year, at the rate of 0.5% without any non-taxable minimum being applicable.

Our shareholders approved the absorption of personal asset tax by the Company for the years 2002 to 2009. There can be no assurance that in the future this tax will be absorbed by the Company.

Tax on Minimum Notional Income (Impuesto a la Ganancia Mínima Presunta, IGMP)

Companies domiciled in Argentina, partnerships, foundations, sole proprietorships, trusts, certain mutual funds organized in Argentina, and permanent business establishments owned by foreign persons, among other taxpayers, shall apply a 1% rate to the total value of assets held by such persons, above an aggregate nominal amount of Ps. 200,000. Nevertheless, shares and GDSs issued by entities subject to such tax are exempt from paying the IGMP.

Gross Income Tax

The gross income tax is a local tax; therefore, the rules of the relevant provincial jurisdiction should be considered, which may levy this tax on the customary purchase and sale, exchange or other disposition of shares and GDSs, and/or the collection of dividends at an average rate of 3%, unless an exemption is applicable. In the particular case of the City of Buenos Aires, any transaction involving shares and/or the collection of dividends and revaluations is exempt from this tax.

There is no gross income tax withholding system applicable to the payments made to foreign beneficiaries.

Stamp Tax

The stamp tax is a local tax that is generally levied on the instrumentation of onerous acts executed within a certain territorial jurisdiction or outside a certain territorial jurisdiction but with effects in such jurisdiction; therefore, the rules of the relevant provincial jurisdiction should be considered for the issuance of instruments which implement onerous transactions (including issuance, subscription, placement and transfer) involving the shares or GDSs, executed in those jurisdictions, or with effects in those jurisdictions, could be deemed to be subject to this tax.

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Notwithstanding, for the City of Buenos Aires, any instrument related to the transfer of shares which public offering is authorized by CNV is exempt from this tax.

Tax on Credits and Debits in Bank Accounts

This tax is levied upon debits and credits in bank accounts and upon other transactions which, due to their special nature and characteristics, are similar or could be used in substitution for a checking account, such as payments on behalf of or in the name of third parties, procedures for the collection of securities or documents, drafts and transfers of funds made by any means, when these transactions are performed by local banks.

The tax law and its regulations provide several exemptions to this tax. For example, it does not apply to entities recognized as exempt from income tax, to debits and credits relating to salaries, to retirement and pension emoluments credited directly by banking means and withdrawals made in connection with such credits, to credits in checking accounts originated from bank loans, and to transfers of checks by endorsement.

The general rate of the tax is 0.6%. An increased rate of 1.2% applies in cases in which there has been a substitution for the use of a checking account.

Pursuant to Argentine Regulatory Decree 380/2001, as amended, 34% of the tax paid on credits levied at the 0.6% rate and 17% of the tax paid on transactions levied at the 1.2% tax rate can be used, to its exhaustion, as a credit against income tax, tax on minimum notional income and/or the special contribution on cooperatives capital.

Court and Other Taxes

In the event that it becomes necessary to institute legal actions in relation to the shares or GDSs in Argentina, a court tax (currently at a rate of 3.0%) will be imposed on the amount of any claim brought before the Argentine courts sitting in the City of Buenos Aires.

Argentina imposes neither an estate nor gift tax on a decedent, donor, legatee or donee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Law No. 14.044 of Buenos Aires Province, issued on September 23, 2009 and published in the Official Gazette on October 16, 2009, imposes an estate and gift tax on a legatee or donee domiciled in Buenos Aires Province or over rights and goods located in this jurisdiction. This tax will be applicable since January 1, 2010 and has not been regulated by any fiscal authority yet.

No Argentine tax is imposed on the deposit or withdrawal of shares in exchange for GDSs. Other than the taxes discussed above, no other Argentine taxes are applicable to an investment in shares or GDSs. At present, there is no national tax specifically applicable to the transfer of securities.

Tax Treaties

Argentina has entered into tax treaties with several countries. There is currently no tax treaty or convention in effect between Argentina and the United States.

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F. Dividends and Paying Agents

This Section is not applicable.

G. Statement by Experts

This section is not applicable.

H. Documents on display

We file annual, quarterly and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any document that we file at the public reference rooms of the SEC at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549; and 500 West Madison Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Rooms by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. Our Internet address is <http://www.irsa.com.ar>. It should be noted that nothing on our website should be considered part of this Annual Report. You may request a copy of these filings at no cost, by writing or calling the offices of IRSA, Moreno 877, (C1091AAQ) Buenos Aires, Argentina. Our telephone number is +54-11-4323-7400.

I. Subsidiary Information

This section is not applicable.

Item 11. Quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk

In the normal course of business, we are exposed to interest rate and exchange rate risks, primarily related to changes in exchanges and interest rates. We manage our exposure to these risks through the use of various financial instruments, none of which are entered into for trading purposes. We have established policies and procedures governing the use of such financial instruments. The use of financial derivative instruments is oriented to our core business and is supervised by internal control policies.

The following discusses our exposure to these risks. This discussion contains forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties. Actual results could vary materially as a result of a number of factors including those set forth in the risk factors section of this Form 20-F. Uncertainties that are either nonfinancial or nonquantifiable, such as political, economic, tax, other regulatory, or credit risks, are not included in the following assessment of our market risks.

Interest Rate Risk

The primary objective of our investment activities is to preserve capital while maximizing yields without significantly increasing risk. To achieve this objective, we maintain our portfolio of cash equivalents and short-term investments in a variety of securities, including both government and corporate obligations and money market funds.

Investments in both fixed rate and floating rate instruments carry varying degrees of interest rate risk. Fixed rate securities may have their fair market value adversely impacted due to a rise in interest rates. In general, longer dated securities are subject to greater interest rate risk than shorter dated securities. While floating rate securities are generally subject to less interest rate risk than fixed rate securities, floating rate securities may produce less income than expected

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if interest rates decrease. Due in part to these factors, our investment income may fall short of expectations or we may suffer losses in principal if securities that have declined in market value due to changes in interest rates are sold. To date, we have not utilized derivative financial instruments to hedge interest rate risk; however, there can be no assurance as to the employment of hedging strategies in the future.

As of June 30, 2009 we had cash and cash equivalents of Ps. 335.2 million. In view of the nature of our total portfolio, an immediate 100 BPs parallel shift change in the interest rate curve would not have a significant impact on the value of our investment portfolio, its value tends to drop by Ps. 0.2 millions per 100 BPS of increase in interest rate levels.

We are also exposed to changes in interest rates primarily as a result of our borrowing activities, which include short-term borrowings, and other floating-rate long-term debt used to maintain liquidity and fund our business operations.

Foreign Exchange Risk

Foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations could impact our cash flow in Pesos, since some of our products and inputs are payable in U.S. Dollars.

Foreign currency exchange restrictions imposed by the Argentine government in the future could prevent or restrict our access to U.S. Dollars, thus affecting our ability to service our U.S. Dollar-denominated liabilities. Also, fluctuations in the exchange rate between the Peso and the U.S. Dollar may adversely affect the U.S. Dollar equivalent of the Peso price of our common shares on the Buenos Aires Stock Exchange, and as a result would likely affect the market price of our GDSs in the United States.

Our Indebtedness

As of June 30, 2009

Expected contractual maturity date

(U.S.\$ Equivalent in million)

	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	Thereafter	Total	Fair Value (3)
Fixed rate Debt (US\$)								
Principal Payment and accrued interest(1)	5,2					150	155,2	108,4
Average Interest Rate	8.5%	8.5%	8.5%	8.5%	8.5%	8.5%		
Principal Payment and accrued interest(2)	7,8	6,7	6,7	6,7			27,9	27,9
Average Interest Rate	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%		

(1) It includes accrued interest

(2) It corresponds to the Note due 2017

(3) Dollar-denominated bank loan.

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APSA's Indebtedness

As of June 30, 2009

Expected contractual maturity date

(U.S\$. Equivalent in million) (5)

Significant liabilities	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	Thereafter	Total	Fair Value (6)
Fixed rate Debt (US\$)								
Principal Payment and accrued interest(1)	2.1				47.2		49.3	214.0
Average Interest Rate	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%			
Fixed rate Debt (US\$)								
Principal Payment and accrued interest(2)(7)	1.31					120.0	121.3	81.1
Average Interest Rate	7.875%							