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*Hypo Real Estate Group preparing on basis of declaration of intent by Sonderfonds Finanzmarktstabilisierung ('SoFFin') to acquire a stake in the share capital of Hypo Real Estate Group the consolidated financial statements for 2008

*Unaudited consolidated pre-tax loss: EUR 5.375 billion

*Special effects and one-off effects with considerable negative impact on results

Frankfurt/Munich, 28 March 2009: Hypo Real Estate Holding AG

The German Financial Markets Stabilisation Fund (SoFFin) intends to take action to stabilise Hypo Real Estate Group, in the interest of stabilising the financial markets; specifically, SoFFin will implement measures to achieve a sufficient recapitalisation of Hypo Real Estate Holding AG, and will extend further guarantees. This was confirmed today by SoFFin in a declaration of intent issued to Hypo Real Estate Holding AG and Hypo Real Estate Bank AG.

This declaration of intent issued by the SoFFin enables the management boards of the companies in the Hypo Real Estate Group to make a positive going-concern assumption and to prepare the consolidated financial statements for 2008 on this basis. Hypo Real Estate Holding AG published the key figures for financial 2008 on 28 March 2009 (before audit by the

auditor). Accordingly, the pre-tax loss is EUR 5.375 billion, compared with a pre-tax profit of EUR 862 million in the previous year (all figures for 2007 on a pro-forma basis, incl. DEPPFA Bank plc and its subsidiaries (DEPPFA)). The net income is reported as EUR -5.461 billion. This result very much reflects the difficult situation on the capital and financing markets.

The loss is partially attributable to impairments on goodwill and intangible assets resulting from the first consolidation of DEPPFA totalling EUR 2.482 billion. The situation was exacerbated by numerous special effects and one-off effects.

For at least the next two years a loss situation can be anticipated. The medium-term strategic prospects are considered positive.

Group development 2008:

*Operating revenues (the sum of net interest income and similar income, net commission income, net trading income, net income from financial investments, net income from hedge relationships and the balance of other operating income/expenses) were negative (EUR -585 million), and were accordingly considerably lower than the figure for the corresponding previous year period (2007: EUR 1.463 billion). This decline is mainly attributable to the sharply lower net commission income and the clearly negative net trading income and net income from financial investments.

*Net interest income and similar income increased from EUR 1.471 billion in the corresponding previous year period to EUR 1.633 billion. Net interest income was influenced by numerous factors: The non-payment and devaluation of some instruments of subordinated capital led to income of EUR 353 million. Also making a positive impact were: the infrastructure finance portfolio which showed an average increase for the year, the drawn liquidity lines by customers of DEPPFA, the net interest income of the securities which were reclassified out of 'trading' into 'loans and receivables' (LaR) and high interest income in the money market field. These were opposed by negative effects: Firstly, net interest income comprised considerably lower one-off income from sales of receivables, early repayment penalties as well as redemptions and repurchasing of financial liabilities than was the case in the previous year. Secondly, net interest income is significantly depressed by the costs of the liquidity support which has been provided.

*Net commission income fell appreciably to EUR 32 million (2007: EUR 234 million). This decline is attributable to the lower level of new business in commercial real estate financing, lower income from asset management, lower income from new business with customer derivatives and expenses following the liquidity support which has been provided.

*Net trading income declined to EUR -1.009 billion (2007: EUR -274 million). A valuation change of EUR -395 million was recorded in relation to synthetic CDOs (2007: EUR -198 million). There were also expenses of EUR

-150 million mainly as a result of derivative positions with Lehman Brothers. The spread changes relating to other trading holdings also had a negative impact. For instance market value adjustments due to counterparty risks had a negative impact of EUR -433 million on net trading income. In accordance with the amendment of IAS 39 'Reclassification of financial assets' which was published by the IASB and endorsed by the EU in October 2008, the Hypo Real Estate Group reclassified assets with a carrying amount of EUR 3.5 billion out of 'trading' into the category 'loans and receivables' retrospectively as of 1 July 2008. In addition, the Hypo Real Estate Group reclassified further trading holdings with a carrying amount of EUR 0.7 billion as of 1 October 2008. Without these reclassifications, net trading income in 2008 would have been EUR 736 million lower.

*Net income from financial investments amounted to EUR -1.409 billion (2007: EUR 6 million) as a result of numerous impairments in relation to financial investments. The further impairment in relation to the cash CDOs included under this position amounted to EUR -762 million in the full year. MBS were impaired by EUR -528 million. In addition, net income from financial investments also includes the impairment of EUR -74 million in relation to a shareholding in Babcock & Brown which is now written off entirely. In addition, in 2008, an impairment of EUR -25 million was recognised in relation to securities of the American investment bank Lehman Brothers, and an impairment of EUR -38 million was recognised in relation to securities of Icelandic banks; a portfolio-based impairment of EUR -24 million was also recognised in relation to assets which were reclassified into the category LaR in accordance with IAS 39.

*Net income from hedge relationships amounted to EUR 86 million (2007: EUR 11 million).

*The balance of other operating income/expenses amounted to EUR 82 million (2007: EUR 15 million), and resulted mainly from effects of foreign currency translation of EUR 96 million.

*The additions to provisions for losses on loans and advances increased to EUR 1.656 billion (2007: EUR -61 million) as a result of the considerable global economic downturn and the deterioration of the situation in some real estate markets. The addition to provisions for losses on loans and advances contain portfolio-based allowances of EUR 501 million.

*General administrative expenses fell to EUR 605 million compared with the previous year (EUR 656 million).

*In consequence of the collapsed interbank market in mid-September 2008, it was no longer possible to conduct the business of DEPPFA on the same basis as assumed at the acquisition date on 2 October 2007. Accordingly, an impairment on goodwill and DEPPFA's intangible assets totalling EUR -2.482 billion was recognised in the third quarter of 2008.

* The balance of other income/expenses accounts EUR -47 million (2007: EUR -6 million)

Net assets and capital ratios:

*The total assets of the Hypo Real Estate Group amounted to EUR 419.7 billion as of 31 December 2008, compared with EUR 400.2 billion as of 31 December 2007. The increase in total assets resulted mainly from higher financial investments and other assets.

*The total volume of lending as of the end of December 2008 amounted to EUR 267.3 billion compared with EUR 256.2 billion at the end of 2007.

*Shareholders' equity (excluding revaluation reserve) amounted to EUR 2.6 billion as of 31 December 2008 compared with EUR 7.9 billion as of 31 December 2007.

*Taking into account the negative net income for 2008, the regulatory minimum ratio requirements would not have been met by 31. December 2008. According to regulatory standards, the calculation of own funds for the due date 31. December 2008 had to happen without the year end results, due to the fact that at the time of the Solvency Reporting to the Supervisors, the approved annual financial statement was not yet existing. This would have been the pre-requisite to include the net result. On the basis of the declaration of intent of the SoFFin, the Company is assuming that it will again be able to meet the requirements relating to regulatory minimum ratios following the intended capital support even if the net loss for the year is taken into consideration.

*Before the approved annual financial statements and before profit distribution, equity capital totalled EUR 8.172 billion (31 December 2007: EUR 12.162 billion). As per approved annual financial statements and after profit distribution, it is EUR 4.997 billion (31 December 2007: EUR 12.405 billion).

*Before the approved annual financial statements and before profit distribution, the core capital ratio was 6.2 % as of 31 December 2008 (31 December 2007: 8.5 % in accordance with Principle I logic). As per approved financial statements and after profit distribution, the ratio is 3.4 % (31 December 2007: 8.7 %).

*Before the approved financial statements and before profit distribution, the own funds ratio is 8.6 % (31 December 2007: 11.1%). As per approved annual financial statements and after profit distribution, the ratio is 5.7 % (31 December 2007: 11.4 %).

Results of subsidiary banks; servicing of profit-participation certificates, tier 1 and upper tier 2 instruments:

As already announced, Hypo Real Estate Bank AG has posted a net loss for the year: the result before taxes (in accordance with German GAAP - 'HGB') was EUR -2.8 billion, with a net retained loss of EUR -2.6 billion. Interest on profit-participation certificates issued by Hypo Real Estate Bank AG after preparation of the 2008 financial statements and due for payment in 2009 will not be paid. Profit-participation certificates with final maturity on 31 December 2008 participate in the loss on a pro-rata basis; accordingly, they will not be repaid at par, but their nominal

amount will be reduced by the amount of the pro-rata loss. As a result of the net retained loss, Hypo Real Estate Bank AG will not make any distributions in 2009 on its Hypo Real Estate International Trust I tier 1 bond. Furthermore, within the scope of its corporate planning, the Management Board of Hypo Real Estate Bank AG envisages the bank to post losses for at least the next two years. Based on this assumption, the holders of profit-participation certificates and tier 1 bonds would not receive any distributions for the relevant periods, and the profit-participation certificates would share the pro-rata losses.

DEPFA Deutsche Pfandbriefbank AG posted a transferable profit of EUR 17 million after taxes, resulting in a breakeven net retained profit. Therefore, profit-participation certificates issued by DEPFA Deutsche Pfandbriefbank AG must be serviced in full for financial year 2008.

The Board of Directors of DEPFA BANK plc has decided that tier 1 instruments guaranteed by DEPFA BANK plc and upper tier 2 instruments of DEPFA BANK plc will not be serviced in 2009.

Important information:

The figures for Hypo Real Estate Holding AG and Hypo Real Estate Bank AG published in this document are based on annual financial statements prepared by the Management Board which have not been audited and have not yet been adopted by the Supervisory Board. At DEPFA Deutsche Pfandbriefbank AG, the Supervisory Board has adopted the annual financial statements; at DEPFA BANK plc, the Board of Directors has approved the annual financial statements.

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