

# Management report 2015

#### MANAGEMENT REPORT BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE CHAIRMAN ALMACENES ÉXITO S.A.

Dear Shareholders.

The year 2015 marked a historic moment for Almacenes Éxito S.A. whereby it acquired 18.8% stock ownership and control of Grupo Pão de Açúcar (GPA) in Brazil and 100% of Libertad S.A. (Libertad) in Argentina. This, which has been one of the biggest transactions in Company history, enabled the creation of the most representative omnichannel platform in Latin America, with over 2.600 stores, 60 million customers, 18 million of which belong to ecommerce, and nearly 200 thousand collaborators. Grupo is now present in three leading economies of South America and in Uruguay that, altogether, correspond to 75% of its population and 80% of its gross domestic product.

This transaction, whose value amounted to USD 1.826 million, is expected to allow Grupo Éxito to capture synergies that will increase its EBITDA margin by 50 basis points, progressively towards the fourth year of implementation. So far, the interdisciplinary equipment of the four countries have identified opportunities in: optimization of negotiations with food, non-food, services and common supplies; new formats, including the launch of *Cash & Carry* or hyper wholesaler in Colombia; development of specialized business models such as real estate, textile and loyalty programs by means of exchanging knowledge and better practices between different countries.

Therefore, during this new stage of its history, Grupo Éxito has modern and appealing business formats: qualitative with Carulla, Pão de Açúcar, Disco and Devoto; hypermarkets with Éxito, Extra, Libertad and Géant; discount formats with Surtimax and Super Inter; wholesaler with Assaí; and, lastly, non-food-specialized formats with Vía Varejo in Brazil. In addition, it has achieved significant growth in e-commerce -main objective of leading global retailers- by taking second place in this channel in Brazil with CNova, leadership in Colombia with www.éxito.com and www.carulla.com and presence in Uruguay with www.devoto.com.uy and www.geant.com.uy.

Thanks to the strength and stable growth of the operation in Colombia, positive prospects throughout Argentina in the medium run as a result of the recent election of Mauricio Macri as President and the privileged position of Uruguay within the region, it is possible to focus significant efforts in guaranteeing competitiveness and GPA's market position. This seeks to face challenges such as decrease in demand, speed up internal restructuring and drastically reduce costs and expenses to maintain adequate levels of profitability, even during the most challenging moments of economic outlook Brazil faces.

Grupo Éxito's new configuration places it in an incomparable access position to the growing middle class with modern, qualitative, virtual and proximity formats to be leveraged to trends of greater penetration, such as ecommerce, own brands and the urbanization of our countries.

There is also the complementary business model, which includes real estate, loan and insurance businesses which offer the same possibility in other countries. In the real estate business, for example, Grupo appears as one of the most important players in South America: it has around 790 thousand square meters of leasable area, represented in shopping malls and galleries that may show a clear potential to create value for shareholders.

In order to address this new dimension, where Grupo Éxito is positioned as the leader in combined physical- and e-commerce markets in Colombia, Uruguay, Brazil and the region of Córdoba in Argentina, the company is restructured, creating strategic positions to ensure domestic performance and to invigorate International operations. These positions are: Colombian Operational Presidency, Vice-Presidency of International Businesses and Vice-Presidency of Services. Similarly, it creates an office for integration in conjunction with consulting firms specialized in materializing the collection of tangible benefits for Éxito and its regional affiliates.

The challenge is to keep operations in Colombia strong while making progress with the creation of value from the new "multilatina" platform.

#### **RETAIL**

In Colombia, Grupo Éxito achieved very significant progress: the recently acquired Super Inter stores were fully integrated; the expansion process continued by opening 49 places including stores, gas stations and shopping malls; more than 35 thousand square meters were added to the new business area; and it reached 1,095 partners of Surtimax and Super Inter brands. Total sales rose 8.1%, securing leadership in the national market.

The Colombian business displayed great dynamism marked by an aggressive expansion of segments such as discount formats as well as those related to clubs, independent supermarkets and department stores. In the midst of this dynamic, Grupo Éxito has maintained its leadership by means of acquisitions and successful integrations, such as Super Inter, as well as the consolidation of the three most important market segments: qualitative with Carulla, hypermarkets and supermarkets with the Éxito brand and discount with Surtimax, Super Inter and the alliance program with neighborhood storekeepers using these two brands.

With the Éxito brand, 23 new points of sale were opened in 13 departments throughout the country. Of those, 14 correspond to the *express* format, which shows the importance of proximity formats within the Company's strategy. Among the nine remaining points of sale, two large stores stand out with the latest design trends: Mayorca, in Sabaneta, and Fontanar, in Chía. The brand is present in over 100 municipalities of the country, reaching communities such as Sabanalarga in Atlántico, and Riohacha in Guajira. It ends 2015 with 262 points of sale and keeps first place in brand recognition surveys among Colombian consumers.

On the other hand, Carulla, the older *retail* brand in Colombia, celebrated its 110th anniversary, with 100 stores in 11 departments. In 2015, it brought forward the most ambitious expansion plan in history, by opening 10 points of sale and reaching cities such as Villavicencio and Pereira.

In the discount market, Grupo Éxito furthers its positioning through brands such as Surtimax and Super Inter, that add 211 points of sale. With respect to the Surtimax brand, five new shops opened up, reaching 153, set up in Antioquia, Costa Caribe and Cundinamarca, while with the Super Inter brand, we achieved 58 points of sale in the coffee region and Valle del Cauca with nine new stores.

2015 was also a year full of major developments and transformations in Brazilian, Uruguayan and Argentine markets.

In Brazil, GPA ends the year with a total of 1.941 stores, marking its presence in 21 out of 27 states of the country. GPA achieved total sales worth COP 63,4 trillion, which contributed \$18,8 trillion pesos to Grupo Éxito for consolidated sales during the final four months of the year. 53.2% of GPA sales correspond to food categories, which constitute an advantage and allow the operation to withstand Brazil's downturn in consumption.

That country also highlights sales in foods from Assaí, hyper wholesaler (or *Cash & Carry*) format business model that shows the largest dynamism in the Brazilian market. The Extra brand promoted the unfolding of its new business concept, both in hypermarkets and in supermarkets with the renovation of almost 25% of its area of sales in 2015. The brand's objective is to execute an aggressive price policy and offer a variety best suited to current demand conditions.

With respect to the non-food business, especially furniture, home and technological products, Vía Varejo decreased its sales for the fourth quarter by 14%, as a consequence of the declining local demand, while maintaining its market participation. Fortunately, Vía Varejo has implemented a dynamic productivity plan which enables it to adapt to the country's economic context and gain a privileged position when demand picks up again.

GPA launched a cost reduction and productivity improvement program in all formats in one of the strongest adaptation plans for low demand in the entire market. Similarly, it opened 118 new stores during the year, especially using the wholesaler format with the Assaí brand, hypermarkets with Pão de Açúcar, and the proximity format with Minuto Pão de Açúcar and Minimercado Extra. Thus, it is positioned as the largest market leader throughout South America.

In all, Brazil's focus has been placed on the aggressive reduction of costs, the renovation of Extra hypermarkets and the expansion through formats with the best consumer acceptance.

In Uruguay, Disco and Devoto end the year with a total of 65 stores in four departments that hold nearly 70% of the country's population, and sales for COP 2,1 trillion, equivalent to a 10,6% increase along the same lines, greater than the total inflation shown for 2015 of 9,44%. This outcome consolidates Grupo's leadership in Uruguay, and it is an example of how the operation in that country becomes strong and creates value. Out of the 11 stores that opened up, 10 are Devoto Express, proximity format that turns into an axis of future growth in that country. Growth was complemented by the acquisition of the Híper Ahorro store in July, located in the department of San José, and representing 0,5% of total sales in 2015. Likewise, the diversification and reinforcement of assortments at Géant hypermarkets has been promoted as preparation for the arrival of specialized competitors to this country.

In Argentina, from September to December 2015, Libertad consolidated sales worth COP 595.882 million for Grupo Éxito, rising above inflation and gaining market participation. Said results were achieved thanks to new business and supply strategies, such as "stocking up for the entire month" and the drive for the fruits and vegetables segment through "huge fair of fresh produce."

Consequently, Grupo Éxito ended the year with a total consolidated income of COP 33,4 trillion, with a 218% increase with respect to 2014.

#### OMNI-CHANNEL

In 2015, opting for physical and virtual channels as well as the implementation of original business proposals by means of the Omni-channel strategy led to very positive results. In Colombia, Digital Catalogs became a successful channel to give customers a new and complete portfolio of products they did not have at their disposal. The year ended with 110 digital catalogs.

With the help of "delivery points" at stores, Grupo Éxito was at the forefront of innovation to provide the best logistics service to the customer that buys on electronic channels. In Colombia, the number of collection points increased to 258 through which over 49 thousand e-commerce orders were delivered.

Similarly, Colombia ventured into the *marketplace* (or virtual marketplace) *business*, through websites such as www.éxito.com and www.cdiscount.com.co, acting as the logistics and technological platform to third-party brands, and expanding the portfolio of products offered. Additionally, the mobile version of www.éxito.com was launched, making it easier for customers to buy from any place, exploiting high smartphone penetration in Colombia.

Uruguay launched the Devoto mobile application and enhanced the website: www.devoto.com.uy. Sales rose 72% and the number of orders 36% during the fourth quarter. Likewise, the Géant brand website (www.geant.com.uy) was launched, with an initial offer of non-food products.

Lastly, in Brazil, CNova and e-commerce operators grouped under this company increased *marketplace* participation in sales and number of delivery points, integrating the physical network of different GPA stores for the convenience and economy of customers, in which the number of visits rose 28,9%.

#### REAL ESTATE AND OTHER COMPLEMENTARY BUSINESSES

With the opening of VIVA Wajiira and VIVA Palmas, the real estate business in Colombia completed 11 shopping malls and 17 galleries that comprise more than 310 thousand square meters of leasable business area. In addition, the development of VIVA Barranquilla and VIVA La Ceja began during the year; these projects contributed nearly 75 thousand square meters of additional leasable area.

The real estate business in Brazil also achieved significant results. Its income increased 17% in 2015, as a result of the increase of leasable area to 369 thousand square meters and the renovation of some existing shopping malls that helped achieve an occupancy rate greater than 91%.

In Argentina, the real estate business was positioned in a strategic business plan pillar of Libertad, which today is the third real estate player in the national business market. In 2015, Paseo Lugones, the largest shopping mall in the city of Córdoba with 200 business units and 35.000 square meters of leasable area, was expanded. Similarly, real estate projects of great importance were initiated in Chaco and Salta, which shall provide nearly 14.606 square meters of additional leasable area. Nowadays, Libertad is the leading operator of malls and business galleries outside of Buenos Aires, with nearly 145 thousand square meters of leasable area and an ambitious expansion plan close to 50 thousand new square meters in the next four years.

For Grupo Exito, the real estate development activity is an emerging opportunity for profitability and creating value in the region and a booster of synergies existing among countries, on the basis of knowledge and acquired global networking.

Lastly, with respect to other complementary businesses, 2015 was an exceptional year for creating strategic alliances in Colombia. "Tarjeta Éxito," the result of the partnership with Bancolombia, was positioned as the leading credit card in *retail* and one of the first in the market, with over 1,8 million cards issued. Additionally, the MasterCard franchised card was launched, with universal use outside of stores. The cell-phone company business, through the "Móvil Éxito" brand, achieved over 700.000 users, which nearly represents 100% growth with respect to the previous year. The holiday package and service business, developed through "Viajes Éxito," in association with Avianca, positioned itself as the most important operator of national holiday packages in the country. And, the insurance business, developed with Grupo Suramericana, under the "Seguros Éxito" brand, continues to have a positive outcome, reaching a record of nearly one million customers, growing nearly 25% and consolidating a truly penetrating innovative initiative in the micro-insurance market of immediate power towards the base of the pyramid.

#### CONSOLIDATED AND SEPARATE FINANCIAL RESULTS

At the closing of 2015, Grupo Éxito's consolidated income rose to COP 33,4 trillion, with a 218% increase. This growth is explained by a positive outcome in Colombia, with a total income of COP 10,6 trillion and an 8,2% growth. On the other hand, operations in Brazil, between September and December 2015, contributed nearly COP 20 trillion. Income in Uruguay reached COP \$2,2 trillion, with a 222% increase; and, in Argentina, consolidation as of

September, contributed income equal to COP \$637,6 billion. It is important to note that these results are not to be compared with the ones from the previous period as Disco sales and sales from four months of operations in Brazil and Argentina were not in the base of 2014.

In order to face the aggressive competitive environment in Colombia, the challenging macroeconomic situation in Brazil and to reclaim market position in Argentina and Uruguay, an investment in prices was carried out, with a 0.4 percentage point impact on gross margin, going from 25,1% to 24,7%.

Additionally, Grupo continues to work with the management and reduction of expenses. In Brazil, great efforts were put into productivity, mainly into the reduction of approximately 13.000 FTEs and the implementation of action plans to minimize cost of sales, that grew below the 10,67% annual inflation rate through December 2015.

The recurring operating income totaled COP 1,5 trillion, equivalent to 4,5% of income. Colombia participates with COP 593 billion, Brazil with COP 735 billion and other businesses with COP 176 billion. This outcome is affected by the performance of the business margin and the reclassification of amortization expenses in Uruguay, due to the application of NIIF [Normas Internacionales de Información Financiera (International Financial Reporting Standards)]. The operating income in Colombia increased by 2%, mainly driven by the good outcome in sales of the last quarter of the year.

The consolidated recurring Ebitda grew 148%, closing with a value of COP 2 trillion, which corresponds to 6,1% of the revenue. Colombia contributed COP 804.911 million to this result, growing 4,4%, Brazil COP 996.870 million and the other businesses contributed COP 219.610 million. Additionally, the net profits of Grupo Éxito, after discounting minority interest, reached COP 573.495 million, with growth of 14,8%. It is important to remember with these results that Brazil and Argentina have consolidated their number since September 2015 and during the first lapsed year they will not have base comparison numbers.

Almacenes Éxito S.A. closes the 2015 year with an adjusted net financial debt ["NFD"] of COP 3,6 trillion and an adjusted NFD/Ebitda indicator close to 3,8. This result is partly explained by the put option on Uruguayan minority shareholder rights that degrades the NFD by 310 billion pesos. Without considering this factor, the ratio is close to 3,5.

As a result of re-profiling the debt implemented at the end of 2015, the average term of 3,4 to 4,3 years was extended, with a variable rate for our credits in local currency less than IBR [Indicador bancario de referencia (Banking Indicator Reference)] +3,5%, and for our obligations in dollars less than LIBOR [London InterBank Offered Rate] +1,75%.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND INTERNAL CONTROL

The Company made progress during 2015 by adopting and implementing the Corporate Government standards contained in the New Code for Better Corporate Practices of Colombia [External Circular Letter 028 of 2014 issued by the Financial Superintendent], and also by incorporating these standards in their Corporate Government Compendium.

For the third year in a row, the company received IR [Investor Relations] Recognition from the Colombian Stock Market for voluntarily adopting better practices in information disclosure and investor relations.

Moreover, the Organization has properly performing internal control and financial information disclosure systems. The financial statements, indicators and relevant reports have been submitted, on a periodic basis, to the Audit

Committee and the Board of Directors, and have been reviewed by the Tax Auditor. Furthermore, the financial information and relevant facts have been timely informed to the market.

The Audit Committee has progressed on the improvement of the internal control system, the management of risk activities, the system of prevention and control of money laundering, and the disclosure program. The Internal Audit carried out its work independently, focusing on the main risks, with no material weaknesses identified in the internal control system. The Company continues to strengthen its system of risk prevention and control of money laundering and financing of terrorism, refusing to do business with people connected to these behaviors, and reporting suspicious transactions.

As administrators, we certify that the internal control system did not present any flaws that would impede the proper registration, processing, summarizing, and submission of financial information, and no significant fraud has been evidenced that could have affected its quality and integrity. The disclosure of financial information was verified and complies with current legislation, ensuring that the information through December 31, 2015 is correct, and does not contain faults, inaccuracies, or errors that impede knowing the real financial position of the Company. In addition, the Company has not limited, in any way whatsoever, the free flow of invoices issued by its suppliers of goods or services, under the terms set forth by Act 1676, 2013, and Act 1231, 2008.

Further information on how the Company's Corporate Government regulations were complied with during 2015 can be found in the Corporate Government Report, available to shareholders on the web page .www.grupoexito.com.co.

#### **GRUPO ÉXITO AND OPERATIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES**

Grupo Éxito ended 2015 made up of Almacenes Éxito S.A. as the head office, as leader of the subsidiaries in Colombia: Distribuidora de Textiles y Confecciones S.A. - Didetexco S.A., Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S, Éxito Viajes y Turismo S.A., Gemex O & W S.A y Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S.; and foreign subsidiaries: Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição, Libertad S.A., Carulla Vivero Holding Inc., Onper Investments 2015, S.L. and Spice Investments Mercosur.

The main transaction between the related parties that was implemented during 2015 was precisely that which facilitated the consolidation of Grupo Éxito, and that consisted in the purchase of Casino of 50% of the share capital of the French company Ségisor, which indirectly controls 99,9% of the GPA [Grupo Pão de Açúcar] shares with voting rights, and 100% of the shares of Libertad.

The main recurring operations between the related parties were the following:

- The sale of goods or merchandise to the subsidiaries Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S. and Gemex O & W S.A.S. that generated income for the Company in the amount of COP 35.025 million.
- The rendering of administrative services to Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S., Gemex O & W S.A.S., Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S. and independent equities, in the amount of COP 2.661 million.
- The rendering of leasing services to independent equities and Éxito Viajes y Turismo S.A.S in the total amount of COP 394 million.
- The amount incurred in expenses was COP 23.642 million, corresponding to the rendering of consulting and technical assistance services, among others, provided by Casino, Guichard-Perrachon S.A. and Géant International B.V.
- Merchandise was purchased from subsidiary Didetexco S.A. for COP 127.087 million.

- The total of COP 27.603 million was paid to the subsidiaries for leasing and administration and the total of COP 25.022 million was paid for services received.
- COP 9.286 million was spent on merchandise and COP 20.904 million was the amount that was paid to companies belonging to Grupo Casino for services received.
- The execution of the alliance with Green Yellow, a Grupo Casino subsidiary, was continued in order to save energy at points of sale.

The operations between the related parties were celebrated in compliance with corporate government best standards, which included the review of these operations by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors and the competent Interest Conflict Committees in each case.

In accordance with what is set forth in article 29 of Act 222 of 1995, it is demonstrated that during the year 2015 the Company did not make any major decisions nor did it stop making major decisions in the interest of its subordinates that must be disclosed in this report. Also, the Company did not conclude important operations with third parties in the interest of its subordinates that must be disclosed in this report. Its subsidiaries neither made nor stopped making any major or relevant decisions about the parent company Almacenes Éxito S.A. that need be disclosed in this report, nor did they conclude transactions with third parties in the interests of their parent company that should be included in this report.

The transactions between related parties executed within the Enterprise Group were carried out in market conditions, complying with fiscal regulations, including the regulation on transfer prices. Our analysis of the evolution of assets, liabilities, equity, operating revenues, and consolidated results of the different companies that make up Grupo Éxito can be verified in the notes in the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY IN COLOMBIA

Sustainability continued to be worked on in the 5 corporate pillars. As a Supportive Stakeholder, Mega Zero Malnutrition Generation through the year 2030 in Colombia is a priority for the Company. Fundación Éxito [Success Foundation] took fundamental steps to make this a national purpose, by raising awareness among more than 1.700 candidates to mayor's office, governorships, municipal councils and departmental assemblies on the importance of including Gen Zero in its development plans. The Foundation, in addition, continued its support of more than 28.500 children and 9.600 expectant families in 89 municipalities of the country, with a contribution of more of COP 18.000 million and the promotion and execution of agreements with municipalities and departments to develop projects in favor of child nutrition. Additionally, important pacts were made with international institutions like Unicef and the United Nations World Food Program (WFP), as well as with the Presidential Strategy for Early Childhood, From Zero to Always, in order to unite efforts for the sake of eradicating childhood malnutrition. In 2015, the first version of Child Nutrition Month took place, with events like "Lactatón" ["Big Latch On"], where more than 800 women participated in acts of public breastfeeding in 10 cities across the country.

With the idea of advancing the goal of becoming a trusted ally, sustainable business initiatives continued to be promoted. The model of alliances with independent retailers, Surtimax allies, is now being replicated under the Super Inter brand, for a total of 1195 allies, contributing to the training, education and sustainability of independent retailers.

84% of the meat, fish, fruit and vegetable purchases in Colombia correspond to direct purchases from producers, which is equivalent to more than 140 thousand tons of food. Close to 800 small farmers of the Caribbean coast and Boyacá province benefited from the agreement signed with the Clinton Foundation. Colombian industry benefited

from sub-contracting textile processes with close to 250 SME that use a total of 6.700 people, among them 5.600 mothers that are heads of household, across the whole country, in garment production for the Group's own brands.

Exito continues contributing to job creation in Colombia. In 2015 it reached 41.771 direct employees. The Company affiliated itself with the program "Forty thousand first jobs" led by the Ministry of Work and employed 400 high school graduates. With the labor inclusion program, which has been working at generating opportunities for 9 years, a total of 526 people were trained and employed.

In order to contribute to the generation of increased environmental awareness and appreciate and defense of our biodiversity, the movie "Wild Magic" was released, which captured hearts and generated deep reflection among Colombians, who went to the movie theaters in droves and turned it into the most seen Colombian movie in the history of national cinema, with close to 2,4 million spectators.

Sustainable development best standards for design, construction and operational activities of VIVA Wajiira Shopping Center were adopted and implemented, providing good practices in handling solid waste and environmental impacts during construction, bioclimatic management, interior environmental quality improvement and alternative energy use, including a photovoltaic facility that will facilitate self-supplying 40% of the shopping center's energy use. It will be the first shopping center in Colombia to obtain the "Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design" certification (LEED), in the Gold category, granted by the United States Green Building Council.

During the 2015 period, Almacenes Exito S.A. made donations in the amount of COP 2.808 million to people, organizations or programs of common good, and contributions to legal entities, among those that have campaigns and/or political parties participating in local elections, in accordance with what was approved by the last General Assembly of Shareholders.

#### INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

In compliance with Act 603 of 2000, the Company reports that they have fully complied with intellectual property regulations. The Company's administration reports that the Company is the holder of the brands, names, banners, slogans, and distinctive signs used on its products and services, or that the company is authorized to use these by virtue of a license agreement. The use of software products complies with the current legislation.

#### **EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO CLOSING**

The strengthening that the real estate business in Colombia has demonstrated, gave rise to exploring the possibility of setting up a vehicle controlled by Éxito through which much more aggressive development of the real estate business would be accomplished and to which some investors would be linked to, from whom close to USD 200 million is hoped to be obtained. In the first stage, Éxito would contribute 13 shopping centers and galleries that are currently in operation and 6 projects in the structuring and development stage with an area close to 360 thousand square meters, to this real estate vehicle. It is predicted that the launch will be in the middle of this year. **Shareholder Members.** 

Almacenes Éxito has a history highlighted by moments of major growth that have strengthened it in the market. From the decision of its founder to buy the emblematic warehouse on Colombia street, giving origin to the first major supermarket and the food business; to the acquisition of Cadenalco in the year 2000, multiplying its size several times and going from a few warehouses in two cities to being the Colombian leader, Éxito has shown its capacity for acquiring and consolidating businesses. Eight years ago the acquisition of Carulla-Vivero consolidated that leadership in Colombia and five years ago it took the big step towards internationalization with the acquisition of

Disco and Devoto in Uruguay. In all of these integrations, value has been added to business, clients and shareholders. Now, the big challenge is to achieve the integration of a major Latin American platform, the second largest after Walmart. Growth in the four markets is expected and they are making the necessary decisions so that business in Brazil is prepared to capture, in the future, the benefits of this economy's recovery and consolidate its already solid leadership in the market.

Last year was negative for share value, due to a composite effect between the fall of the Colombian stock exchange and the initial reaction of the market to entry into Brazil and Argentina. The challenge consists in achieving that the market values solidity, projection and future perspectives on the Company's value creation in these countries. In the short term, the launch of the real estate vehicle, controlled by Éxito and intended to collect funds to accelerate development of the Organization's large shopping centers and galleries, offers an interesting opportunity to give rise to part of the hidden value of these real estate assets. Also, the synergies we have begun to demonstrate among the four countries will boost value creation of the Group and its shareholders.

The year that is starting is promising in three of four markets: Colombia, Uruguay and Argentina, with an interesting sales dynamic. Also, the opportunity to strengthen competitiveness and productivity of business in Brazil is presented, for which pertinent decisions have already been made, reducing the size of the structure and putting first order executives with lots of international experience at the forefront of the GPA food business (Multivarejo).

Dearest Shareholders, Exito is a company with extraordinary fundamentals in physical commerce, in electronics, in complementary businesses, in the value of its brands and most of all, in the quality of its human talent. Today it is positioned as one of greatest "Multilatinas" in Colombia and second in its sector in Latin America. You have the full commitment of the Board of Directors and the Administration to capitalize on these privileged positions facing a great consolidated regional business, which captures projected synergies, exchanges better practices between countries and, through an adequate return on investment and strengthening of operational readiness, projects these values so that they benefit you. The dividend proposal to be distributed, which surpasses inflation by more than 2,4 times, reflects the strength of the net profits of business and the determination to maintain return on investment for the shareholder in the long term.

We want to finish by giving special thanks to the Organization's collaborators for their commitment and honest and dedicated work, and to our Clients for reaffirming their loyalty every day, the main source of growth for Grupo Éxito.

Thank you very much,

Members of the Board of Directors Chairman and CEO



## Corporate Governance Report Almacenes Éxito S.A. 2015

The currencies used in this report are expressed in Colombian pesos and American dollars.

#### 1. Ownership Structure of the Company

#### 1.1. Capital and ownership structure of the Company

The Company has an authorized capital of 530 million shares, of which a total of 448.240.151 are issued and the remaining 81.759.849 are in reserve. Of the issued shares, a total of 447.604.316 ordinary shares are outstanding and 635.835 were repurchased.

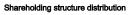
The number of shareholders, as of December 31, 2015, is 9.060, of which: 88,8% are individuals with an equity interest of 3,76%, and 11,2% are corporations with an equity equal to 96,24% of the share capital.

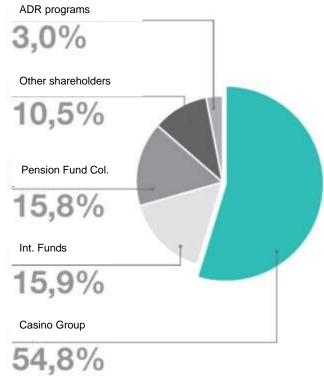
## 1.2. Identity of shareholders that have significant equity holdings, direct and indirect

Éxito is a corporation controlled by the Casino corporation, Guichard-Perrachon S.A., and as of December 31, 2015 held 54,77% of the share capital indirectly, through the companies Geant International B.V., Geant Fonciere B.V., and Bergsaar B.V.

The main shareholders, as of December 31, 2015, were:

NAME OF SHAREHOLDER	NUMBER OF SHARES	% INTEREST
Geant International B.V. (Grupo Casino)	185.315.711	41,40
Geant Fonciere B.V. (Grupo Casino)	47.725.428	10,66
Fondo de Pensiones Obligatorias Porvenir Moderado	31.760.480	7,10
Fondo de Pensiones Obligatorias Protección	24.224.324	5,41
Oppenheimer Developing Markets Fund	15.671.455	3,50
Exito ADR Program	13.530.522	3,02
Bergsaar B.V. (Grupo Casino)	12.130.244	2,71
Fondo de Pensiones Obligatorias Colfondos Moderado	8.144.242	1,82
Alianza Fiduciaria S.A. Fideicomiso Adm Sonnenblume	7.558.552	1,69
Colombiana de Comercio S.A.	7.076.200	1,58
Inversiones Pinamar S.A.	5.126.735	1,15





1.3. Information regarding shares that are owned directly (in a personal capacity) or indirectly (through corporations or other vehicles) by the members of the Board of Directors and the voting rights they represent

During the year 2015, none of the members of the Board of Directors held shares of the Corporation directly or indirectly.

1.4. Family, commercial, contractual, or corporate relations that exist between the holders of significant interests and the Corporation, or among the holders of significant interests. As mentioned in item 1.2, the companies Geant International B.V., Geant Fonciere B.V., and Bergsaar B.V. belong to Casino Group France, whose parent company is the Casino corporation, Guichard-Perrachon S.A.

The Corporation does not have other shareholders with significant equity interest, understood as equivalent to ten percent (10%) or more of outstanding shares.

The details regarding the commercial and/or contractual relations between the Corporation and the Casino Group are set out in item 3 of this report.

## 1.5. Negotiations that the members of the Board of Directors, of the Senior Management and other Administrators have carried out with the shares and other securities issued by the Corporation

During the year 2015, none of the members of the Board of Directors or of the Senior Management carried out negotiations with Company shares. As of December 31, 2015, no other securities issued by the Corporation were outstanding, apart from shares.

### 1.6. Summary of the agreements between shareholders that are known

On November 29, 2010, a group of Colombian shareholders, to wit: Inversiones Pinamar S.A., Alianza Fiduciaria Fideicomiso ADM Sunneblume, Colombiana de Comercio S.A., Alianza Fiduciaria Fideicomiso Birne, and

some individuals, entered into a shareholders' agreement with Casino, Guichard-Perrachon S.A., Geant International B.V., Geant Fonciere B.V., Bergsaar B.V., and Latic - Latam Invesment Company LLC. The main terms of said agreement are meant to regulate the procedures regarding the election of directors, the voting at the Shareholders' Meeting, the decisions of the Board of Directors, and to establish some obligations in regard to the transfer of Company shares. The full text of the agreement and the modifications thereto are available for public consultation through the relevant information mechanism.

#### 1.7. Treasury shares held by the Corporation.

The Corporation holds 635.835 shares that were repurchased in February 1996, August 2000, and December 2006.

#### 2. Administrative Structure of the Corporation

## 2.1. Composition of the Board of Directors and members' profile



Luis Fernando Alarcón Mantilla Chairman of the Board of Directors

- Independent member
- Appointment: 06/11/2015

Civil Engineer from the University of Los Andes, with a postgraduate degree in Economics from the same University, and a Master of Science in Civil Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute

of Technology (MIT). He was the General Manager of ISA and previously served as President of Asofondos, Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank, Treasury Secretary, among others. He has been a board member at important companies in the country. Currently he is the Chairman of the Board of Sura Group, member of the Board of Riopaila Castilla, and member of the High Council of the University of Los Andes. Member of the Board of Directors of Almacenes Éxito since June, 2015.



Ana María Ibáñez Londoño Independent member

- Appointment:
- 03/20/2014
- Latest reelection: 06/11/2015

Agricultural Economics and Natural Resources from the University of Maryland, College Park. Currently she is a Dean at the School of

Economics at the University of Los Andes and a member of the United Nations' Commission for the Consolidation of Peace. Member of the Board of Directors of Almacenes Éxito since March, 2014.





#### Felipe Ayerbe Muñoz

- Independent member
- Appointment:
- 10/11/2010
- Latest reelection: 06/11/2015

Lawyer from the University of Los Andes, specialist in Commercial Law from the National University of Colombia with studies at NYU and Harvard. Member of the Board of Directors of Banco de Occidente. Member of the Board

of Directors of Almacenes Éxito since October, 2010.



#### Luis Carlos Uribe Jaramillo

- Capital member
- Appointment: 03/12/2014
- Latest reelection: 06/11/2015

Chemical Engineer from the University of Antioquia, with a Masters in Business Administration from the University of Wisconsin. He was the President of Productos Familia Sancela S.A.,

Director of Cartama S.A., belongs to the boards of Brinsa S.A., Leonisa S.A., Une Epm Telecomunicaciones, C.I. Flores El Capiro S.A., Member of the Board of Directors of Almacenes Éxito since March 2004.



#### Luisa Fernanda Lafaurie Rivera

- Independent member
- Appointment: 03/16/2012
- Latest reelection: 06/11/2015

**Economist** Universidad Javeriana, with a postgraduate degree in Finance and an MBA from the University of Los She Andes. was Colombia's Secretary of Mines and Energy. Currently she President of Ocensa

S.A. Member of the Board of Directors of Almacenes Éxito since March, 2012.

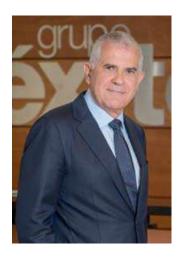


#### Yves Desjacques

- Capital member
- Appointment:
- 03/19/2010 Latest reelection: 06/11/2015

Masters Graduate in Public Law from the Interdisciplinary Training Center for Personal Function (Centro Interdisciplinario de Formación de la

Función de Personal, CIFFOP) at the Pantheón-Assas University and a Diploma in Superior Studies Specialized in Labor Law, Social Relations, and Human Resources. Currently he is the Executive Director of Human Resources at Casino Group. Member of the Board of Directors of Almacenes Éxito since March, 2010.





#### Philippe Alarcon

- Capital member
- Appointment: 03/16/2012
- Latest reelection: 06/11/2015

Graduate in Finance and Accounting from the University Institute of Technology of Saint-Étienne. Currently he is the Vice President of International Business Operations of Casino Group and Real Estate General Manager of Casino. Member of the Board of Directors

#### **Arnaud Strasser**

- Capital member
- Appointment: 03/19/2010
- Latest reelection: 06/11/2015

Graduate from the School National Administration (Escuela Nacional de Administración, ENA) Masters and the program at the Paris Institute of Political Studies, Sciences Po. Currently he is the Executive Director of Corporate

Development

Equity of Casino Group. Member of the Board of Directors of Almacenes Exito since March, 2010.



#### **Bernard Petit**

- Capital member
- Appointment: 03/20/2014
- Latest reelection: 06/11/2015

Has Chartered Accountant (Diploma de Experto Contable, Superior DEC) and Studies in Accounting and Finance (Diploma de Estudios Superiores Contabilidad de Finanzas, DESCF) diplomas. Currently he is the Financial and Administrative Director

for Latin America at Casino Group. Member of the Board of Directors of Almacenes Éxito since March, 2014.

### 2.2. Composition of the Committees of the Board of Directors

The following formation of the committees of the Board of Directors was approved at the meeting held on June 11, 2015:

	MEMBERS
Committee for	Felipe Ayerbe Muñoz (Chairman)
Appointments,	Luis Fernando Alarcón Mantilla
Remuneration, and Corporate	Ana María Ibáñez Londoño
Governance	Yves Desjacques
	Philippe Alarcon
Audit Committee	Luisa Fernanda Lafaurie Rivera (Chairman)
	Luis Fernando Alarcón Mantilla
	Ana María Ibáñez Londoño
	Felipe Ayerbe Muñoz
	Arnaud Strasser
	Bernard Petit
	Luis Carlos Uribe Jaramillo
Expansion	Luis Fernando Alarcón Mantilla (Chairman)
Expansion Committee	Luis Fernando Alarcón Mantilla (Chairman) Arnaud Strasser
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•	Arnaud Strasser
•	Arnaud Strasser Philippe Alarcon
•	Arnaud Strasser Philippe Alarcon Bernard Petit
Committee	Arnaud Strasser Philippe Alarcon Bernard Petit Luis Carlos Uribe Jaramillo
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Committee	Arnaud Strasser Philippe Alarcon Bernard Petit Luis Carlos Uribe Jaramillo Tatyana Aristizábal Londoño (external) Felipe Ayerbe Muñoz (Chairman) Luisa Fernanda Lafaurie Rivera Philippe Alarcon
Investment Committee	Arnaud Strasser Philippe Alarcon Bernard Petit Luis Carlos Uribe Jaramillo Tatyana Aristizábal Londoño (external)  Felipe Ayerbe Muñoz (Chairman) Luisa Fernanda Lafaurie Rivera Philippe Alarcon Bernard Petit
Investment Committee	Arnaud Strasser Philippe Alarcon Bernard Petit Luis Carlos Uribe Jaramillo Tatyana Aristizábal Londoño (external)  Felipe Ayerbe Muñoz (Chairman) Luisa Fernanda Lafaurie Rivera Philippe Alarcon Bernard Petit Luis Carlos Uribe Jaramillo



#### 2.3 Changes in the Board of Directors during the term

Upon the death of Dr. Nicanor Restrepo Santamaría, the Extraordinary General Shareholders' Meeting held on June 11, 2015 elected a new Board of Directors for the remaining term of the period 2014 - 2016, wherein eight members were reelected and Dr. Luis Fernando Alarcón Mantilla was elected as a new member and chairman.

## 2.4. Members of the Board of Directors and the Parent Company that participate in Boards of Directors of subsidiary companies or that have executive positions therein (as in conglomerates)

Drs. Yves Desjacques and Arnaud Strasser are members of the Board of Directors of the subsidiary Companhia Brasileira de Distribuicáo. Dr. Bernard Petit is a member of the Boards of Directors of the subsidiaries Grupo Disco de Uruguay S.A. and Devoto Hermanos S.A.

## 2.5. Policies approved by the Board of Directors during the reporting period

During the year 2015 the Board of Directors approved the following policies, as a part of the process of implementation and adoption of the corporate governance standards set forth in the new Code of Best Practices for Corporate Governance (External Circular Letter 028 of 2014 issued by the Financial Superintendence):

- Conflict of Interests Policy, Transactions Between Related Parties and Use of Privileged Information.
- Control Architecture Policy.
- Financial and Non-Financial Information Disclosure Policy.
- Procedure for the nomination of candidates to the Board of Directors and their evaluation.

Furthermore, with the same purpose of adopting the best standards of corporate governance set forth in the new Code of Best Practices for Corporate Governance, the Board of Directors approved the following proposals that were subsequently submitted to the General Shareholders' Meeting for its approval at the meetings held on March 17 and June 11 of 2015:

- The amendment of the Corporate Bylaws;
- The amendment of the Rules of the General Meeting;
- The Election and Succession Policy of the Board of Directors:
- The Remuneration Policy of the Board of Directors.

## 2.6. The appointment process for members of the Board of Directors.

During the year 2015, the process of nomination, evaluation, and election of the Board of Directors was carried out in accordance with the Corporate Bylaws, the Election and Succession Policy of the Board of Directors, approved by the Shareholders' Meeting held on March 17, and the procedure for nomination and evaluation of the Board of Directors approved by that same organism on May 20th.

Said process began by means of a publication through the relevant information mechanism, on May 20th, of the procedure for the nomination and evaluation of candidates, which stipulated that within ten (10) calendar days after the publication of the notice calling for an extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting, the shareholders had to communicate the names of their candidates to the Corporation, and submit all the information necessary in order to carry out the evaluation of said candidates.

The notice of the call was published on May 21st, and the period for nominating candidates ended on Monday, June 1, 2015. During said period, the only communication received was that from shareholders Geant International B.V., Geant Fonciere B.V., and Bergsaar B.V., who belong to Casino Group, whereby a list of candidates to independent members and a list of candidates to non-independent members were proposed.

Once the period expired and having received the communication from the shareholders, on June 3, 2015, the Committee of Appointments, Remunerations and Corporate Governance conducted the individual and joint evaluation of the candidates, verified compliance with the requirements set forth in the Election and Succession Policy of the Board of Directors for each of them, and drafted the report.

The evaluation of candidates was conducted thoroughly, from the analysis of personal records, based on the criteria of level of knowledge, management and direction aptitudes, personal aptitudes, commitment, and impartiality.

It was also verified that none of the candidates was immersed in any of the disqualifications or incompatibilities described in article five of the Election and Succession Policy of the Board of Directors, and that the candidates to independent members complied with the requirements set forth in article 44 of Act 964 of 2005.

The results of the aforementioned evaluation, once they were reviewed and validated by the Board of Directors, were posted on the Corporation's website on June 4, 2015.

Lastly, in the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on June 11, the proposed list of candidates was approved by 293.202.416 affirmative votes, corresponding to 73,29% of the shares represented at the meeting.

#### 2.7. Remuneration Policy of the Board of Directors.

The Remuneration Policy of the Board of Directors, approved by the Shareholders' Meeting on June 11, stipulates that the members of said governance organism shall have the right to the same remuneration based on fees for attending sessions, in person or remotely. Said amount will be determined by the General Shareholders' Meeting of the election.

For the determination of said amount, the Shareholders' Meeting shall take into account the following principles and guidelines:

- a. Consistency: remuneration shall be consistent with a tight management of risks, without fostering an inappropriate assumption thereof, and be aligned with the interests of the shareholders, promoting the creation of long term value. Likewise, and if the remuneration has a variable element, said element shall reward performance taking into consideration the achievement of the Company's objectives.
- Competitiveness: remuneration must be competitive, therefore facilitating attraction and retention, ensuring that it is always adequate and fair.
- c. The structure, obligations, and responsibilities of the Board, as well as the methods for evaluating the performance thereof.
- d. The personal and professional qualities of its members, as well as their professional experience.
- e. The time to be invested.
- f. The remuneration for this kind of position in comparable companies.
- g. Any other criteria that the Meeting deem convenient when making the corresponding decision.

## 2.8. Remuneration of the Board of Directors and members of Senior Management

In the ordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on March 20, 2014, it was stipulated that remuneration for the members of the Board of Directors for the period 2014 - 2016 will be equivalent to six million three hundred thousand pesos (\$6.300.000) for the preparation and attendance to each meeting of the Board of Directors; six million three hundred thousand pesos (\$6.300.000) for the Chairman of each committee, for the preparation and attendance to each meeting of the respective committee; and three million one hundred and fifty thousand pesos (\$3.150.000) for the rest of the members, for the preparation and attendance to each meeting of the committee.

Based on the above, for the year 2015 Éxito paid the members of the Board of Directors the amount of eight hundred seventy six million pesos (\$876.000.000).

On the other hand, the Senior Management of the Corporation, composed of positions corresponding to levels 1 and 2 of the organizational structure, receives a total annual compensation composed mainly of a fixed remuneration, which includes vacations, and a short term and long term variable compensation, which in real terms is equivalent to between 25% and 50% of the fixed remuneration.

#### Levels 1 and 2 of the organizational structure

include the following positions: President and General Director, Colombia Operational Presidency, Vice Presidents, and Corporate Managers.

The amount of the remuneration for members of the Senior Management is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements of the Corporation and can be consulted at the Corporation's website, at the link: <a href="http://www.grupoexito.com.co/es/inversionistas">http://www.grupoexito.com.co/es/inversionistas</a>.

## 2.9. Attendance to meetings of the Board of Directors and the Committees

MEMBER	SESSIONS ATTENDED	ATTENDANCE
Luis Fernando Alarcón Mantilla	8/8	100%
Ana María Ibáñez Londoño	12/12	100%
Felipe Ayerbe Muñoz	12/12	100%
Luisa Fernanda Lafaurie	12/12	100%
Luis Carlos Uribe Jaramillo	11/12	92%
Yves Desjacques	9/12	75%
Philippe Alarcon	12/12	100%
Bernard Petit	12/12	100%
Arnaud Strasser	6/12	50%
Nicanor Restrepo Santamaría	2/2	100%

#### 2.10. Quorum of the meetings of the Board of Directors

DATE OF THE MEETING	QUORUM
February 10	8
March 10	9
March 17	7
May 20	5
June 4	8
June 11	8
July 29	8
August 19	9
September 1	9
September 17	8
November 19	7
December 1	9

## 2.11. Chairman of the Board of Directors (functions and key issues)

In addition to taking charge, moderating turns in speaking and making sure that the sessions of the Board of Directors are conducted in an orderly fashion, complying with the agenda and attending to all the issues proposed, the Chairman of the Board of Directors also performs the functions stipulated for said position in article 31 of the Corporate Bylaws, which are detailed below:



- Ensure that the Board of Directors efficiently establishes and implements the strategic direction of the Corporation.
- Drive the Corporation's government actions, serving as a liaison between the shareholders and the Board of Directors.
- c. Coordinate and plan the functioning of the Board of Directors by establishing an annual work plan based on the functions assigned.
- Calling for meetings, directly or through the Secretary of the Board of Directors.
- e. Prepare the agenda for the meetings, in coordination with the President of the Corporation, the Secretary of the Board of Directors and the rest of the members.
- f. Supervise the delivery, in due time and proper form, of the information to the Members of the Board of Directors or through the Secretary of the Board of Directors.
- g. Chair meetings and handle debates.
- Supervise the execution of agreements of the Board of Directors and follow up on their decisions and mandates.
- Monitor the active participation of the members of the Board of Directors.
- j. Lead the annual process of assessing the Board of Directors and the Committee, except for his or her own evaluation.

## 2.12. Secretary of the Board of Directors (functions and key issues)

In March 2015, the Board of Directors appointed Dr. Claudia Echavarría Uribe as Secretary of the Board of Directors upon the resignation of her predecessor.

Pursuant to article 43 of the Corporate Bylaws, the following are functions of the Secretary of the Board of Directors:

- a. To keep, in accordance with the law, the books of Minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting and the Board of Directors, to draft the minutes and authorize with his or her signature any copies issued thereof.
- b. To be familiar with everything related to the issuance and authentication of share certificates and recording of minutes or documents in the corresponding Share Register.
- To communicate summons for meetings of the Board of Directors and the Shareholders' Meeting.
- d. Direct administration of the Company's documents and archives, and ensure that the books, instruments, titles, receipts and other elements entrusted to it are retained and conserved.
- e. Keep the Agenda, fulfilling the legal requirements, brand names, emblems, names and other rights that make up intellectual or commercial property; insurance policies, public instruments and other documents related to property, ownership or holding of assets and rights of the Company.

The Board Secretary, who is also the Secretary General of the Company, the General Meeting of Shareholders, the President and is the Company's Corporate Affairs Manager, in 2015, led the process of adopting and implementing the corporate governance standards contained in the new Corporate Best Practices Code, which culminated in their incorporation in this Corporate Governance Compendium.

#### 2.13. Relationships during the year of the Board of Directors with the Statutory Auditor, financial analysts, investment banks and rating and outside consulting agencies received by the Board of Directors.

The relationship between the Board of Directors and the Statutory Auditor was characterized by the active participation of the members of the Audit Committee in follow up in the process of auditing the quarterly financial statements and year-end statement conducted by the Tax Inspector, as well as the action plans proposed by the Administration given the opportunities for improvement identified in the corresponding reports. In each of the Audit Committee meetings, the statutory auditor reported her progress on the outside auditing plan, findings and recommendations in relation to the processes and accounting and financial systems, as well as follow up on compliance with the action plans proposed by the Administration.

During 2015, the Board of Directors received the advice of four investment banks, Bank of America, Merrill Lynch and Rothschild, who participated in the process of acquiring the subsidiaries in Brazil and Argentina; and Citi Global Markets and Credit Suisse, who advised the Company in the structuring of a real estate vehicle. In addition, it received advice on legal matters from Gomez-Pinzon Zuleta and Godoy & Hoyos Abogados.

#### 2.14. Handling of Board of Directors information

The information to be presented to the Board of Directors is prepared by the Senior Management, which is responsible for preparing presentations, summaries and support materials related to the meeting Agenda items, directly or with the aid of outside consultants.

This information is remitted to the members of the Board of Directors prior to each meeting, in order to give them time to review it before the meeting. However, it is not always possible to have all information five calendar days before the corresponding meeting.

Once each committee and Board of Directors meeting has adjourned, the secretaries of each are responsible to retain custody of the information and ensure that it is retained as support in drafting the meeting minutes, and when applicable, that it is contained in the minutes. Furthermore, the Vice President of Finance, as the person responsible to disclose the pertinent information to the market, is in charge of leading the disclosure process when the decisions made by the Board of Directors are relevant and merit disclosure.

#### 2.15. Activities of the Board of Directors Committees

#### **Audit and Risk Committee**

The Audit and Risk Committee oversees and supervises accounting, information and financial reporting processes; risk management; internal control system and architecture; internal auditing and statutory audit processes; compliance with laws and regulations and internal codes of conduct.

In 2015, the number of Committee members was increased from five to seven, including all independent members of the Board of Directors. In addition, the Committee had the required assistants to perform the assigned functions, such as President, Vice President of Finance and Administration, Internal Auditor, Statutory Auditor, Secretary General and Head of the Risk, Safety and Litigation Department, in charge of Comprehensive Risk Management and the Prevention of Money Laundering System compliance area; among other guests, depending on the proposed Agenda for the meeting.

The main aspects of the Committee's work were:

- Consideration of the interim and year-end Financial Statements, both individual and consolidated, and the principal financial indicators, prior to their presentation to the Board of Directors; including verification of the main changes in accounting policies and compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards.
- Revision of the methodology and strategic risk maps and by business, with their principal action plans.
   Evaluation of risk management, reported by Internal Auditing and the Statutory Auditor.
- The review, approval and follow up of the scope, methodology and annual plans of Internal Auditing and the Statutory Auditor, their results and the action plans agreed with Senior Management. In addition, completion of a performance evaluation.
- Analysis of significant transactions, with greater impact on the Financial Statements, including the prior review with advice from outside experts, of the acquisition transactions of the Grupo Pão de Açúcar Companies in Brazil and Libertad in Argentina. In addition, evaluation of transactions with related parties, with verification of their materiality, equal treatment among shareholders and their market conditions.
- Validation of the conditions for transmission of information to the Financial Superintendency of Colombia, based on the acquisition transaction and the required transition period.

- Review of advance reports from the Transparency Program, including approval of the implementation of an outside transparency line.
- Review of management reports from the Compliance Officer and reports of suspicious operations reported to the Financial Information and Analysis Unit (Unidad de Información y Análisis Financiero, UIAF) of the Financial Superintendency of Colombia.

Finally, the Committee reviewed and approved the modification of its Operating Regulations, keeping in mind the new corporate governance practices provided in the new Corporate Best Practices Code, adopted by the Company through the modification of its Bylaws and other internal corporate governance regulations.

## Appointment, Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee

The Committee followed up on the policies and main indicators related to human resources matters within the Company, including personnel expenses and employee and director variable compensation plans.

In addition, this Committee serves as support for the Board of Directors in defining the organizational structure to confront the challenges brought on by the new Group structure, as well as hiring a Technology Manager, and Vice President of Services, the latter a fundamental leader in the process of implementing a shared services center included under the Administration's synergy strategies.

Similarly, the Committee served as support to the Board of Directors in their nomination, evaluation and selection process, approving the nomination procedure and evaluation of candidates and conducting the evaluation, to give its recommendation to the Board of Directors on the proposal to be submitted to the General Meeting of Shareholders.

On the other hand, the Committee advanced the review of the proposed changes to the corporate governance rules prepared by the Secretary General, in application of the new Corporate Best Practices Code. The approval of the following matters related to corporate governance in 2015 are notable:

- Modification of the Corporate Bylaws to reflect the adoption of the measures recommended in the new Corporate Best Practices Code.
- Modification of the Meeting Rules.
- Board of Directors Succession Policy.
- Board of Directors Compensation Policy. The Conflict of Interest, Transactions with Related Parties and Use of Privileged Information Policy.



- Control Architecture Policy.
- Financial and Non-Financial Information Disclosure Policy.

Finally, the Committee led the process of declaring conflicts of interest of members of the Board of Directors and Senior Management, and evaluated the specific conflict of interest situations that arose during the year in relation to members of Senior Management.

#### **Investment Committee**

The work of the Investment Committee during 2015 was determined by following the principal and pertinent economic indicators for cash investment operations, and the cash position. The increase in the price of the dollar, following interest rates, application of the cash investment management policy and financial risk management, were matters the Committee addressed.

Likewise, it was in charge of reviewing indebtedness and debt refinancing alternatives, as well as analyzing the impacts that debt on the Company, following up on the obligations derived from loan contracts or covenants, and coverage in the case of exchange rate fluctuations.

#### **Expansion Committee**

The Expansion Committee was in charge of analyzing and evaluating 48 retail construction or renovation projects, made up mainly of hypermarkets, supermarkets and convenience or express stores and service stations, among those notably the Éxito brand stores identified as Mayorca, Fontanar Chía, Sabanalarga and La Guajira.

The Committee was also in charge of the study and analysis of eight real estate projects, made up mainly of commercial centers from the VIVA brand and galleries, among them the Commercial Centers Viva Wajiira and Viva Palmas, opened during 2015.

## 2.16. Information on the performance of the evaluation process of the Board of Directors and Senior Management, as well as a summary of the results

During 2015, the members of the Board of Directors were evaluated from the perspective of their selection and succession, which culminated in a recommendation from the Board of Directors to the General Meeting of Shareholders to select the current members.

The following was the report from that evaluation:

#### "Evaluation Report of Board of Directors candidates.

The candidates nominated by the Casino Group were evaluated from a comprehensive perspective based on an analysis of resumes based on the following criteria: level of education, management and direction aptitude, personal abilities, commitment and impartiality.

Furthermore, it was confirmed that none of them were involved in the disqualifications or incompatibilities described in article five of the Board of Directors Selection and Succession Policy, and those candidates as independent members meet the requirements contained in article 44 of Law 964 of 2005.

In relation to each of the candidates, the following was found:

#### **Independent Members**

#### 1. Luis Fernando Alarcón Mantilla

Has highly developed management abilities, strategy and valuable proposals for companies in the energy sector. His work as a member and Chairman of the boards of directors of well known companies in the country is notable. These traits have led to his receiving numerous distinctions and recognitions for his work.

#### 2. Luisa Fernanda Lafaurie Rivera

Has extensive and notable experience in the public sector and in highly relevant economic sectors in the country, as well as strategic management of government matters.

#### 3. Ana María Ibáñez Londoño

Extensive organizational, business, academic, research and government experience. Has knowledge and experience in the development of policies oriented toward sustainability and environmental matters.

#### 4. Felipe Ayerbe Muñoz

Her strength and experience in conciliation processes, and in the development of expansion strategies via mergers and acquisitions, both nationally and internationally, are notable. Recognized for her work as an attorney and adviser in international legal practices and international arbitration, traits that would allow her to contribute from a regulatory and legal perspective.

#### Non-Independent Members

#### 5. Arnaud Strasser

Has significant experience in the development of corporate strategies, investment and public policy, and strength in international development in the private sector, and outstanding ability in matters of management and diplomacy. Has had pertinent experience in family and childhood matters, items that assertively complement his profile in addressing matters with social impact as required for Grupo Éxito through the Foundation.

#### 6. Yves Desjacques

His experience in human resources matters, global development mobility policies, involvement in matters related to motivation and professional equality in the workplace, compensation, organizational structures, nomination and labor law is exceptional.

#### 7. Philippe Alarcon

His experience and knowledge in relation to retail operation strategies and real estate exploitation is outstanding, which would contribute value in expansions, brand consolidation, forms and the application of general retail concepts. He has the ability to communicate in multiple languages, different countries and to work in multicultural teams. He has excellent ability in directing strategic projects.

#### 8. Bernard Petit

Recognized for his abilities in developing financial management and international accounting strategies, as well as control of management and auditing. Also has an extensive history with the Casino group, which confirms his broad experience in the retail sector.

#### 9. Luis Carlos Uribe Jaramillo

Has a broad background in management, administration and strategy planning as well as national and international investing. In addition, has extensive experience as a member of various boards of directors of well known companies with a national presence.

Attached to this report, you will find the individual evaluations conducted on each of the candidates.

Analyzed as a group, the list of candidates shows is clearly a competitive, diverse, versatile and inclusive working team, with knowledge and experience in matters and sectors that may add effectiveness to the Company's strategic decisions. We note that the group has expertise in matters of interest to the Grupo Exito, in the attempt to achieve its Mega and in its future strategic direction. Finally, it was observed that the profiles of the work team are adequate, pertinent and sufficient to guaranty the continuity and strengthening of the multichannel strategy, as well as successful work in relation to the Company's international expansion goals.

Therefore, it can be affirmed that that the list of candidates will make up an efficient work team, which will have an adequate climate for communication amongst its members, and their relationship with the Company's Administration and Senior Management.

It is expressly stated that each of the Committee members abstained from evaluating and making a judgment on their resume, and making a resolution in relation to their own candidacy. Appointment, Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee."

The evaluation of the Board of Directors and its members for 2015 took place during February of 2016. The self-evaluation method was applied for each of the members, combined with the evaluation of the Board of Directors as a governing body by its Chairman of the Board of Directors, and the peer evaluation, that is, each member evaluated the other three members. The results were prepared by the Appointment, Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee and presented for informational purposes to the Board of Directors in order for planning for 2016 to take into consideration the opportunities for improvement identified not only in their makeup, but also in their operation.

#### 3. Operations with related parties

## 3.1. Attributes of the Board of Directors on this type of operations and conflict of interest situations

The Corporate Bylaws provide the following as functions of the Board of Directors in relation to conflicts of interest and transactions with related parties:

- Be aware of and manage conflicts of interest between the company and shareholders, members of the Board and Senior Management as well as approve policies for managing conflicts of interest and the use of insider information by any employee, and regulate such conflicts through the establishment and operation of a Committee for Conflicts of Interest.
- Define the rules that the company must follow for the evaluation and authorization of transactions performed by the company with: 1) controlling shareholders, major shareholders or ones that are represented in the Board of Directors; 2) members of the Board of Directors and other Managers or persons related to them, and 3) with the company groups to which they belong.

The conflict of interest provides that the members of the Board of Directors would also be competent to act as a Conflict of Interest Committee and, therefore, fulfill the duties of analyzing, evaluating and defining how such situations are managed, when the conflict of interest arises with respect to any members of the Board, in which the member in conflict will not participate. Furthermore, it was provided that if the conflict of interest arises with respect to the Chairman, the Operating Chairman and the Company's Vice Presidents, the Secretary General or the Internal Auditor, it would be heard by a committee made up of three members of the Board of Directors, which will be designated by the full Board for that purpose.



In relation to the handling of transactions between related parties, the revision by the Audit Committee for each of these was adopted as best corporate governance practice, in order to verify the conditions under which they take place, ensuring that they are done under market conditions and to the benefit of the Company.

Furthermore, insofar as this type of transactions involves a conflict of interest of any of the members of Senior Management based on their connection with the Casino Group, majority and controlling shareholder of Éxito, they are treated as provided for conflict of interest situations.

3.2. Detail of the most relevant operations with related parties in the Company's judgment, including operations among the companies of the Conglomerate. The main transaction between the related parties performed during 2015 was the acquisition by Casino Guichard-Perrachon S.A. of 50% of the stock capital of the French company Ségisor, which controls indirectly 99,9% of the shares carrying voting rights of GPA and 100% of the shares of Libertad.

Additionally, the operation concerning the grant of bonds to guarantee the obligations of Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S., a company which started its electronic business operations in 2014 and in which, the company owns 49% of the social capital, and Cdiscount Latam, a company which started its operations in 2015 in Panama, Uruguay and Ecuador, to its merchandise providers, was submitted for approval from the Committee on Conflict of Interests.

Likewise, during 2015 transactions were performed between the related parties, within their common line of business, among others, for the following:

- The sale of goods or merchandise to subsidiaries of Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S. and Gemex O & W S.A.S., which have produced some profits for the Company for a value of 35.025 million pesos.
- The provision of administrative services in favor of Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S., Gemex O & W S.A.S., Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S. and Patrimonios Autónomos, for a value of 2.661 million pesos.
- The provision of leasing services to Patrimonios Autónomos and Éxito Viajes y Turismo S.A.S. for the sum of 394 million pesos.

- Expenses for a value of 23.642 million pesos were incurred in corresponding to the provision of consultancy and technical assistance services, among others, provided by Casino Guichard-Perrachon S.A. and Geant International B.V.
- Purchases of merchandise from subsidiary Didetexco S.A. were made for a value of 127.087 million pesos. The sum of 27.603 million pesos was paid to the subsidiaries for leasing and administration, and the sum of 25.022 million pesos for the services received. Purchases of merchandise for a value of \$9.286 million pesos were made and payment for the services received for a value of 20.904 million pesos to companies part of the Casino Group.
- The alliance with Green Yellow, a subsidiary of Casino Group was continued, to save energy in our points of sale.

## 3.3. Conflicts of Interests Presented and Actions of Members of the Board of Directors

During 2015, in fulfillment of the mentioned rules of corporate government in point 3.1, the Committee of Conflict of Interests made up of those members of the Board of Directors not involved in a situation of conflict was made aware of the transaction among the related parties, which consisted of the acquisition of the investments in Brazil and Argentina from Casino Guichard-Perrachon S.A., whose evaluation required the following procedures that were complied with:

- a. The Committee of Auditing issued recommendations on the measures to be adopted by the Board of Directors to protect the interests of shareholders and verified the market conditions of the transaction.
- b. The Committee of Appointments, Remunerations and Corporate Government, because of the presence of conflicts of interests among some of the members of Management of the Company and of the Board of Directors, convened the Committee of Conflicts of Interests.
- c. The Committee of Conflicts of Interests was in session and recommended the Board of Directors the necessary measures to manage adequately the transaction among the related parties and the conflict of interests of Management. One of said measures entailed referring the decision on the transaction to the Assembly, according to what is stipulated in article 23 of Law 222 of 1995 to manage the conflict of interests and decide on the transactions.
- d. In the Board of Directors meeting, among other decisions, it was decided that when conflicts of interests arise between some of the members of Management, according to what is stipulated in article 23 of Law 222 of 1995, the transaction will be referred to the Shareholders General Assembly to decide on its approval.

e. On August 18, the Shareholders General Assembly approved by majority of their votes the proposal of transaction between related parties, having previously duly made a call and supplied enough information for shareholders to make a duly informed decision.

The Committee of Conflicts of Interests made up of three of the members of the Board of Directors, which are not those linked to the Casino Group, was in charge of the evaluation of the following transactions with the related parties because a conflict of interests arose among some of the members of Top Management:

- 1. The execution of a merchandise purchase international agreement from Monoprix S.A.
- Granting of bonds to guarantee the obligations of Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S. and Cdiscount Latam to its merchandise providers.

The members of the Board of Directors which were involved in a situation of conflict of interests abstained from participating in the meeting in which the presentation of this subject was carried out, along with its assessment, discussion and from voting for the corresponding decision-making.

3.4. Mechanisms to Solve Conflicts of Interests Among Companies of the Same Conglomerate and their Application During the Fiscal Year

The situations of conflict of interests between the companies of the Corporate Group were managed in compliance with the procedure for management of conflicts of interests described in item 3.1. Said situations corresponded to the transactions among the related parties described in items 3.2 and 3.3.

#### 4. Company or Conglomerate Risk Management System

4.1. Explanation of the Internal Control System [Sistema de Control Interno, SCI] of the Company or Conglomerate and its Modifications During the Fiscal Year.

The Company and Group Risk Comprehensive Risk Management System includes an Internal Control System which seeks the adequate management of situations that could have an impact on the fulfillment of its objectives.

Controls are involved in every level, process and areas of the Company and the Company Group, through a series of policies, principles, norms, procedures and mechanisms for verification and evaluation defined by the corresponding government bodies. Additionally, the Company has an Organizational Transformation Management Department, where operation models and organizational structure are permanently reviewed, including the design of the required controls to guarantee processes, projects and key information systems.

Some of the available mechanisms to achieve the risk control and management objectives are:

- The Self-Control Program, implemented for approximately the past 14 years, which recognizes the "capacity of people to consider control as an inherent part of their responsibilities, action fields, and decision-making." This programs involves a self-assessment performed by process leaders every six months of their most critical risks and key controls, and involves defining with the same frequency, corrective action plans when deviations are detected.
- The Transparency Program, under the Ethics Committee, made up by the Vice-President of Human Resources, Internal Auditor and General Secretary, which provides channels to report incidents, such as the Transparency Hotline 018000 52 25 26 or the email address etica@grupo-exito.com.

During 2015, the Internal Auditing Office, independently and objectively, performed an assessment based on risks, focusing on the achievement of the business objectives and the main projects of the Organization, including the risk, control and government management processes. The assessments included assurance, consulting and support processes in the Transparency and Investigation Program, for which recommendations were made and action plans defined along with Management and the process leaders, to improve the design and the gaps of the Internal Control System.

From its end, the Fiscal Control Office, headed by the auditing firm Ernst & Young Audit S.A.S., performed an external audit, which covered the accounting and financial processes and systems, the preparation and disclosure of financial information, the risks and internal control that have an impact on financial information and compliance with the legal regulations, corporate by-laws, and the decisions made by the Board of Directors.

In addition, the Board of Directors and the Committee for Auditing and Risks performed a surveillance and supervision of accounting, information and financial reporting processes; risk management; internal control system and architecture, including performance assessments of the Internal Auditing and Fiscal Control Offices; internal auditing and fiscal control processes; compliance of laws and regulations and internal codes of conduct.

The modifications performed to the internal control system of the Company included:

• Adjustment of the risk assessment methodology, both at the strategic level as well as tactical and operational, reaching a more robust and consolidated vision of the risk maps of the different business. This task also included the identification and definition by the Company's Management of treatment and management measures for the risks that were classified as of greatest relevance, whose implementation was attributed to the leaders of the processes and their work teams, since these are the main responsible persons and delegates of Management that can guarantee the implementation of the actions and proper execution of the controls.



- Among the implemented measures was the restructuring and strengthening of the Financial Management area, focusing efforts on business financial management control.
- Significant changes in the organizational structure, which allowed the Company to respond to different action fronts required by the expansion in Latin America and that implied the definition of new processes and responsibilities in control matters.
- Changes in the internal control structure with the purpose of adapting said system according to the best current corporate government practices. Control architecture design and transparency policies, conflicts of interest, use of privileged information and gift receiving were updated, and a policy for transactions between related parties was defined. All of these corporate government norms were added to a new updated version of the Company's Corporate Government Compendium.
- A new self-control specialized software was implemented, which allowed a comprehensive and consolidated vision of the self-assessments, information traceability, greater efficiency in periodical assessments, and reports and indicators for the different levels of the Organization.
- An Operational Committee was created to fight against fraud and corruption in order to perform an effective investigation and management of the reported cases, of the implementation of information systems for the registration of events against the transparency policies and the annual statements of conflicts of interests from Top Managements, and of key positions in the operation, definition and communication of investigating and responding mechanisms for inappropriate or fraudulent conducts.

## 4.2. Description of Risk Policy and its Application During the Fiscal Year

The Risk Comprehensive Management Policy is based on the definition of the methodology for the identification, evaluation, management and monitoring of the risks identified by Management and employees of the Company which head its processes. It includes all of the risks faced by the Company, and is an integral part of the management responsibilities of its employees and administrators, as well as of all processes, businesses and projects.

As part of this policy the roles and responsibilities of the recipients of this policy were identified, as follows:

- The Board of Directors is the government body in charge of approving the policy as well as of periodically monitoring the Company's main risks, including those assumed by off-balance operations, of establishing maximum exposure limits to each identified risk, of periodically supervising effective exposure of the Company to the maximum risk limits defined, and of proposing corrective and follow-up measures in case of deviations.
- The Auditing and Risks Committee assists the Board of Directors in carrying out its supervision responsibilities in regards to risk management, by giving the Board of Directors, Top Management and Internal Auditing Office recommendations for the case on the matter.
- Top Management is in charge of directing the implementation and maintenance of the Risk Comprehensive Management System.
- Process leaders are in charge of risk managements, of the specific identification, assessment, measuring, control and monitoring activities and risk reports, and of the assurance of consistency between risk management and the strategy for it, the current risk policy and the maximum exposure limited defined.
- The Corporate Affairs Management Office has within its structure the Risks, Insurances and Disputes Comprehensive Management Department, which takes on as part of its functions, the development of risk awareness, leadership, support and follow-up on implementation and dissemination of the Risk Management Policy.
- The Internal Auditing Office, from its end, is in charge of auditing risk management processes.

By the by-laws amendment approved last March of 2015, the Auditing and Risks Committee of the Board of Directors was given the functions related to the supervision of the risk management.

Additionally, the Internal Risk Committee, which meets every three months and is made up of the following people: directors of the Internal Auditing Office, Resource Protection, Treasury, Human Management and Financial Planning; the heads of Food Quality, Productivity and Retail Management, Computer Information and Risks, Insurances and Disputes Department.

The main role of this committee is supporting the integration of risk management through centralized management and compliance of the guidelines provided by the Auditing and Risks Committee of the Board of Directors. The methodology established by norm ISO 31000 was unified as the methodology to be applied in the Company for business risk management, key processes and projects, and the risks for each business and the tendency and risk model were identified, allowing Management to define strategic risks and action plan for reducing them.

Finally, adjustments were made to the control architecture structure according to the best corporate government practices.

#### 4.3. Materialization of Risks During Fiscal Year

During 2015, some of risks to which the Company and its operation on its regular line of business are exposed were materialized.

Mainly, the risks of natural events were materialized, as a result of a wind storm that affected the building's structure where the Éxito Las Flores shop carries out its business in the city of Valledupar. From the technical assessment it was concluded that its reconstruction was necessary. At the time of this event, this risk was transferred to an all-risk policy currently retained by Éxito Group, and therefore the Company is in process of adjusting the estate damages suffered.

On the other hands, fraud and reduction risks (reduction of inventory for damages or unknown causes) characterized for being frequent risks which require permanent management were also materialized during 2015.

None of these events, individually or as a group, had a significant impact on the estate or on the adequate processing and disclosure of the Company's financial information.

#### 4.4. Response and Supervision Plans for Main Risks

During 2015 action plans were drawn up for those risks identified as needing strategic level management. Below appear the risks of greatest impact and with materialization probabilities between probable and possible:

RISK	ACTION PLAN	
Reduction	<ol> <li>Continue with the awareness project through the loss prevention campaign to strengthen the prevention culture and quality of information.</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>Weekly monitoring of the numbers of the known reduction (damages) by the Margin and Inventory Committee.</li> </ol>	
	<ol><li>Creation of the Reduction Executive Committee.</li></ol>	

Legal risks
associated to
subcontracting
or outsourcing

- Define requisites to hire individuals.
- Training for contract management and handling relationships with third-party employees.
- 3. Risk transfers by insuring it.

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### Improvement plans were established for customers based on:

Field tasks to perform service improvement activities in payment receiving positions.

- Creation of single ALAS in payment receiving positions.
- Simplification of activities and increase of agility of registries in payment receiving positions.
- 4. Creation of areas for different payments of specialized services.
- 4. 5. Activities to improve branding process.
- 6. Review of lost customers.
- 7. Monthly committee of productivity and service projects.
- 7. 8. Monthly report after hearing the customer.
- 9. Permanent monitoring of news about the Company and its presence on social media.
- 10. Communication emergency and crisis services protocols of the Company.
- 10. 11. Timely service and follow-up to responses from third-party Petitions, Complaints, and Claims [Peticiones, Quejas y Reclamos, PQR].
- 11. 12. Emergency care to visitors through a provider.
- 12. 13. Creation of Civil Liability Committee: Meetings every six months. Attended by representatives from: Customer Service, Comprehensive Health Care, Quality, Resources, Risks and Insurances Protection. The main goal of the Committee is to define the strategies for civil liability case management, provide indicators and follow-up to the main disputes in this field.

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### The following action plans have been developed for investors:

- Road shows with investors: held as needed, and led by the Presidency, Financial Vice-Presidency and Investor Service and Relations Office.
- Implementation of campaigns to guarantee strict observance of corporate government norms, and guidelines from the General Secretary's Office.
- Fair communication of information for investors: Through communication channels of the Organization relevant information is provided, which is published on the website, both for investors and as well as for the general market.
- Regular follow-up meetings with regulatory agencies. These are conducted by Investor Relations together with the Legal Department and the Financial Vice-Presidency.



Disclosure of confidential information

- Communication campaign on the handling of sensitive information, coordinated by the Information Security area.
- Implementation of the database security project for the protection of customer data.

#### 5. General Assembly of Shareholders

## 5.1. Differences in the operation of the Assembly between the minimum regime of the current laws and that defined by the Company Bylaws and Assembly regulations

The differences in the operation of the Assembly of Shareholders between the minimum regime stipulated in the current laws and the Company Bylaws and Assembly regulations are the following:

- The term for calling the meetings of the Assembly of Shareholders is longer than the minimum required by the current laws. The Company Bylaws and Assembly regulations provide for a term of thirty (30) calendar days to call ordinary meetings, and fifteen (15) calendar days for extraordinary meetings.
- The Assembly regulations defined the time when the meeting of the Assembly of Shareholders on their own right would be held.
- The Company Bylaws and Assembly regulations provide for the right to information, consisting of giving the shareholders the opportunity to propose additions to the Agenda of the meetings, ask questions, or request clarifications. They also allow shareholders to submit other proposals for decision to the other shareholders, and that these proposals be published on the Company website.
- In order to facilitate shareholder participation, the Assembly regulations provide for the obligation of the Company, which is fulfilled, to publish on its website a proxy model including the voting power in relation to each one of the items on the Agenda, so that shareholders can indicate their voting interests to their representatives.
- And the actions referred to in section 5.2.

## 5.2. Actions taken during the year to foster shareholder participation

During the year 2015, actions aimed at ensuring the provision of complete and timely information to shareholders well in advance of the meetings of the Assembly of Shareholders were adopted into the Company Bylaws and Corporate Governance Policies in order to foster shareholder participation. These actions include:

 The inclusion of the shareholders' right to information, which allows them to:

- Propose in a well-founded manner the introduction of one or more items to the Agenda of the General Assembly of Shareholders.
- Submit in a well-founded manner new proposals for decision about items already included in the Agenda.
- Request information or make inquiries about the items included in the Agenda.
- The publication of proxy models on the website to facilitate the shareholders' appointment of representatives to attend meetings, ensuring compliance with the requirements of such proxies and the content of the shareholders' voting interests.

#### 5.3. Information for and communication with shareholders

During the year 2015, the Company website, and particularly the site for investors and relevant information, became the primary means of communication with shareholders. Information relating to the decisions of the Board of Directors, proposals for the Assembly of Shareholders and supporting information, as well as other relevant information are published there.

At each one of the meetings of the Assembly of Shareholders held during the year, the following documents were published:

#### Ordinary meeting held on March 17, 2015:

- Proposal of occasional reserve for dividend stability.
- Proposal by means of which an authorization is granted on donation matters.
- Proposal of Policy on the Election and Succession of the Board of Directors.
- · Proposal on the distribution of profits.
- Proposal to amend the regulations of the General Assembly of Shareholders of Almacenes Éxito S.A.
- Proposal to amend the Company Bylaws of Almacenes Éxito S.A.

#### Extraordinary meeting held on June 11, 2015:

- Proposal of a list of nominees for the election of the Board of Directors, along with the resumes of the nominated candidates, their letter of acceptance of the position, and the independence questionnaire for the candidates for independent members.
- Result of the candidate evaluation conducted by the Appointment, Compensation and Corporate Governance Committee, approved by the Board of Directors.
- Proposal of Policy of Compensation of the Board of Directors.

#### Extraordinary meeting held on August 18, 2015:

- Proposal relating to the acquisition transaction.
- Presentation with the description of the regional expansion transaction, its justification and the benefits that would be obtained from its success.
- Presentation about the transaction for investors and interest groups.
- Fairness Opinion prepared by Bank of America Merrill Lynch investment bank, presentation explaining the Fairness Opinion, and credentials and presentation on the experience and track record of the investment bank.
- Response to filed request 2015078547 answering the specific questions asked by some shareholders.
- Rothschild assessment report.
- Extract from the Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on July 29, 2015.
- Key aspects of Due Diligence and findings.
- Key aspects of share purchase agreements, shareholders agreements and funding agreements.

Regarding relevant information, 66 press releases were published, informing the market about the relevant decisions of the Board of Directors and the Assembly of Shareholders, the execution or amendment of relevant agreements, and the quarterly and annual results of the Company, among other issues.

Likewise, the teleconferences on results and *Non-Deal Road Shows* were one of the main communication strategies implemented by the Office of Shareholder and Investor Services. A total of four teleconferences on annual and quarterly results and one teleconference to socialize the application and restate financial statements for the year 2014 under International Accounting Standards were held. In addition, the following events were conducted:

- 7 meetings with local brokerage firms for quarterly results and information of the acquisition of Brazil and Argentina.
- 18 international conferences in the United States, Brazil, France, England, Scotland, Chile and Colombia.
- 1 meeting with a rating agency in March 2015.
- 50 meetings with investment funds, pension funds and analysts at the offices of the Company.

#### 5.4. Number of applications and issues on which shareholders have requested information to the Company.

During 2015 the Company received about 21 requests from shareholders, some of these directly and others through the Financial Superintendence of Colombia.

The topics discussed in said requests were:

- Information on the value of dividends for shareholders and the process for its payment.
- Authorization to replace titles.
- Information about the transaction for the acquisition of investments in Brazil and Argentina and corporate governance procedures implemented for approval by the governing bodies of the Company.
- Inclusion of new items on the agenda of Shareholders Meeting.
- The provision of extracts from records and financial statements.
- All requests were met within the terms set forth in applicable regulations or granted, as appropriate.

#### 5.5. Records of attendance of the General Assembly of Shareholders.

Below is detailed information on attendance of the Shareholders General Assembly held during 2015:

TYPE OF MEETING	DATE	ATTENDEES SHAREHOLDERS REPRESENTED		QUORUM
Ordinary	March 17	226	572	88,24%
Extraordinary	June 11	23	357	89,37%
Extraordinary	August 18	37	380	90,62%

#### 5.6. Details on main decisions of the Assembly

#### Regular meeting March 17, 2015:

Approval of:

- a. Management Report of the Board and of the Presidency, of individual and consolidated financial statements cut on December 31, 2014, together with its annexes and other documents legally required.
- b. The following profit distribution proposal:
  - Allocate net profits for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2014, which amounts to the sum of 458.865.397.541 as follows:
    - Allocate to increase the reserve called "Future developments and improvements" the sum of 198.843.098.200 pesos.
    - Distribute, by way of dividend, the amount of net income corresponding to the year 2014, the sum of 260.022.299.251 pesos.



- Thus, decreed by way of a cash dividend, the sum of 145,23 per share and per quarter, for the 447.604.316 shares of the company, which reaches the sum of 260.022.299.251 pesos.
- c. The authorization to the Directors of the Company so that during fiscal year 2015 2016 distributes appropriation of net income of the year allocated to the reserve for expansion, and based on the decision of the Board, proceed to donate to organizations of common benefit, foundations, corporations, individuals or legal entities, the sum of 2.870.000.000 pesos.
- d. The partial reform of the Company's Bylaws, based on the modification of amendments to Articles 16, 18, 20, 20 bis, 26, 27, 28, 31 to 40, 52, 54, 58a, 59, 60 and the introduction of Article 61, in accordance with the provisions of the new Code of Best Corporate Practices.
- e. The modification of Articles 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 12 to 15 of the Regulations of the General Shareholders Meeting of Almacenes Éxito SA as a result of the modifications made to the bylaws.
- f. Adoption of the Election & Succession policy of the Board
- The creation of an occasional reserve to maintain the stability of the dividend, amounting to 30.000 million pesos in profits that make up the occasional reserve for future expansion and improvements, which may be distributed as tax free dividends to shareholders.

#### Extraordinary meeting June 11, 2015:

 Appointment of the Board of Directors composed of the following members:

#### Independent members:

- 1. Luis Fernando Alarcón Mantilla.
- 2. Luisa Fernanda Lafaurie Rivera.
- 3. Ana María Ibáñez Londoño.
- 4. Felipe Ayerbe Muñoz.

#### Non-independent members:

- 1. Arnaud Strasser.
- 2. Yves Desjacques.
- 3. Philippe Alarcon.
- 4. Bernard Petit.
- 5. Luis Carlos Uribe Jaramillo.
- Approval of the Board's Remuneration Policy that shall be applied to fees of Board members and their respective committees from the statutory period beginning in 2016.

#### Extraordinary meeting August 18, 2015:

- Approval, under the terms described in the various materials made available to shareholders of a transaction consisting in:
  - a. The acquisition of 50% share capital of the French society Ségisor to Casino, which indirectly controls 99,9% of voting shares of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuicáo (GPA). Thus, Éxito would have 50% of shares with voting rights of GPA, equivalent to 18,8% of the share capital of GPA. The investment would have a total value of USD 1.536.338.022. Éxito will enjoy special rights in order to consolidate the overall financial statements of GPA.
  - The indirect acquisition of 100% of the shares of Libertad to Casino, for an enterprise value of USD 270 million, plus available cash at the closing date estimated that could reach USD 20 million.
- Authorize the Legal Representative of the Company to perform all acts and enter into all contracts required to materialize the aforementioned transaction, and ratify the already signed contracts, including agreements for the financing of the transaction signed with local and international banks, and Casino shareholders agreements relating to corporate governance at GPA and Ségisor, as well as purchase options contained therein in case of nationalization of a party or change of control in Éxito.



#### Statutory Auditor's Report

To the Shareholders of Almacenes Éxito S.A. and Subsidiary companies

I have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Almacenes Éxito S.A. and its subsidiary companies, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2015 and the corresponding consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended, and the summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

The Company's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements, in accordance with accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, as described in note 2 of the accompanying financial statements, of designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements whether due to fraud or error; and selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies and making estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on my audit. I obtained the necessary information to comply with my functions and performed my examinations in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in Colombia. These standards require that an audit meets ethical requirements and is planned and performed to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit includes developing procedures to obtain the evidence supporting amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risk of material misstatements in the financial statements. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers the internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting principles used and the reasonableness of significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my audit opinion.

In my opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Group at December 31, 2015, the results of its operations, and the cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, as stated in note 2 to the accompanying financial statements.



As explained in note 5 to the accompanying financial statements, for the consolidation of the subsidiaries acquired in Brazil and Argentina, which represent 70.3% and 1.9% of the assets and 59.8% and 1.9% of operating revenues, respectively, provisional values were used at the acquisition date; these values will be feasible of changes and adjustments as the process of assignment of the purchase price is completed and determined. The assignment of the purchase price is being developed and the International Financial Reporting Standard 3 (IFRS 3 Business combinations) permits adjustments to provisional values until one year after the acquisition date of each subsidiary.

Śandra Milena Buitrago E.

Statutory Auditor

Professional Card No. 67229-T

Designated by Ernst & Young Audit S.A.S. TR-530

Medellín, Colombia February 29, 2016 Certification by the Company's Legal Representative and Head Accountant

To

THE GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF ALMACENES ÉXITO S.A. Envigado

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE AND CPA AT THE PARENT ALMACENES ÉXITO S.A., EACH OF US DISCHARGING HIS AND HER AUTHORITY

#### DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That we have previously verified the assertions contained in the financial statements of the Parent and its subsidiaries at December 31, 2015 and 2014, pursuant to the regulations, and that such have been fairly taken from the books.

Accordingly, we state the following regarding the mentioned financial statements:

- 1. The Parent's and subsidiaries' assets and liabilities do exist and the operations recorded were carried out during the relevant year.
- 2. All economic events occurred have been recognized.
- 3. Assets represent rights acquired and liabilities represent obligations imposed on the Parent and its subsidiaries.
- 4. All items have been recognized at proper values.
- 5. All economic events have been properly classified, described and disclosed.

The above, to comply with section 37 of Law 222 of 1995.

In witness whereof, we execute this certification on Februry 24th, 2016.

Carlos Mario Giraldo Moreno

Legal Representative at Almacenes Éxito S.A.

Claudia Patricia Álvarez Agudelo

Vandea Patricia Ulvanz

CPA at Almacenes Éxito S.A.

Professional Card No. 69447-T



#### Certification of consolidated financial statements Law 964 of 2005

To
THE GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF ALMACENES ÉXITO S.A.
Envigado

I, THE UNDERSIGNED LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PARENT ALMACENES ÉXITO S.A.

#### DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That the financial statements and the operations of the Parent and its subsidiaries at December 31, 2015 and 2014 are free of defects, inaccuracies or misstatements that prevent users from gaining awareness of the true financial position thereof.

The above, to comply with section 46 of Law 964 of 2005.

In witness whereof, we execute this certification on Februry 24th, 2016.

Carlos Mario Giraldo Moreno

Legal Representative at Almacenes Éxito S.A.

#### Consolidated statements of financial position

At December 31, 2015 and 2014, and January 1, 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

Assets	Notes	2015	2014	January 2014
O				
Current assets	7	40.000.747	0.052.020	0.747.400
Cash and cash equivalents	7	10,068,717	2,953,938	2,717,162
Trade receivables and other accounts receivable	8	3,326,474	202,309	219,201
Prepaid expenses		166,892	27,012	17,030
Accounts receivable from related parties	9	63,251	52,862	23,273
Inventories	10	8,702,015	1,244,231	1,012,723
Tax assets	22	1,100,323	93,877	111,689
Other financial assets	11	445,365	25,119	1,977
Non-current assets held for trading	12	21,698	6,740	-
Total current assets		23,894,735	4,606,088	4,103,055
Non-current assets				
Property, plant and equipment, net	13	11,951,037	3,005,793	2,934,314
Investment property, net	14	1,083,600	754,775	647,815
Goodwill	15	6,522,208	1,592,133	1,391,543
Intangible assets other than goodwill, net	16	3,706,065	82,070	79,829
Investments accounted for using the equity method, net	17	304,102	1,052,157	996,853
Trade receivables and other accounts receivable	8	591,960	16,681	16,041
Prepaid expenses		57,576	12,919	14,978
Accounts receivable from related parties	9	245,987	-	-
Deferred tax assets	22	524,828	28,719	53,151
Tax assets	22	1,941,626	-	-
Other financial assets	11	1,134,331	147,100	138,385
Other non-financial assets		398	398	398
Total non-current assets		28,063,718	6,692,745	6,273,307
Total assets		51,958,453	11,298,833	10,376,362

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#### Consolidated statements of financial position

At December 31, 2015 and 2014, and January 1, 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

Liabilities and shareholders' equity	Notes	2015	2014	January 2014
Current liabilities				
Financial liabilities	18	3,922,558	7.917	98,640
Employee benefit provisions	19	4,141	5,420	5,930
Other provisions	20	62,919	50,796	34,668
Trade payables and other accounts payable	21	18,336,741	2,646,415	2,035,052
Accounts payable to related parties	9	688,637	63,827	75,033
Tax Liabilities	22	899,029	107,823	187,955
Other financial liabilities	23	32,602	158,085	14,409
Other non-financial liabilities		•	,	•
	24	849,766	79,361	75,078
Total current liabilities		24,796,393	3,119,644	2,526,765
Non-current liabilities				
Financial liabilities	18	6,707,561	36,416	4,996
Employee benefit provisions	19	41,231	42,775	41,846
Other provisions	20	1,124,682	13,214	-
Trade payables and other accounts payable	21	34,189	572	487
Accounts payable to related parties	9	12,704	-	-
Deferred tax liabilities	22	1,206,422	54,858	8,075
Tax Liabilities	22	455,355	· -	-
Other financial liabilities	23	714,079	-	137,699
Other non-financial liabilities	24	1,036,782	51,588	53,688
Total non-current liabilities		11,333,005	199,423	246,791
Total liabilities		36,129,398	3,319,067	2,773,556
Shareholders' equity, see attached statement	25 and 26	15,829,055	7,979,766	7,602,806
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity		51,958,453	11,298,833	10,376,362

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#### Consolidated statements of income

For the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

	Notes	2015	2014
Continuing operations			
Revenue from ordinary activities	28	33,402,211	10,484,822
Cost of sales	29	(25,147,776)	(7,855,400)
Gross profit		8,254,435	2,629,422
Distribution expenses	30	(3,309,466)	(1,009,657)
Administration and sales expenses	30	(517,471)	(198,829)
Employee benefit expenses		(2,922,013)	(803,649)
Other operating revenue	31	44,836	13,985
Other operating expense	31	(248,383)	(27,147)
Other profits, net	31	54,869	1,192
Profit from operating activities		1,356,807	605,317
Financial revenue	32	1,224,071	211,332
Financial expenses	32	(1,628,308)	(154,970)
Share of profits in associates and joint ventures that are accounted for using the equity method		18,359	30,104
Profit from continuing operations before income tax		970,929	691,783
Tax expense	22	(398,428)	(179,750)
Net period profit from continuing operations		572,501	512,033
Profit attributable to:			
Profit attributable to shareholders of the controlling entity		573,495	499,430
(Loss) profit attributable to non-controlling interests		(994)	12,603
Profit per share (*)			
Basic profit per share (*):			
Basic profit per share from continuing operations	33	1,281.26	1,115.79
Diluted profit per share (*):			
Diluted profit per share from continuing operations	33	1,281.26	1,115.79

<sup>(\*)</sup> Amounts expressed in Colombian pesos.

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#### Consolidated statements of comprehensive income

For the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

	Notes	2015	2014
Net period profit		572,501	512,033
Other comprehensive income for the period			
Components of other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified to period results, net of taxes			
Loss from investments in equity instruments	26.1	-	(2,677)
Profit from new measurement of defined benefit plans	26.1	1,839	(135)
Total other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified to period results, net of taxes		1,839	(2,812)
Components of other comprehensive income that will be reclassified to period results, net of taxes			
(Loss) gain from translation exchange differences	26.1	(998,815)	42,824
Grain from investment hedging in foreign businesses	26.1	902	-
Share of other comprehensive income of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method that will be reclassified to period results	26.1	(3,972)	27,498
Total other comprehensive income that will be reclassified to period results, net of taxes		(1,001,885)	70,322
Total other comprehensive income	26.1	(1,000,046)	67,510
Total comprehensive income		(427,545)	579,543
Profit (loss), attributable to:			
Profit attributable to shareholders of the controlling entity		122,029	565,892
(Loss) profit attributable to non-controlling interests		(549,574)	13,651
Profit per share (*)			
Basic profit per share (*):			
Basic profit per share in total comprehensive income	33	272.63	1,264.27
Diluted profit per share (*):			
Diluted profit per share in total comprehensive income	33	272.63	1,264.27

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# Consolidated statements of cash flows

For the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

	2015	2014
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net period profit	572,501	512,033
Period profit reconciliation adjustment		
Income tax	398,428	179,749
Financial costs	487,147	19,958
Financial revenue	(46,933)	(77,784)
Increase in inventories	(457,897)	(224,831)
Decrease in trade receivables	1,560,171	17,577
Increase in other accounts receivable from operating activities	(66)	(59,143)
Increase in trade receivables	5,892,300	405,089
Increase in deposits and legal deposits	1,292	-
Increase in other accounts receivable from operating activities	783,980	24,299
Depreciation and amortization of fixed assets and intangible assets	562,215	220,961
Impairment of value recognized in period results	-	-
Provisions	490,445	43,697
Net unrealized loss from exchange difference	(216,131)	10,340
Share-based payments	6,469	-
Gain from reappraisal at fair value	(27,988)	-
Undistributed profit from the application of the equity method	(18,360)	(30,104)
Other adjustment from items other than cash	57,196	34,582
Gain from the disposition of non-current assets	(78,181)	(21,367)
Other profit reconciliation adjustments	22,292	-
Total period profit reconciliation adjustment	9,416,379	543,023
Net cash flows from operating activities	9,988,880	1,055,056
Dividends received	109,674	
Income tax paid	(209,565)	(107,871)
Net cash flows from operating activities	9,888,989	947,185
Net cash flows used in investment activities		
Cash flows from the loss of control of subsidiaries or other businesses	34,952	-
Cash flows used to gain control of subsidiaries or other businesses	(3,876,606)	(137,404)
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment	72,320	49,219
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(1,054,194)	(295,902)
Proceeds from the sale of intangible assets	89,358	2,340
Purchase of intangible assets	(559,150)	(96,115)
Resources from the sale of other assets - long term	9,225	33
Cash advances and loans to third parties.	221	(137)
Interest received	52,998	77,699
Other cash outflows	10,616	(2,910)
Net cash flows used in investment activities	(5,220,260)	(403,177)



## Consolidated statements of cash flows

For the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

	2015	2014
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities		
Proceedings from the issue of shares	102	-
Loans received	6,313,526	-
Repayment of financial liabilities	(3,417,158)	(96,706)
Repayment of finance lease liabilities	(956)	(2,108)
Dividends paid	(283,715)	(237,557)
Interest paid	(105,107)	(19,611)
Net cash flows from (used in) financing activities	2,506,692	(355,982)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents, before the effect of changes in exchange rates	7,175,421	188,026
Effects of the variation in the exchange rate on cash and cash equivalents	(10,817)	11,007
Minority interest adjustment	(49,825)	37,743
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	7,114,779	236,776
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of period	2,953,938	2,717,162
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of period	10,068,717	2,953,938

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# Consolidated statements of changes in shareholders' equity

At December 31, 2015 and 2014, and January 1, 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

			_			Other re	eserves							
	Issued share capital	Premium on the issue of shares	Own shares repurchased	Legal reserve	Occasional reserve	Reacquisition of shares	Future dividends	Other accumulated comprehensive income	Total reserves	Retained earnings	Other equity components	Total equity of the controlling entity	Changes in non-controlling interests	Total in net equity
Balance at January 1, 2014	4,482	4,843,466	(2,734)	7,857	988,567	22,000	1,419	(2,976)	1,016,867	1,516,312	-	7,378,393	224,413	7,602,806
Cash dividend declared	-	-	-	-	(42,720)	-	-	-	(42,720)	(194,958)	-	(237,678)	(7,958)	(245,636)
Net period profit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	499,430	-	499,430	12,603	512,033
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66,462	66,462	-	-	66,462	1,048	67,510
Appropriation for reserves	-	-	-	-	243,449	-	-	-	243,449	(243,449)	-	-	-	-
Decrease from changes in interests in subsidiaries that do not result in loss of control	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(588)	(1,012)	(1,600)	(443)	(2,043)
Increase from other contributions of non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46,767	46,767
Decrease from other distributions to non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,671)	(1,671)
Balance at December 31, 2014	4,482	4,843,466	(2,734)	7,857	1,189,296	22,000	1,419	63,486	1,284,058	1,576,747	(1,012)	7,705,007	274,759	7,979,766

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Cash dividend declared	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(260,022)	-	(260,022)	(60,430)	(320,452)
Net period profit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	573,495	-	573,495	(994)	572,501
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(451,466)	(451,466)	-	-	(451,466)	(548,580)	(1,000,046)
Appropriation for reserves	-	-	-	-	168,844	-	30,000	-	198,844	(198,844)	-	-	-	-
Increase from business combinations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,677	2,677	(2,119)	-	558	8,642,475	8,643,033
Decrease from changes in interests in subsidiaries that do not result in loss of control	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	(40,004)	(39,985)	(36,134)	(76,119)
Increase from other contributions of non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28,135	28,135
Decrease from other distributions to non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	(4,232)	(4,232)
Increase from share-based payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	895	-	895	5,574	6,469
Balance at December 31, 2015	4,482	4,843,466	(2,734)	7,857	1,358,140	22,000	31,419	(385,303)	1,034,113	1,690,171	(41,016)	7,528,482	8,300,573	15,829,055

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## Grupo Éxito

### Notes to the consolidated financial statements

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#### Note 1. General information

Almacenes Éxito S.A., the Parent company, was incorporated pursuant to Colombian laws on March 24, 1950; its main place of business is at carrera 48 No. 32B Sur - 139, Municipality of Envigado in the department of Antioquia. The life span of the Company goes to December 31, 2050.

The Parent is under the surveillance of the Colombian Financial Superintendence.

The Group's Board of Directors authorized the issuance of the financial statements of Almacenes Éxito S.A. and its subsidiaries (hereinafter, the "Group"), for the periods ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, as reflected in the Minutes of such corporate body dated February 24, 2016.

Its main corporate purpose is:

- Acquire, store, transform and, in general, distribute and sell under any trading figure, including funding thereof, all kinds of goods and products, produced either locally or abroad, on a wholesale or retail basis, physically or online.
- Provide supplementary services, namely grant credit facilities for the acquisition of goods, grant insurance coverage, carry out money transfers and remittances, provide mobile phone services, trade tourist package trips and tickets, repair and maintain furnishings, complete paperwork.
- Give or receive in lease trade premises, receive or give in lease or under occupancy, spaces or points of sale or commerce within its trade establishments intended for the exploitation of businesses of distribution of goods or products, and the provision of ancillary services.
- Incorporate, fund or promote with other individuals or legal entities, enterprises or businesses intended for the manufacturing of objects, goods, articles or the provision of services related with the exploitation of trade establishments.
- Acquire property, build commercial premises intended for establishing stores, malls or other locations suitable for the distribution of goods, without prejudice to the possibility of disposing of entire floors or commercial premises, give them in lease or use them in any convenient manner with a rational exploitation of land approach, as well as invest in property, promote and develop all kinds of real estate projects.
- Invest resources to acquire shares, bonds, trade papers and other securities of free movement in the market to take advantage of tax incentives established by law, as well as make temporary investments in highly liquid securities with a purpose of short-term productive exploitation; enter into firm factoring agreements using its own resources; encumber its chattels or property and enter into financial transactions that enable it to acquire funds or other assets.
- In the capacity as wholesaler or retailer, distribute oil-based liquid fuels, through automotive service stations, alcohols, biofuels, natural gas for vehicles and any other fuels used in the automotive, industrial, fluvial, maritime and air transport sectors, of all kinds.

The Company's ultimate controlling entity is Casino Guichard Perrachon (France). The control situation has been registered with the Aburrá Sur Chamber of Commerce. At December 31, 2015, the controlling entity had a 54.77% interest in the share capital of the Parent company.

The Parent Company, Almacenes Éxito S.A., registered before the Aburrá Sur Chamber of Commerce a situation of entrepreneurial Group regarding its subsidiaries.

Below is a detail of information on the subsidiary companies:



				Stoc	Stock ownership 2015		Stock o	ownership	2014
Name	Segment	Country	Functional currency	Direct	Indirect	Total	Direct	Indirect	Total
Distribuidora de Textiles y	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	94.00%	3.75%	97.75%	94.00%	3.75%	97.75%
Éxito Viajes y Turismo S.A.S	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	51.00%	0.00%	51.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S.	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Gemex O & W S.A.S.	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	85.00%	0.00%	85.00%	85.00%	0.00%	85.00%
Carulla Vivero Holding Inc.	Colombia	British Virgin	US Dollar	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S.	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Laureles	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	80.00%	0.00%	80.00%	80.00%	0.00%	80.00%
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Sincelejo	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	51.00%	0.00%	51.00%	51.00%	0.00%	51.00%
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	51.00%	0.00%	51.00%	51.00%	0.00%	51.00%
Patrimonio Autónomo San Pedro Etapa	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	51.00%	0.00%	51.00%	51.00%	0.00%	51.00%
Patrimonio Autónomo Centro Comercial	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	51.00%	0.00%	51.00%	51.00%	0.00%	51.00%
Patrimonio Autónomo lw ana	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	51.00%	0.00%	51.00%	51.00%	0.00%	51.00%
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Barranquilla	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	92.52%	0.00%	92.52%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Palmas	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	51.00%	0.00%	51.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Fideicomiso Girardot plot of land	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Patrimonio Autónomo Local 108	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Wajira	Colombia	Colombia	Colombian peso	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Spice Investment Mercosur S.A.	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Larenco S.A.	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Geant Inversiones S.A.	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Lanin S.A.	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	96.81%	96.81%
Dev oto Hermanos S.A.	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	96.81%	96.81%
Lublo S.A.	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	96.81%	96.81%
Mercados Devoto S.A.	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Raxwy Company S.A. (a)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Grupo Disco del Uruguay S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%
Supermercados Disco del Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%
Maostar S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	31.25%	31.25%	0.00%	31.25%	31.25%
Ameluz S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%
Fandale S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%
Odaler S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%
La Cabaña S.R.L. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%
Ludi S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%
Semin S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%
Randicor S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%
Ducellmar S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%
Actimar S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%
Hiper Ahorro S.R.L.	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Ciudaddel Ferrol S.C. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	61.24%	61.24%	0.00%	61.24%	61.24%
Maraluz S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	31.87%	31.87%	0.00%	31.87%	31.87%
Setara S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%	0.00%	62.49%	62.49%
Mablicor S.A. (b)	Uruguay	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	31.87%	31.87%	0.00%	31.87%	31.87%

				Stoc	Stock ownership 2015		Stock ownership 20°		2014
Name	Segment	Country	Functional currency	Direct	Indirect	Total	Direct	Indirect	Total
Vía Artika S. A.	Argentina	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Spice España de Valores Americanos S.L.	Argentina	Spain	Euro	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Geant Argentina S. A.	Argentina	Argentina	Argentine peso	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Gélase S. A.	Argentina	Belgium	Euro	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Libertad S. A.	Argentina	Argentina	Argentine peso	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Ceibotel S. A.	Argentina	Argentina	Argentine peso	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Onper Investment 2015 S.L.	Brazil	Spain	Euro	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Ségisor S.A.	Brazil	France	Euro	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Oregon LLC	Brazil	United States of America	Euro	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Pincher LLC	Brazil	United States of America	Euro	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Bengal LLC	Brazil	United States of America	Euro	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Wilkes Partipações S.A.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD (c)	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Nov asoc Comercial Ltda. (d)	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	1.88%	1.88%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Sendas Distribuidora S.A. (e)	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Bellamar Empreend. e Participações Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
GPA Malls & Properties Gestão de									
Ativos e Serviços Imobiliários Ltda. (GPA M&P)	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
CBDHolland B.V.	Brazil	Holland	Euro	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
CBD Panamá Trading Corp.	Brazil	Panama	US Dollar	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Barcelona Comércio Varejista e Atacadista S.A.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Xantocarpa Participações Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
GPA 2 Empreed. e Participações Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
GPA Logística e Transporte Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Posto Ciara Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Auto Posto Império Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Auto Posto Duque Salim Maluf Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Auto Posto Duque Santo André Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Auto Posto Duque Lapa Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	18.76%	18.76%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Lux co- Marney lectro S.A.R.L	Brazil	Luxembourg	Euro	0.00%	13.55%	13.55%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Dutchco - Marney lectro B.V.	Brazil	Holland	Euro	0.00%	13.55%	13.55%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Cnov a N.V (f)	Brazil	Holland	Euro	0.15%	6.77%	6.92%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
CNova Comércio Eletrônico S/A	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	6.92%	6.92%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
E-Hub Consult. Particip. e Com. S.A.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	6.92%	6.92%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Nov a Experiência PontoCom S.A.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	6.92%	6.92%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Cdiscount S.A.	Brazil	France	Euro	0.00%	6.88%	6.88%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Cnov a Finança B.V.	Brazil	Holland	Brazilian real	0.00%	6.92%	6.92%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Financière MSR S.A.S.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	6.91%	6.91%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Cdiscount Afrique S.A.S.	Brazil	France	Euro	0.00%	6.91%	6.91%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
CD Africa S.A.S.	Brazil	France	Euro	0.00%	5.87%	5.87%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
C Distribution Asia Dts. Ltd.	Brazil	Holland	Euro	0.00%	6.91%	6.91%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
C-Distribution Asia Pte. Ltd. CLatam S.A.	Brazil Brazil	Singapore Uruguay	Euro Uruguay an peso	0.00% 0.00%	4.14% 34.84%	4.14% 34.84%	0.00% 0.00%	0.00% 0.00%	0.00% 0.00%



		Stock ownership 2015				Stock ownership 2015		Stock ownership 2014		
Name	Segment	Country	Functional currency	Direct	Indirect	Total	Direct	Indirect	Total	
Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S.	Brazil	Colombia	Colombian peso	49.00%	3.53%	52.53%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
C Distribution Thailand Ltd.	Brazil	Thailand	Thai bath	0.00%	2.90%	2.90%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
E-Cavi Ltd.	Brazil	Hong Kong	US Dollar	0.00%	3.32%	3.32%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Cdiscount Vietnam Co Ltd.	Brazil	Vietnam	Vietnamese dong	0.00%	3.32%	3.32%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Cnov a France S.A.S.	Brazil	France	Euro	0.00%	6.92%	6.92%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Cdiscount Côte d'Ivoire S.A.S.	Brazil	lv ory Coast	West Afrian CFA franc	0.00%	5.87%	5.87%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Cdiscount Sénégal S.A.S.	Brazil	Senegal	West African CFA franc	0.00%	5.87%	5.87%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Cdiscount Panama S.A.	Brazil	Panama	US Dollar	0.00%	34.84%	34.84%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Cdiscount Cameroun S.A.S.	Brazil	Cameroun	West African CFA franc	0.00%	5.87%	5.87%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Ecdiscoc Comercializadora S.A.	Brazil	Ecuador	US Dollar	0.00%	34.83%	34.83%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Cdiscount Uruguay S.A.	Brazil	Uruguay	Uruguay an peso	0.00%	34.84%	34.84%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Monconerdeco.com S.A.S.	Brazil	France	Euro	0.00%	5.22%	5.22%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Moncorner	Brazil	France	Euro	0.00%	6.88%	6.88%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
3W S.A.S.	Brazil	France	Euro	0.00%	6.88%	6.88%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
3W Santé S.A.S.	Brazil	France	Euro	0.00%	6.37%	6.37%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Via Varejo S.A. (g)	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	8.13%	8.13%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Indústria de Móveis Bartira Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	8.13%	8.13%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
VVLOG Logística Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	8.13%	8.13%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Globex Adm e Serviços Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	8.13%	8.13%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Lake Niassa Empreend. e Participações Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	8.13%	8.13%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Globex Adm. Consórcio Ltda.	Brazil	Brazil	Brazilian real	0.00%	8.13%	8.13%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	

- (a) During an extraordinary meeting held on November 30, 2015, the General Meeting of Shareholders approved the winding-up and further liquidation of Raxwy Company S.A.
- (b) At December 31, 2014, the interest in Grupo Disco Uruguay was classified as a joint venture and accounted for using the equity method. Under a Shareholders Agreement executed on April 27, 2015 by and among the Company and non-controlling investors of Grupo Disco Uruguay, which vested the Company with more than 75% of the voting rights, the Company gained control over such interest as from January 1, 2015, undertaking the global consolidation thereof in the Group's consolidated financial statements (See Note 5 Business combinations).
- (c) In compliance with the share purchase-sale agreements entered into with Casino Guichard Perrachon on July 29, 2015, Almacenes Éxito S.A. acquired 100% of Onper Investments 2015 S.L., which indirectly owns 18.76% of the capital investment and 49.97% of the voting rights of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição (CBD), a company with domicile in Brazil (See Note 5 Business combinations).
- (d) The interest of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição in Novasoc represents 10% of its shares; however, it has control with 99.98% of the voting rights, pursuant to the shareholders agreement. Novasoc bylaws state that its net income not necessarily is to be allocated in proportion to the percentage interest in this company, thus 99.98% goes to Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição.
- (e) Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição directly owns 100% of Sendas Distribuidora S.A. The businesses of Sé Supermercados were incorporated into this company on December 22, 2015, as described in Note 42 Relevant facts.
- (f) On October 17, 2013, Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição gained direct control over Novapontocom, *holding* of the e-commerce companies. On December 22, 2015, Novapontocom was merged into Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição as described in Note 42, Relevant facts.
- (g) Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição has 43.35% interest in Vía Varejo S.A. and 62% of the shares with voting rights, which result in control over this subsidiary.

The following is a detail of information regarding the main subsidiaries of the Group:

- Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição - CBD A company with domicile in Brazil. Its main corporate purpose is the sale of finished and semi-finished products or Brazilian and foreign raw materials of any kind, nature or quality, provided law does not forbid the sale thereof. The life span of the company is indefinite.

Directly or through its subsidiaries (GPA Group), it is engaged in the retailing of food, clothes, domestic appliances, technology and other products at its chain of hypermarkets, supermarkets, specialty shops and department stores, mainly under the brands "Pão de Açúcar", "Minuto Pão de Açúcar", "Extra Hiper", "Extra Super", "Minimercado Extra", "Assai ", "Ponto Frio" and "Casas Bahia", as well as the e-commerce sites "CasasBahia.com", "Extra.com", "Pontofrio.com", "Barateiro.com", "Partiuviagens.com" and "Cdiscount.com" and the neighborhood mall banner "Conviva".

The parent acquired 100% of Onper Investments 2015 S.L., which indirectly owns 18.76% of the share capital and 49.97% of the voting rights of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição (CBD).

On October 1, 2015, at a meeting of the board of C-latam S.A., a subsidiary of the Grupo Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD, decision was made to cease activities, wind up and liquidate the company, sell the shares or undertake all related activities, given its development and profitability. Such company's results were not classified as a discontinued operation, given that it is not deemed significant to the Group.

- Libertad S.A. Company domiciled in Argentina. It was incorporated on July 8, 1994 under registration number 618 with the Direction for Inspection of Legal Entities (DIPJ) in the Argentine Republic. Its main corporate purpose is the exploitation of supermarkets and wholesale stores, carrying out all kinds of ancillary transactions related with its core business. The life span of the company goes to July 8, 2084. The Parent acquired 100% of such company through its subsidiary Onper Investments 2015 S.L.
- Supermercados Disco del Uruguay S.A. Its core business the retail in the local market of mass consumption products through a chain of supermarkets
  located in the departments of Montevideo, Canelones and Maldonado.
- Odaler S.A. Its core business is the exploitation of the Géant hypermarket in the department of Canelones (Uruguay).
- Ameluz S.A. Its core business the exploitation of a Géant hypermarket located at Shopping Nuevo Centro, in Uruguay.
- La Cabaña S.R.L. Its core business is the exploitation of a supermarket at El Pinar, department of Canelones (Uruguay).
- **Devoto Hermanos S.A.** Its core business is the local market retailing of mass consumption products through a chain of supermarkets located in the departments of Montevideo, Canelones and Maldonado (Uruguay).
- **Mercados Devoto S.A.** Its core business is the local market retailing of mass consumption products through a chain of supermarkets located in the departments of Montevideo and Maldonado (Uruguay).
- Distribuidora de Textiles y Confecciones S.A. (DIDETEXCO S.A.). It was incorporated by means of public deed 1138 granted on July 13, 1976 before the Notary 7th of Medellín. Its corporate purpose is mainly to acquire, store, transform, manufacture and sell, and in general distribute in whatever form all kinds of locally-produced or imported textiles, and acquire, give or take under lease agreements property intended for establishing stores, shopping malls or other places suitable for the distribution of merchandise and the sale of goods or services. The life span of the company goes to July 13, 2026.
- Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S. It was incorporated by private document on September 27, 2010, and its life span is indefinite. Its main corporate purpose is:
- Incorporate, fund, promote, invest on its own or with other individuals or legal entities in the incorporation of companies, enterprises or businesses which core activity is the manufacture or trading of goods, things, merchandise, articles or elements, or the provision of services related to the exploitation of commercial establishments, and participate in such companies as associate, through contributions in cash, in kind or in services.
- Promote, invest on its own or with other individuals or legal entities in the provision of telecommunication networks, services and value chain, particularly in all activities legally permitted in Colombia or abroad, related with telecommunications, mobile telephone and added value services.



At December 31, 2015, the subsidiary accrues losses amounting to \$16,889 that decreased its equity below 50% of its share capital, thus giving rise to the special grounds for dissolution foreseen in section 457 of the Code of Commerce. Subsidiary management is committed to undertake all measures as required to overcome this situation. The most significant measure is submitting to the forthcoming General Meeting of Shareholders to be held in March 2016 a business plan that allows the company to yield profits. Pursuant to legal regulations in force, the subsidiary management has a term until September 2016 to overcome the grounds for dissolution.

- Éxito Viajes y Turismo S.A.S. It was incorporated on May 30, 2013 under Colombian laws. Its main corporate purpose is the exploitation of tourism-related activities, as well as the representation of the tourism industry and the opening of travel agencies whatever its nature and the promotion of domestic and international tourism. The life span of the company is indefinite.
- Gemex O & W S.A.S. It was incorporated on March 12, 2008. Its corporate purpose is the trading of all kinds of goods and services through alternative sales channels, such as, without limitation, direct sales or mail sales, web sites or e-commerce, through vending machines, and in general using all technology-based channels or special methods to trade goods and services.

At December 31, 2015, the subsidiary accrued losses amounting to \$3,737 that decreased its equity below 50% of its share capital, thus giving rise to the special grounds for dissolution foreseen in section 457 of the Code of Commerce. Subsidiary management is committed to undertake all measures as required to overcome this situation. The most significant measure is submitting to the forthcoming General Meeting of Shareholders to be held in March 2016 a business plan that allows the company to yield profits. Pursuant to legal regulations in force, the subsidiary management has a term until September 2016 to overcome the grounds for dissolution.

Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S. It was incorporated on May 23, 2014 under Colombian laws. Its main corporate purpose is the
provision of air, land, maritime, fluvial, railway and multimodal domestic and international freight services for all kinds of goods in general. The life span
of the company is indefinite.

At December 31, 2015, the company accrued losses amounting to \$2,271 that decreased its equity below 50% of its share capital, thus giving rise to the special grounds for dissolution foreseen in section 457 of the Code of Commerce. During the forthcoming General Meeting of Shareholders, to be held in March 2016, subsidiary management will inform the shareholders of such grounds, for them to make the relevant decisions. Pursuant to legal regulations in force, the subsidiary management has a term until September 2017 to overcome the grounds for dissolution.

CDiscount Colombia S.A.S., incorporated by private document on June 26, 2014. Its corporate purpose is: (I) Launching and operating e-commerce businesses in Colombia; (II) Entering into all kinds of agreements including, without limitation, lease, distribution, operation, association, sale-purchase, technical assistance, supply, inspection, control and services agreements, as required for the proper development of the corporate purpose; (III) Rendering all kinds of services including, without limitation, management, advisory, consultancy, technical assistance and representation agreements, as required for the proper development of the corporate purpose; and (IV) Carrying out any licit activity.

At December 31, 2015, the company accrued losses amounting to \$42,229 that decreased its equity below 50% of its share capital, thus giving rise to the special grounds for dissolution foreseen in section 457 of the Code of Commerce. During the forthcoming General Meeting of Shareholders, to be held in March 2016, subsidiary management will inform the shareholders of such grounds, for them to make the relevant decisions. Pursuant to legal regulations in force, the subsidiary management has a term until September 2017 to overcome the grounds for dissolution.

- CNova N.V. was incorporated on May 30, 2014; its corporate purpose is participating or carrying out all activities and operations related with or suitable for e-commerce and regular trade, and the provision of services in the fields of retail sales, advertising, transportation, data communications, business advisory and business funding. Its main domicile is Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

#### Listing in public registries

Almacenes Éxito S.A., the parent company, is listed on the Colombian Stock Exchange (BVC) since 1994.

The stock of subsidiary Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD are listed on the São Paulo Stock Exchange ("BM&F Bovespa") level 1 Corporate Governance under the symbol "PCAR4" and on the New York Stock Exchange (ADR level III), under the symbol "CBD".

Subsidiary Via Varejo S.A. is a joint stock corporation subsidiary of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição (GPA), admitted to the so-called "Corporate Governance Level 2" of the special offer segment of the Brazil Stock Exchange - BM & F BOVESPA SA - Bolsa de Valores, Mercancías y Futuros ("BM & F BOVESPA") -, subject to the Regulations for Issuers Quote and Admission to the Trading of Securities.

Subsidiary Cnova NV is a public limited liability company of the Netherlands incorporated on May 30, 2014 under the laws of Holland. Its common shares were listed on the NASDAQ - Global Select Market in November 2014, and on January 23, 2015, its common shares were listed on Euronext Paris.

## Note 2. Basis for preparation

The financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 have been prepared in accordance with accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as a translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496 without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained.

Regulatory Decrees 2420 and 2496 of 2015 rule the preparation of financial statements based on International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS/IAS), Interpretations (IFRIC and SIC) and Conceptual Framework issued until December 31, 2014, published by the *International Accounting Standards Board - IASB* in 2015. Application of such regulatory framework is mandatory in Colombia as from January 1, 2017, regardless that the conceptual framework for financial information is mandatory as from January 1, 2016; early application of both regulations is permitted. The Parent has decided to early implement such regulation, in order to present financial information incorporating the amendments to the regulations that reflect the requirements of the various information users.

### **Explicit and unreserved statement**

Up to the year ended December 31, 2014, the Parent prepared its financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Colombia (GAAP). The financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2015 are the first financial statements prepared by the Parent in accordance with accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as an official translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496 without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained.

An additional statement of financial position at January 1, 2014 has been included in these financial statements, due to the first-time adoption, IFRS 1, and in compliance with the regulations regarding the issue of the first financial statements under accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as an official translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496 without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained.

It must be noted that financial statements presented to the General Meeting of Shareholders and regulators and stakeholders, for the year ended December 31, 2014, were prepared by the Parent under accounting principles generally accepted in Colombia pursuant to the law, the rules and instructions from the Colombian Financial Superintendence, the Superintendence of Companies and other legal regulations; such principles may differ in certain aspects from those enforced by other Government controlling bodies and other international accounting standards.

The financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014 have been prepared in accordance with accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as an official translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) authorized by the



International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496 without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained.

#### Basis for consolidation

For the purpose of consolidating the financial statements of Spice Investments Mercosur S.A., a company with domicile in Uruguay, which in turn is the parent of all other subsidiaries domiciled in Uruguay except Vía Artika S.A., the policies and principles adopted by the Group were standardized in accordance with accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as an official translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496 without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained. As regards the consolidation of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD, which in turn is the parent of CNova and all other subsidiaries domiciled in Brazil, and Libertad S.A., an Argentine company, it is worth mentioning that since the parent and its subsidiaries in Brazil and Argentina were owned by and consolidated their financial statements with the Grupo Casino in France prior to the acquisition, such companies comply with uniform accounting policies standardized by said parent.

Assets and liabilities, as well as revenue and expenses in foreign currency, have been translated into Colombian pesos at the exchange rates in force on each closing date and average range, as follows:

_		Closing rates		Average	rates
	2015	2014	January2014	2015	2014
US Dollar	3,149.47	2,392.46	1,926.83	3,247.60	2,346.79
Uruguayan peso	105.16	98.18	89.94	100.20	86.20
Brazilian real	796.07	-	-	793.51	-
Argentine peso	243.30	-	-	309.99	-

Consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Parent and all subsidiaries, as follows:

- **Subsidiaries** (including special-purpose entities) are entities over which the Parent company has direct or indirect control. See listing of companies under Note 1.
- Stand-alone trust funds (SPV) of the Group, relate to organizations set up with a defined purpose and limited term.

"Control" is the power to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity. Control is reached when the parent has power over a controlled company, is exposed to variable benefits from its involvement and has the capability of influencing such benefits. Power arises from rights, generally along with the holding of 50% or more of voting rights, even though it sometimes is more complex and results from contracts, reason why there may be entities not having such interest percentage but which activities are understood to be carried out to the benefit of the parent and the parent is exposed to all risks and benefits attached to the controlled company.

Wherever there is control, the consolidation method applied is that of global integration method.

**Global integration:** Under this method, all of subsidiaries' assets, liabilities, shareholders' equity and results are incorporated into the Parent's financial statements, after elimination at the Parent of equity investments in such subsidiaries and the balance of intercompany accounts.

All significant transactions and balances among subsidiaries have been eliminated upon consolidation; non-controlled interest represented in third parties' ownership interests in the subsidiaries have been recognized and separately included under the Group's equity. At the time of assessing whether the Parent has control over a subsidiary or not, analysis is made of the existence and effect of potential voting rights currently exercised. Subsidiaries are consolidated as from the date on which control is transferred to the Group and excluded from consolidation upon termination of control.

All controlled entities are consolidated into the Parent's financial statements, regardless the ownership interest percentage.

Transactions involving a change in the Parent's ownership interest percentage without loss of control are recognized in shareholders' equity, given that there is no change of control over the economic entity. Cash flows from ownership interest changes not resulting in a loss of control are classified as financing activities in the statement of cash flows.

In transactions involving a loss of control, the entire ownership interest in the subsidiary is written-off, any retained interest is recognized at fair value and the gain or loss arising from the transaction is recognized in period results, including the relevant items of other comprehensive income. Cash flows arising from the acquisition or loss of control of a subsidiary are classified in the statement of cash flows as investment activities.

Period results and each component in other comprehensive income are allocated to the owners of the controlling entity and to non-controlling ownership interests.

#### Financial statements herein presented

These Group's consolidated financial statements include the statements of financial position and statements of changes in shareholders' equity at December 31, 2015, 2014 and January 1, 2014 (transition date), as well as the statements of comprehensive income and the statements of cash flows for the years ended on December 31, 2015 and 2014.

## Statement of accountability

The Group's and its subsidiaries' management are responsible for the information contained in these financial statements. Preparing such financial statements pursuant to accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as an official translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496 and without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained, requires management's judgement to apply the accounting policies.

## Estimates and accounting judgement

The Group's estimations to quantify some of the assets, liabilities, revenue, expenses and commitments therein contained have been used to prepare the attached financial statements. Such estimations refer to:

- The hypotheses used to estimate the fair value of financial instruments,
- The valuation of financial assets to identify actual impairment losses,
- The useful lives of property, plant and equipment and of intangible assets,
- Variables used to assess and determine the impairment of non-financial assets.
- Actuarial assumptions used to estimate retirement benefits and long-term employee benefits liability, such as inflation rate, death rate, discount rate, and the possibility of future salary increases,
- The probability of occurrence and the value of liabilities that serve as a basis to recognize provisions related to lawsuits and business restructures,
- The assumptions used to recognize liabilities arising from the customer loyalty program,



- The probability of making future profits to recognize deferred tax assets,
- The valuation technique applied to determine the fair values of elements in business combinations.

Such estimations are based on the best information available regarding the facts analyzed as of the date of preparation of the attached financial statements, which may give rise to future changes by virtue of potential situations that may occur and would result in prospective recognition thereof; this situation would be treated as a change in accounting estimations in future financial statements.

#### Distinction between current and non-current items

The Group presents its current and non-current assets, as well as its current and non-current liabilities, as separate categories in the statement of financial position. For this purpose, current assets are understood as those amounts that will be realized or will become available in a term not to exceed one year, and current liabilities are those amounts that will be enforceable or payable also in a term not to exceed one year.

## Functional currency and transactions in foreign currency

The parent and each subsidiary define their functional currency and their transactions are measured in such currency. The Colombian peso is the functional currency of the parent. (Functional currencies used by each of subsidiaries are described in Note 1 - General Information).

The accounting treatment of transactions in foreign currency for the parent and each subsidiary considers the following:

Transactions in foreign currency are those denominated in a currency other than the functional currency, and are translated to the functional currency at the market representative exchange rate. During the year, the exchange differences arising from the translation of such transactions, between the historical exchange rate when recorded and the exchange rate in force on the date of collection or payment, are accounted for as exchange gains or losses and shown as part of the net financial result in the statement of income.

Monetary balances on the closing date expressed in a currency other than the functional currency, are updated using the exchange rate in force at period closing; exchange differences arising from such valuation are recognized in the statement of income as part of the net financial result.

Functional currencies used by the parent and by each of its subsidiaries are not part of highly inflationary economies, and consequently the financial statements are not adjusted for inflation.

Non-monetary items are not translated at the closing exchange rate but are measured at historical cost (at the exchange rates in force on the date of each transaction), except for non-monetary items measured at fair value such as forwards and swaps, which are translated using the exchange rates in force on the date of valuation of their fair value.

## Translation to the presentation currency

These financial statements are shown in Colombian pesos, functional currency of the Group's parent company, which is the currency used in the prime economic environment where it operates. The amounts shown have been adjusted to millions of Colombian pesos.

The financial statements of subsidiaries with different functional currencies have been translated to Colombian pesos.

Transactions and balances are translated to the Parent's functional currency:

- Assets and liabilities are translated to Colombian pesos at the closing exchange rate;
- Income-related items are translated to Colombian pesos using the period's average exchange rate;

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- Equity transactions in foreign currency are translated to Colombian pesos at the exchange rate in force on the date of each transaction.

Exchange differences arising from the translation are directly recognized in a separate component of equity and are reclassified to the statement of income upon sale of the investment.

## Accounting accrual basis

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the accounting accrual basis, except for information on cash flows.

#### Materiality

Economic events are recognized and presented in accordance with materiality thereof. An economic event is material wherever awareness or unawareness thereof, given its nature or value and considering the circumstances, may have a significant impact on the economic decisions to be made by the users of the information.

When preparing the financial statements, including the notes thereto, the materiality for presentation purposes was defined on a 5% basis applied to current and non-current assets, current and non-current liabilities, shareholders' equity, period results and to each separate account at a general ledger level for the reporting period.

## Offsetting of balances and transactions

Assets and liabilities are offset and reported net in the financial statements, if and only if there is an enforceable legal right on the closing date that makes it mandatory to receive or pay recognized amounts at its net value, and wherever there is an intention of offsetting on a net basis to realize assets and settle liabilities simultaneously.

# Classification as liability or equity

Debt and equity instruments are classified as financial liabilities or as equity, following the substance of the relevant legal agreement.

## Measurement of the fair value

The fair value is the price to be received upon the sale of an asset, or paid out upon transferring a liability under a transaction carried out by market participants on the date of measurement.

Measurements of the fair value are carried out using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the importance of inputs used in determining measurements.

- Based on (unadjusted) prices quoted in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1).
- Based on valuation models commonly applied by market participants using variables other than prices quoted, directly or indirectly perceptible for assets or liabilities (level 2).
- Based on the Group's own valuation models applying non-perceptible estimated variables for assets or liabilities (level 3).

## Note 3. Significant accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared using the accounting policies, measurements and bases described below, pursuant to accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as an official translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496 and without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained, requires management's judgement to apply the accounting policies.



The accounting policies have been applied as from January 1, 2014, date of preparation of the Opening Statement of Financial Position, until December 31, 2015, date of preparation of the first financial statements under the standards mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

## Investments in associated companies and joint arrangements

An associate is an entity over which the parent is in a position of exercising significant influence, but not control or joint control, through the power of participating in the decisions on the operating and financial policies thereof.

In general, significant influence is alleged in those cases where the Group has an ownership interest higher than 20%, even though such influence, as well as the control, must be assessed.

A joint arrangement is an agreement by means of which two or more parties maintain a joint control. Joint arrangements can be joint business or joint ventures. There is joint control only when decisions on significant activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control. Acquisitions of such arrangements are recorded using the principles applicable to business combinations set forth in IFRS 3.

Joint venture: is a joint agreement by which the parties having joint control over the arrangement are entitled to the net assets of the arrangement.

A joint operation is a joint arrangement by means of which the parties having joint control over the arrangement are entitled to the assets and liability-related obligations associated with the arrangement.

In its consolidated financial statements, the Group applies the equity method to all investments in associates and joint ventures.

Under the **equity method**, upon initial recognition, the investment in associates or joint ventures is recorded at cost and subsequently the book value is increased or decreased to recognize the Group's participation in the invested company's comprehensive results, which will be recognized in period results or in other comprehensive results, as the case may be. Profit distributions or dividends received from the invested company are deducted from the book value of the investment.

Wherever the Group's share of the losses of an associate or joint venture equals to or exceeds its interest, the Group ceases to recognize its share of further losses. Once the Group's interest comes to zero, a provision is recognized, only in as much as the Group has incurred legal or implicit liabilities.

Unrealized gains or losses arising from transactions between the Group and its associates or joint ventures, are eliminated in the proportion of the Group's interest in such entities upon application of the equity method.

Once the equity method has been applied, the Group decides whether there is need to recognize impairment losses related with its interest in the invested company.

Transactions involving a significant loss of influence over the associate or joint venture are booked recognizing any ownership interest retained at its fair value, and the gain or loss arising from the transaction is recognized in period results including the relevant items of other comprehensive income.

Regarding transactions not involving a significant loss of influence over the associate or joint venture, the equity method continues being applied and the portion of the gain or loss recognized in other comprehensive income relevant to the decrease in the ownership interest is reclassified to income.

#### Related parties

All transfers of resources, services and obligations between the Group and its related parties are deemed to be related party transaction.

The Group has defined as related parties: its parent; its associates and joint ventures; those entities having joint control or significant influence over the Group; key senior management, including Board directors, CEOs and senior officers with the capacity of directing, planning and controlling the Group's activities; companies over which key senior management can exercise control or joint control; and the immediate family of the key senior management that can influence the Group.

No transaction contains special terms and conditions; transactions carried out are similar to those carried out with third parties, and do not involve market price differences for similar transactions; sales and purchases are conducted under conditions that are equivalent to those existing for transactions with independent parties.

#### Business combinations and goodwill

Business combinations are booked using the acquisition method; this involves the identification of the acquirer, the definition of the acquisition date, the recognition and measurement of identifiable assets acquired, liabilities taken on and any non-controlling ownership interest in the acquiree, as well as the recognition and measurement of goodwill.

If at the closing of the accounting period during which a business combination takes place the initial booking is incomplete, the Group will inform in its financial statements the provisional amounts of assets and liabilities which booking is incomplete, and within 12 months of the measurement period, the Group will retroactively adjust such provisional amounts recognized to reflect the new information obtained from the *Purchase Price Allocation (PPA) survey*.

The measurement period will end as soon as the Group has received information from the purchase price allocation survey or concludes that no further information can be obtained, but in any event one year after the acquisition date at the latest.

The consideration transferred in a business combination is measured at its fair value, which is the aggregate of the fair values of the assets transferred by the acquirer, the liabilities taken on by the acquirer facing the former owners of the acquiree and the ownership interests in the equity issued by the acquirer.

Any contingent consideration is included in the consideration transferred at its fair value on the date of acquisition. Subsequent changes in the fair value of the contingent consideration, arising from events and circumstances existing on the date of acquisition, are booked by adjusting the good will if occurring during the measurement period, or directly to period results if arising after the measurement period, unless the liability is settled using variable-income instruments, in which event the contingent consideration is not remeasured.

The Group recognizes identifiable assets and liabilities taken on acquired under a business combination, regardless of whether they have been recognized in the financial statements of the business acquired prior to the acquisition. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities taken on are booked on the date of acquisition at fair values. The excess of the consideration transferred and the fair value of identifiable assets acquired (including intangible assets not previously recognized) and liabilities taken on (including contingent liabilities) and any non-controlling interest in the acquiree are recognized as goodwill.

For each business combination, the Group may elect to measure any non-controlling interest at its fair value or as a proportion of the acquiree's identifiable net assets

In the event of a business combination achieved in stages, the previous ownership interest in the acquiree is remeasured at its fair value on the date of acquisition of control. The difference between the fair value and the book value of such ownership interest is directly taken to period results. Disbursements related to a business combination, other than those related to the issue of debt, are booked as expenses in the periods they are incurred.

On the date of acquisition, goodwill is measured at fair value and subsequently monitored at the level of the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units benefited from the business combination. Goodwill is not amortized, and is subject to impairment testing within one year or before, should there be indications of impairment. Impairment losses applied to goodwill are booked to period results and the effect thereof is not reverted.

The method applied by the Group to test for impairment is described in the asset impairment policy. Negative goodwill arising from a business combination is directly recognized to period results, upon recognition and measurement of identifiable assets, liabilities taken on and non-controlling interest in the acquiree.



## Put options granted to the holders of non-controlling ownership interests

The Group recognizes *put option* agreements entered into with the holders of non-controlling ownership interests in subsidiaries pursuant to IFRS 9. Liabilities arising from these agreements, related to subsidiaries consolidated under the global integration method, are recognized as financial liabilities at its fair value.

## Intangible assets

They refer to non-monetary assets, without physical substance, controlled by the Group because of past events and from which future economic benefit may be expected.

An intangible asset is recognized as such wherever the item is identifiable, severable and will bring future economic benefit. It is identifiable wherever the asset is severable or arises from rights.

Intangible assets acquired under a business combination are recognized as goodwill wherever they do not meet these criteria.

Intangible assets acquired independently are initially recognized at cost, and intangible assets acquired under a business combination are recognized at fair value.

Internally generated brands are not recognized in the statement of financial position.

The cost of intangible assets includes acquisition cost, import duties, indirect not-recoverable taxes and costs directly incurred to bring the asset to the place and use conditions foreseen by Company management, after trade discounts and rebates, if any.

Intangible assets having indefinite useful lives are not amortized, but are subject to impairment testing, on an annual basis or wherever there is indication that value thereof has been impaired. Intangible assets having a defined useful life are amortized using the straight-line method over its estimated useful lives. The most significant useful lives are:

Acquired software Between 3 and 5 years ERP-like acquired software Between 5 and 8 years

Intangible assets are subsequently measured using the cost model and amortization as a function of the estimated useful lives and impairment losses are deducted from the amount initially recognized. The effects of amortization and potential impairment are taken to income for the period, unless amortization has been booked as a higher value in the construction of a new asset.

An intangible asset is derecognized upon its sale or wherever no future economic benefit is expected from the use or disposition thereof. The gain or loss from derecognition of an asset is estimated as the difference between the net proceeds of sale and the book value of the asset. Such effect is recognized in period results.

Residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed at the closing of each annual period and changes, if any, are applied prospectively.

# Research and development costs

Research costs are recognized as expenses as they are incurred. Disbursements for development of separate projects are recognized as intangible assets wherever the Group is in the capacity of demonstrating:

- The technical feasibility of completing the intangible asset to have it available for use or sale;
- Its intention of completing the asset and its ability to use or sell the asset;
- The ability to use or sell the intangible asset;

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- How the asset will generate future economic benefit;
- The availability of resources to complete the asset; and
- The ability to accurately measure the disbursement during development.

Development costs not complying with these criteria for capitalization are taken to period results. Development costs recognized as intangible assets are subsequently measured using the cost model.

#### Property, plant and equipment

The name property, plant and equipment is given to all of Group's tangible assets held for use in production or in the provision of goods and services, or for administration purposes, and which are further expected to be used over one period, that is to say, more than one year, and that meet the following conditions:

- It is probable that the Group will obtain future economic benefit from the asset;
- The cost may be accurately measured;
- The Group has taken the risks and benefits arising from the use or possession of the asset, and
- They are assets which separate acquisition cost exceeds the minimum amounts defined for each country based on the materiality criteria and actual business conditions.

Property, plant and equipment are initially measured at cost; subsequently they are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment loss.

The cost of property, plant and equipment elements includes acquisition cost, import duties, non-recoverable indirect taxes, future dismantling costs, if any, costs from loans directly attributable to the acquisition of a suitable asset and the costs separately attributable to place an asset on the site and usage conditions foreseen by Company management, net of trade discounts and rebates.

Costs incurred for expansion, modernization, improvements that increase productivity, capacity or efficiency, or an increase in the useful lives thereof, are carried as a higher value of the asset. Maintenance and repair costs from which no future benefit is foreseen are taken to period results.

Land and buildings are deemed to be separate assets, wherever they are significant and physical separation is feasible, even if they have been jointly acquired.

Constructions in progress are transferred to operating assets upon completion of the construction or commencement of operation, and depreciated from that moment on.

The useful life of land is unlimited and consequently it is not depreciated. All other items of property, plant and equipment are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, considering nil residual value. The groups of property, plant and equipment and relevant useful lives are as follows:

Low-value assets3 yearsComputers5 yearsVehicles5 years

Machinery and equipment

Between 10 and 20 years

Furniture and fixtures

Between 10 and 12 years

Other transportation equipment

Between 5 and 20 years

Surveillance team armament 10 years

Buildings Between 40 and 50 years

Improvements to third party properties 40 years or the term of the lease agreement or the remaining of the lease

term (\*), whichever is less.



(\*) Urban improvements related to the construction or delivery of environmental resources and/or related to the visual or architectural improvement of the zone affected by the construction or work under the responsibility of the Group, are recognized in period results.

The Group estimates depreciation by components, which means applying separate depreciation to the components of an asset with useful lives that are different from the asset as a whole and has a material cost in relation to the entire fixed asset. Cost is material wherever the component exceeds 50% of total asset value, or may be separately identified.

Residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed at the closing of each annual period and changes, if any, are applied prospectively. An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognized upon its sale or wherever no future economic benefit is expected from the use or disposition thereof. The gain or loss from derecognition of an asset is estimated as the difference between the net proceeds of sale and the book value of the asset. Such effect is recognized in period results.

## Investment property

Are properties held to obtain revenue or goodwill and not for use in the production or supply of goods or services, or for administrative use or sale in the normal course of business. This category includes the shopping malls owned by the Group.

Investment properties are initially measured at cost, including transaction costs. Following initial recognition, they are valued at historic cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment loss.

Investment properties are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, regardless their residual value. The useful life estimated to depreciate buildings classified as investment property is from 40 to 50 years.

Investment properties are transferred to other assets and other assets are transferred to investment properties only wherever there is a change in the use of the asset. For transfers from investment properties to property, plant and equipment, the cost taken into consideration for subsequent accounting is the book value on the date the use is changed. If a property, plant and equipment item would become investment property, it will be recorded at book value.

Situations that can lead to transfer are:

- The Group occupies an asset classified as investment property; in this event, the asset is reclassified to property, plant and equipment,
- The Group starts a development on investment property or property, plant and equipment towards its sale, provided there is a significant advance in the development of tangible assets or in the project to be sold as a whole. In these events, the asset is reclassified to inventory.
- The Group enters into an operating lease agreement with a third party on a property, plant and equipment item. In this event, the asset is reclassified to investment property.

An investment property is derecognized upon its sale or wherever no future economic benefit is expected from the use or disposition thereof.

The gain or loss from derecognition of investment properties is estimated as the difference between the net proceeds of sale and the book value of the asset. The effect is taken to income during the period where the asset was derecognized.

The Group updates the fair values of investment property on an annual basis for the purposes of disclosure in the financial statements.

# Non-current assets held for trading and discontinued operations

Non-current assets and the groups of assets for disposal are classified as held for trading if their book value will be recovered via a sale instead of continued use thereof and do not meet the conditions to be classified as real estate inventory. Such condition is met wherever the asset or group of assets are available for immediate sale, under current condition, and the sale is highly probable. In order for the sale be highly probable, Company management must be committed to a plan to sell the asset (or group for disposition) and the sale is expected within the year following the classification date.

Non-current assets and groups of assets for disposition are valued at the lower of book value or fair value, less costs of sale, and are not depreciated or amortized as from the date they are classified as held for trading. Such assets or groups of assets are shown under current assets.

The revenue, costs and expenses from a discontinued operation are reported separately from those from continued activities, in one single line item after income tax, in the consolidated statement of income for the current period and the comparative period for the preceding year, even if the Group retains a non-controlling interest in the discontinued operation after the sale. An operation is deemed to be discontinued wherever it meets the definition of non-current assets held for trading and represents a business line or geographical area of operations that are significant to the Group, or a subsidiary acquired with trading purposes. It is part of a single coordinated plan to dispose of a business line or a geographical area of the operation that is significant and that may be deemed separate.

#### Lease agreements

Lease agreements are classified as finance lease and operating lease. Lease agreements that transfer substantially all risks and benefits arising from the title to the assets are classified as finance lease; otherwise, they are classified as operating lease. Some of the criteria to be taken into consideration to reach conclusion of whether substantial risks and benefits have been transferred include (i) where the term of the lease is equal to or higher than 75% of the economic life of the asset and/or (ii) where the present value of minimum payments under the lease agreement is equal to or higher than 90% of the fair value of the asset.

Contingent instalments of the lease are estimated based on the cause that results in the instalment variance for reasons other than the passage of time.

## **Financial leases**

## 1. If the Group acts as the lessee

Wherever the Group acts as the lessee of an asset under finance lease, the leased asset is shown in the consolidated statement of financial position as an asset, according to the nature of the asset pursuant to the lease agreement, and at the same time, a liability in the same value is recorded in the consolidated statement of financial position, estimated as the lower of the fair value of the leased asset or the present value of minimum instalments payable to the lessor, plus, as applicable, the price of the purchase option.

Such assets are depreciated or amortized with the same criteria applied to the property, plant and equipment elements, or intangible assets for own use, regarding useful life, provided the property of the asset is transferred to the Group at the end of the contract, via purchase option or else; otherwise, the useful life is set as the term of the agreement or the useful life of the property, plant and equipment element, whichever is less. Lease instalments are split between interests and the decrease of the principal. Financial expenses are recognized in the statement of income for the period.

#### 2. If the Group acts as the lessor

Wherever the Group acts as the lessor of an asset under financial lease, the leased asset is not shown as property, plant and equipment given that the risks associated to the property have been transferred to the lessee; instead, a financial asset is recognized for the present value of the minimum lease instalments receivable plus the unsecured residual value.

Lease instalments received are split between interests and the decrease of the principal. Interest-related financial revenue is recognized in the statement of income for the period.

## **Operating leases**

Are lease agreements under which title to the leased asset and all substantial risks and benefits attached thereto remain with the lessor. The Group has assets received and delivered under operating lease agreements.



Payments or collections because of operating lease are recognized as expenses or revenue in the statement of income on a linear basis over the term of the lease agreement.

Contingent payments are recognized during the period they are incurred.

Wherever the Group makes or receives advance payments because of lease agreements, related to the usage of assets, such payments are booked as expenses paid in advance and collections are booked as revenue received in advance, and both are amortized over the term of the lease agreement.

#### **Cost for loans**

Loan costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or manufacturing of a qualifying asset, in other words an asset that necessarily takes a substantial period (generally more than six months) to become ready for its intended use or sale, are capitalized as part of the cost of the respective assets. All other loan costs are accounted for as expenses during the period they are incurred. Loan costs are made of interests and other costs incurred for securing the loan.

### Impairment of non-financial assets

At the closing of each annual period, the Group assesses whether there is indication that the value of an asset may be impaired. Assets with a defined useful life are subject to impairment testing at least once a year, provided there is objective evidence that, as result of one or more events subsequent to initial recognition, the book value thereof cannot be recovered, in full or in part.

Intangible assets with an indefinite useful life not subject to amortization are tested for impairment at the closing of each year, except for those intangible assets attached to a business combination still undergoing a measuring period where the purchase price allocation (PPA) has not been completed. Impairment indicators as defined by the Group, in addition to external data sources (economic environment and the market value of the assets, among other), are based on the nature of assets:

- Movable assets attached to a cash-generating unit: ratio between the net book value of the assets related to each store and sales value (VAT included). There is sign of impairment if such ratio is higher than the percentage defined for each format;
- Immovable assets: comparison of the net book value of the assets to market value.

In order to assess value impairment losses, assets are grouped at the level of cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units as applicable, and estimation is made of the recoverable value thereof. The Group has defined each store or each shop as a separate cash-generating unit; regarding goodwill, the generating units are grouped based on the brand, which represents the lowest value at which goodwill is monitored.

The recoverable value is the higher of the fair value less costs of sale of the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units and the value in use. This recoverable value is estimated for a separate asset unless such asset does not generate any cash flows independent of the cash inflows obtained by other assets or groups of assets.

Impairment losses are recognized with charge to period results in amount of the excess of book value of the asset over recoverable value thereof, first reducing the book value of the goodwill allocated to the cash-generating unit or group of cash-generating units; should there be a remaining balance, to all other assets of the cash-generating unit or group of units as a function of the book value of each asset until such book value reaches zero.

To determine the fair value less the costs of sale, a pricing model is used in accordance with the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units, if it can be established.

To assess the value in use:

- Estimation is made of future cash flows of the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units over a period not to exceed five years. Cash flows beyond the forecasted period are estimated by applying a steady or declining growth rate.
- The terminal value is estimated by applying a perpetual growth rate, according to the forecasted cash flow at the end of the explicit period.

- The cash flows and terminal value are discounted at present value, using a discount rate before taxes that corresponds to outstanding market rates reflecting the value of money over time and the particular risks attached to the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units.

The Group assesses whether the impairment losses previously recognized no longer exist or have decreased; in such events, the book value of the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units is increased to the revised estimation of the recoverable value, without exceeding the book value that would have been determined if no previous impairment had been recognized. Such reversal is recognized as a revenue in period results, except for goodwill which impairment is not reverted.

#### Inventories

Inventories include goods acquired with the purpose of being sold in the ordinary course of business, goods in process of manufacturing or construction with a view to such sale, and goods to be consumed in the process of production or provision of services.

Inventories in transit are recognized upon the Group's receiving all substantial risks and benefits attached to the asset, according to procurement conditions.

Inventories include real estate where the Group has started an urban development or project on the property with a view of selling it.

The Group's policy is that inventories are valued using the first-in-first-out (FIFO) method.

The cost of initial recognition includes the costs of purchase, costs of transformation and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition, that is to say, upon completion of the production process or receipt at the store. Logistics costs and supplier discounts are capitalized as part of the inventories and recognized in the cost of goods sold upon sale thereof.

Inventories are valued at period closing at the lower of cost and net realization value.

The Group assesses whether the impairment losses previously recognized in the inventory no longer exist or have decreased; in these events, the book value of inventories is the cost or the net realizable value, whichever is lower. This reversal is recognized as a decrease of the impairment cost.

The Group makes an estimation of obsolescence and physical losses of inventory, based on the age of inventories, changes in manufacturing and sale conditions, trade regulations, probability of loss and other variables affecting the recoverable value.

## Financial assets

Financial assets are recognized in the statement of financial position when the Group becomes a party pursuant to the contract terms and conditions. Financial assets are classified in the following categories:

- Financial assets at fair value through income;
- Financial assets measured at amortized cost:
- Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income;

The classification depends on the business model used by the Group to manage its financial assets and on the characteristics of the financial asset's contract cash flows; such classification is defined upon initial recognition. Financial assets are classified as current assets if they mature in less than one year; otherwise, they are classified as non-current assets.

## 1. Financial assets at fair value through income

Includes financial assets incurred mainly seeking to manage liquidity through frequent sales of the instrument. Instruments are measured at fair value and the variations in value are taken to income upon their occurrence.

## 2. Financial assets measured at amortized cost

These are non-derivative financial assets with known payments and fixed maturity dates, for which Group management has the intention and the capability of collecting the instrument's cash inflows under the contract.



These instruments are valued at their amortized cost using the effective interest method. The amortized cost is estimated by adding or deducting any premium or discount, revenue or incremental cost, during the remaining life of the instrument. Gains and losses are recognized in the statement of income by the amortization or if there were objective evidence of impairment.

These financial assets are included as non-current assets, exception made of those that mature in less than 12 months following the date of the statement of financial position.

## 3. Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

They represent variable-income investments that neither are held for trading nor are deemed an acquirer's contingent consideration in a business combination. Regarding these investments, upon initial recognition the Group has made irrevocable decision of presenting the gains or losses based on a subsequent measurement at fair value in other comprehensive income upon initial recognition.

The gains and losses arising from the new measurement at fair value are recognized in other comprehensive income until they are written off in asset accounts. In this event, the gains and losses previously recognized in equity are reclassified to retained earnings.

These financial assets are included as non-current assets, unless the Company intends to dispose of the investment within 12 months following the date of the statement of financial position.

#### 4. Write-offs

A financial asset, or a portion thereof, is written off in the accounts upon its sale, transfer, expiry or loss of control over contract rights or over the instrument's cash flows. When substantially all risks and benefits of ownership are retained by the Group, the financial asset continues being recognized in the statement of financial position at its full value.

## 5. Effective interest method

Is the method used to estimate the amortized cost of a financial asset and of the allocation of interest revenue during the entire relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated net future cash flows receivable (including all charges and revenue received that are an integral part of the effective interest rate, the transaction costs and other rewards or discounts), during the expected life of the financial asset.

## 6. Impairment of financial assets

Given that trade accounts receivable and other accounts receivable are deemed to be short-term receivables of less than 12 months from the date of issue and not containing a significant financial component, the impairment thereof is estimated from initial recognition and on each presentation date as the expected loss for the following 12 months.

For financial assets other than those measured at fair value, the Company estimates the expected losses over the life of the relevant asset. For this purpose, the Company determines if the credit risk arising from an asset assessed on an individual basis has significantly increased, by comparing the risk of failure on the date of presentation against that on the date of initial recognition; if so, an impairment loss is recognized in period results in the amount of the credit losses expected over the following 12 months.

#### 7. Loans and accounts receivable

Loans and accounts receivable are financial assets issued or acquired by the Group in exchange for cash, goods or services delivered to a debtor.

Accounts receivable from sales transactions are measured at invoice values less accrued impairment losses. These accounts receivable are recognized when all risks and benefits have been transferred to a third party.

Long-term loans (more than one year after issuance date) are valued at its amortized cost using the effective interest method wherever the amounts involved are material. Losses from impairment are recognized in the statement of income.

These instruments are included as current assets, except for those maturing after 12 months following the date of the statement of financial position, which are classified as non-current assets. Classification of accounts receivable which collection is expected over a period of more than 12 months and include payments during the first 12 months, is allotted to current portion and non-current portion.

## 8. Cash and cash equivalents

Include cash at hand and in banks, and highly liquid investments. To be classified as cash equivalents, an investment should meet the following criteria:

- Short-term investments, in other words, to be held less than or up to three months following date of acquisition;
- Highly liquid investments;
- Readily converted into cash, and
- Subject to a low risk of change in value.

In the statement of financial position, the accounting accounts showing actual overdrafts with financial institutions are classified as financial liabilities. In the statement of cash flows such overdrafts are shown as a component of cash and cash equivalents, provided they are an integral part of the Group's cash management system.

## **Financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are recognized in the statement of financial position when the Group becomes a party pursuant to the contractual terms and conditions governing an instrument. Financial liabilities are classified as financial liabilities at fair value through income and financial liabilities valued at amortized cost.

#### 1. Financial liabilities at fair value through income

Are classified under this category when held for trading or designated at fair value through income from initial recognition.

#### 2. Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost:

Include loans received and bonds issued, which are initially recognized by the cash received, net of transaction costs. They are subsequently measured at the amortized cost using the effective interest method and recognizing interest expenses on the basis of effective return.

## 3. Write-offs

A financial liability or a part thereof is written off in the accounts upon settlement or expiry of the contract obligation.

## 4. Effective interest method

The effective interest method is the method to calculate the amortized cost of a financial liability and the allocation of interest expenses over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that accurately discounts estimated future cash flows payable during the expected life of a financial liability, or, as appropriate, a shorter period wherever a prepayment option is associated to the liability and it is likely to be exercised.

## **Embedded derivatives**

The Group has implemented a procedure that enables assessing the existence of embedded derivatives in financial and non-financial agreements. Should an embedded derivative exist, and if the main agreement is not accounted for at fair value, the procedure defines whether the characteristics and risks thereof are not closely related with the core agreement, in which event separate booking is required.

## **Derivative financial instruments**

Derivative financial instruments are recognized, both initially and subsequently, at fair values. Derivative instruments are recognized as financial assets when its fair value involves a right, and as financial liabilities when its fair value involves an obligation.

The fair value of these instruments is estimated on the closing date of presentation of the financial statements.



The gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of derivative instruments are directly recognized in the statement of income, except those maintained under hedge accounting and deemed to be cash flow hedges or net investment hedges abroad.

Derivative transactions involve "forwards" and "swaps", aimed at reducing the market risk of assets and liabilities by using the best hedging structures available in the market, being able to stabilize debt service cash flows.

By using such hedging structures, regarding "forwards" the intention is to manage the foreign exchange risk, and regarding "swaps", additionally to manage the interest rate risk in foreign currency. The effects of both, derivative financial instruments and elements under the line item of net financial results are recognized in the statement of income.

Even if it is true that the Group does not use derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes, in these financial statements such derivatives have not been deemed hedge instruments given that they do not meet the requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards adopted in Colombia.

"Forwards" and "swaps" that meet hedge accounting requirements are recognized pursuant to the hedge accounting policy.

Financial derivatives are measured at fair value using financial valuation techniques based on discounted cash flows. The variables used for valuation are exchange rates in force on the valuation date applicable to the currencies agreed upon in the instrument and the interest rates associated thereto.

### Hedge accounting

The Group carries out hedge transactions under future-performance "forward" contracts and "swap" contracts, to cover the risks associated with changes in the exchange rates applicable to its investments and in the exchange rates applicable to its liabilities.

Hedge instruments are measured at its fair value and shall only be used if:

- The hedge relationship has been clearly defined and documented initially, and
- The efficacy of the hedge may be evidenced initially and throughout its life.

Documents include the identification of the hedge instrument, the item or transaction hedged, the nature of the risk being hedged and the manner in which the Group will measure the efficacy of the hedge instrument to offset the exposure to changes in the fair value of the item hedged or to changes in the cash flows attributable to the hedged risk.

Hedges are deemed to be efficient when there is an economic relationship between the item hedged and the hedge instrument, the effects of the credit risk do not prevail over the value changes arising from such economic relationship, and the hedge ratio is the same as that arising from the item hedged and the amount of the hedge instrument used.

Hedge instruments are recognized initially at fair value, on the date of execution of the derivative contract, and subsequently measured at fair value. They are shown as non-current assets or non-current liabilities wherever the remaining maturity of the item hedged goes beyond 12 months, and, failing that, as current assets and current liabilities if the maturity of the item hedged does not exceed 12 months.

Hedges are classified and booked as follows, upon compliance with strict hedge accounting criteria:

- **Cash flow hedges**: This category includes hedges covering the exposure to the variation in cash flows arising from a particular risk associated to a recognized asset or liability or to a foreseen transaction, which occurrence is highly probable and may have an impact on period results.

The effective portion of the changes in the fair value of derivative instruments defined as cash flow hedge instruments is recognized in other comprehensive income. The gain or loss related to the non-effective portion is immediately recognized in the statement of income.

Values recognized in other comprehensive income are reclassified to the statement of income wherever the hedged transaction has an impact on the results, on the same line item of the statement of income where the hedged item was recognized. However, when the foreseen transaction that is hedged results in recognition of a non-financial asset or a non-financial liability, the gains or losses previously recognized in other comprehensive income are reclassified at the initial value of such asset or liability.

Hedge accounting is discontinued upon the Group's voiding the hedge relation, when the hedge instrument matures or is sold, expires, or is exercised, or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. In those events, any gain or loss recognized in other comprehensive income is maintained in shareholders' equity and is recognized when the foreseen transaction actually has an impact on period results. When it is no longer expected that a foreseen transaction would occur, then the retained gain or loss recognized in other comprehensive income is immediately recognized in the statement of income.

- **Fair-value hedges:** this category includes hedges covering the exposure to changes in the fair value of recognized assets or liabilities or unrecognized firm commitments.

A change in the fair value of a derivative that is a fair-value hedging instrument is recognized in the statement of income as financial expense or revenue.

A change in the fair value of a hedged item attributable to the hedged risk is booked as part of the book value of the hedged item, and is recognized in the statement of income as financial expense or revenue.

Wherever an unrecognized firm commitment is identified as a hedged item, the subsequent accrued change in the fair value of the firm commitment attributable to the hedged risk will be recognized as an asset or liability and the relevant gain or loss will be recognized in period results.

 Net investment hedges abroad: this category includes hedges covering exposure to the variation in exchange rates arising from the translation of foreign businesses to the Group's presentation currency.

The effective portion of the changes in the fair value of derivative instruments defined as instruments to hedge a net investment abroad is recognized in other comprehensive income. The gain or loss related to the non-effective portion is immediately recognized in the statement of income.

If the Group would dispose of a foreign business, in whole or in part, the accrued value of the effective portion recorded to other comprehensive income is reclassified to the statement of income.

## Share-based payments

Employees (including senior management) of Grupo Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição - CBD, receive compensation in the form of share-based payments, by means of which employees render services in exchange for equity instruments ("Transactions settled with shares").

The cost of transactions settled with shares is recognized as a period expense with an increase in net shareholders' equity as balancing entry, over the period during which the performance and service conditions are met. Service conditions require that an employee complete a certain service period and performance conditions require than an employee complete a certain service period and certain performance goals.

Accrued expenses recognized from equity instruments at the closing of each period until the vesting date (irrevocability) of the benefit, reflect the degree in which the vesting period has expired and the best Group's estimation of the number of equity instruments that will eventually vest. It is understood that the vesting date is that on which Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD and employees reach agreement on share-based payments, that is to say, when the parties jointly agree on the terms and conditions of the agreement. On such date, Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD confer upon its counterparty the right to receive equity instruments, subject to compliance, where appropriate, of certain vesting conditions (irrevocability).

When an equity instrument is amended, the minimum expense recognized is the expense that would have been incurred if the conditions had not changed; an additional expense is recognized for any change that may increase the fair value of the share-based payment, or is of benefit to the employee, measured on the date of the amendment.



Upon cancellation of an equity instrument, treatment is given as if fully vested on the date of cancellation, and any unrecognized expense related to the premium is immediately recognized in period results. This includes any premium whose non-consolidation conditions, under the Group's or employee's control, are not met. However, if the plan that has been cancelled is replaced by another plan and is named as replacement on the date it is carried out, the granting plan cancelled and the new plan are treated as if they were and amendment of the original plan, as described in the preceding paragraph.

All cancellations of settled equity instrument transactions are treated equally (Note 27 Share-based payments).

#### **Employee benefits**

#### 1. Defined contribution plans

Post-employment benefit plans under which the Group pays predetermined contributions into a separate entity (a retirement fund or insurance company) and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions. Such contributions are recognized as expenses in the statement of income, to the extent that the relevant contributions are enforceable.

# 2. Defined post-employment benefit plans:

Post-employment benefit plans under which the Group is mandated to directly provide retirement benefit payments and retroactive severance pay, pursuant to legal requirements. The Group has no specific assets intended for guaranteeing the defined benefit plans.

Defined post-employment benefit plan liabilities are estimated severally for each plan, with the support of independent third parties, applying the projected credit unit's actuarial valuation method, using actuarial assumptions on the date of the period reported, such as salary increase expectations, average time of employment, life expectancy and personnel turnover. For the parent and its Colombian subsidiaries, information on actuarial assumptions is taken as a reference to Regulatory Decree 2496 of December 23, 2015. Actuarial gains or losses are recognized in other comprehensive income. Interest expense on defined post-employment benefits, as well as settlements and plan reductions, are recognized in period results as financial costs.

# 3. Long-term employee benefits

These are benefits not expected to be fully settled within twelve months following the closing date of the statement of financial position regarding which the employees render their services. These benefits relate to time-of-service bonuses and similar benefits. The Group has no specific assets intended for guaranteeing the long-term benefits.

The liability for long-term benefits is determined separately for each plan with the support of independent third parties, following the actuarial valuation of the forecasted credit unit method, using actuarial assumptions on the date of the reporting period. The cost of current service, cost of past service, cost for interest, actuarial gains and losses, as well as settlements or reductions in the plan are immediately recognized in the statement of income.

#### 4. Short-term employee benefits

These are benefits expected to be fully settled within twelve months and after the closing date of the statement of financial position regarding which the employees render their services. Such benefits include a share of profits payable to employees based on performance. Short-term benefit liabilities are measured based on the best estimation of disbursements required to settle the obligations on the closing date of the reporting period.

## 5. Employee termination benefits

The Group pays to employees certain benefits upon termination, wherever the Group decides to terminate a labor contract earlier than on the ordinary retirement date, or wherever an employee accepts a benefits offer in exchange for termination of his labor contract.

Termination benefits are classified as short-term employee benefits and are recognized in period results when they are expected to be fully settled within 12 months of the closing of the reporting period; and are classified as long-term employee benefits when they are expected to be settled after 12 months of the closing of the reporting period.

#### Provisions, contingent assets and liabilities

The Group recognizes as provisions all liabilities outstanding on the date of the statement of financial position, resulting from past events that may be accurately measured and settlement thereof may require an outflow of resources incorporating economic benefits and whose timing and/or amount are uncertain.

Provisions are recognized at the present value of the best estimation of cash outflows required to settle the liability. In those cases where the Group expects the provision to be reimbursed, in full or in part, the reimbursement is recognized as an independent asset with a revenue to income as balancing entry, only when such reimbursement is virtually certain.

The provisions are revised periodically, and quantified based on the best information available on the date of the statement of financial position.

Current obligations under contracts for consideration are recognized as provisions wherever unavoidable costs to be incurred in performing under the contract exceed the economic benefits expected to be received thereunder.

A business restructure provision is recognized wherever the Group has a constructive obligation to conduct a restructure, that is to say, when a formal and detailed restructure plan has been prepared and has raised a valid expectation in those affected because its overall conditions were announced prior to the closing of the reporting period.

Contingent liabilities are obligations arising from past events, which existence is subject to the occurrence or non-occurrence of future events not entirely under the control of the Group; or current obligations arising from past events, from which the amount of the obligation cannot be accurately estimated or it is not probable that an outflow of resources will occur for payment of the obligation. Contingent liabilities are not included in the financial statements; instead, they are disclosed in notes to the financial statements, except for those separately included in the purchase pricing report under a business combination, which fair value may be accurately established.

A contingent asset is a possible asset that arises from past events, which existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of future events not entirely under the control of the Group. Contingent assets are not recognized in the statement of financial position until revenue realization is virtually true; instead, they are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **Taxes**

Taxes include liabilities payable to Government by the Group, determined based on private assessments generated during the relevant taxable period; they include, among other:

## Colombia:

- Income tax,
- Income tax for equality CREE,
- Value added tax VAT,
- National excise tax,
- Tax on wealth and tax standardization,
- Property tax, and
- Industry and trade tax.

## Brazil:

- Financial Contribution to Social Security (COFINS),
- Social Security Tax (PIS),
- Corporate Income Tax (IRPJ),
- VAT on Sales and Services (ICMS),
- Tax on Services (ISS),
- Tax on Property (IPTU),
- Social Contribution on net profit (CSLL), and



- Imposto de Renda de Pessoa Jurídica (IRRF).

#### Argentina:

- Value Added Tax,
- Income tax.
- Province taxes.
- Tax on personal property substitute responsible party, and
- Trade and Industry municipal tax.

### **Uruguay:**

- Income tax (IRIC)
- Value added tax.
- Tax on equity,
- Real property tax,
- Industry and trade tax, and
- ICOSA tax.

#### **Current income tax**

The income tax for the parent and its subsidiaries in Colombia is assessed on the higher of the presumptive income and the taxable net income at the official rate applicable annually on each closing of presentation of financial statements. In addition to the income tax, there is the tax for equality CREE, and for the years 2015 to 2018 a CREE surtax, assessed on the same base as the income tax with certain additional clearance items.

In the case of Brazilian subsidiaries, the income tax includes the "Imposto de Renda da Pessoa Jurídica ("IRPJ")" and the "Contribuição Social sobre o Lucro Líquido ("CSLL")", assessed on the income adjusted pursuant to legal regulations: 15% on the adjusted income, and additional 10% on the adjusted income exceeding R\$240,000 for the IRPJ and 9% for the CSLL.

The income tax is assessed for subsidiaries in Uruguay at the official rate of 25% for 2015 and 2014; and for subsidiaries in Argentina, at the rate of 35%.

The income tax expense is recognized with charge to income.

Current tax assets and liabilities are offset for presentation purposes if there is a legally enforceable right, have been incurred with the same tax authority and the intention is to settle them at the net value, or realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

## Deferred income tax

Deferred income taxes arise from temporary differences and other events that give rise to differences between the accounting base and the taxable base of assets and liabilities. The deferred income tax is recognized at the non-discounted value that the Group expects to recover from or pay to tax authorities, assessed at expected tax rates to be applied during the period when the asset will be realized or the liability will be settled.

Deferred income tax assets are only recognized in as much as it is probable that in future the Group will have taxable income against which such deductible temporary differences may be offset. Deferred income tax liabilities are always recognized. Deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from business combinations have an impact on goodwill.

Deferred taxes are recognized in period results or in other comprehensive income depending on where the originating profits or losses were booked and are presented in the statement of financial position as non-current items.

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Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset for presentation purposes if there is a legally enforceable right and they have been incurred with the same tax authority.

The Group does not carry the deferred tax liabilities for the total of the differences that may arise between the accounting balances and the taxable balances of investments in associates and joint ventures, since the Group applies the exemption contained in IAS 12 when recording such deferred tax liabilities.

## **Shareholders' Contributed Capital**

Contributed capital is made of common shares.

Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares or options are shown under shareholders' equity as a deduction from the amount received, net of taxes.

#### Ordinary revenue

Net operating revenue includes the sales of goods at the stores, the provision of services, the sale of real estate inventory and complementary businesses such as insurance, travel, financing, telephone and transportation services, among other.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or to be received, net of trade rebates, cash discounts and volume discounts; value added tax is also excluded.

Revenues from the sale of goods are recognized when significant risks and benefits attached to the ownership of goods are transferred to purchaser, in most cases upon transfer of legal title, such revenues can be accurately measured and there is a probability that economic benefits from the transaction will flow into the Group.

Revenues from services are recognized in the period during which services are rendered. Wherever the provision of a service is subject to compliance with a number of commitments, the Group analyze the proper timing for recognition. Consequently, revenues or sales of goods can either be recognized immediately (when the service is deemed rendered) or be deferred over the period during which the service is provided or the commitment is fulfilled.

When goods are sold along with customer loyalty incentives, the revenue is allotted between the sale of goods and the sale of incentives, at fair values. Deferred revenues from the sale of incentives are recognized in the statement of income upon customer redemption for products, or upon expiry.

Intermediation contracts are analyzed on the grounds of specific criteria to determine when the Group acts as principal and when as a commission agent.

Revenues from dividends are recognized when the right to receive payment for investments classified as financial instruments arise; dividends received from investments in associates and joint ventures are recognized as lower value of the investment.

Revenues from royalties are recognized when conditions set forth in the relevant agreements are met.

Revenues from operating leases on investment properties are recognized on a linear basis over the term of the agreement.

Revenues from interests are recognized using the effective interest method.

Barter revenues are recognized: (i) upon actual bartering, assets are recognized at the fair value of the consideration received on the date of exchange; (ii) or at the fair value of goods delivered.

## Loyalty programs

Under its loyalty program, the Group awards its customers points on their purchases, which may be exchanged in future for benefits such as prizes or goods available at the stores, means of payment or discounts, redemption with allies and continuity programs, among other. The points are measured at fair value,



which is the value of each point received by the customer, considering the various redemption strategies. The fair value of each point is estimated at the end of each accounting period.

The obligation of awarding such points is recorded as a deferred revenue that represents the portion of unredeemed benefits at fair value, considering for such effect the portion of points expected not to be redeemed by the customers.

#### **Costs and Expenses**

Costs and expenses are recognized in period results upon a decrease in economic benefits, associated with a decrease in assets or an increase in liabilities, and the value thereof may be accurately measured.

Costs and expenses include all cash outflows necessary to complete the sales as well as the expenses required to provide the services, such as depreciation of property, plant and equipment, personnel expenses, payments under service agreements, repairs and maintenance, operating costs, insurance, fees and lease expenses, among other.

## **Operation segments**

An operating segment is a Group component that develops business activities from which it may obtain revenues under ordinary activities and incur costs and expenses, which operating results are reviewed on an ongoing basis by the highest operating decision-making authority of the Group, namely the Board of Directors, and regarding which distinct financial information is available. Company management assesses the profitability of such segments based on the revenues from ordinary activities.

Information by segment is structured in four main segments: Colombia, Brazil, Uruquay and Argentina. In turn, such segments are subdivided as follows:

- Colombia: Éxito, Carulla, Descuento, B2B. (Including all direct subsidiaries of Almacenes Éxito S.A. in the country).
- Brazil: Food, Non-Food, E-Commerce. (Including all subsidiaries of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD and holding companies).
- Uruguay: and holding companies.
- Argentina: and holding companies.

For information presentation purposes by segment, non-operating companies - Holding companies that hold interests in the operating companies - are assigned to the geographical area to which the operating companies belong. Should a Holding Company hold interests in various operating companies, it is assigned to the most significant operating company.

Total assets and liabilities by segment are not reported internally for management purposes and consequently they are not included in the note regarding disclosure of information by segment.

Information by segment is prepared under the same accounting policies as those applied to consolidated financial statements.

## Profits per share

The basic profit per share is calculated dividing the net profit for the period attributable to the Group, not including the average number of Group shares held by any subsidiary, as appropriate, by the weighted average of common shares outstanding during the period, excluding, if any, common shares acquired by the Group and held as Treasury shares.

The diluted profit per share is calculated dividing the net profit for the period attributable to the Group, by the weighted average of common shares that would be issued should all potential common shares be converted with dilutive effect. The net profit for the period, if any, is adjusted by the amount of dividends and interest related to convertible bonds and subordinated debt instruments.

The Group has not carried out any transaction having a potential dilutive effect leading to a profit per share on a diluted basis other than the basic profit per share.

## First-time adoption

Law 1314 of July 2009 governs accounting and financial information and information assurance principles and standards accepted in Colombia. In addition, Decree 2784 of December 28, 2012 established the legal technical framework for preparers of financial information classified under Group 1 pursuant to International Financial Reporting Standards. Subsequently, Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards" amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496, incorporated International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS/IAS), interpretations (IFRIC and SIC) and the Conceptual Framework issued until December 31, 2014, published by the *International Accounting Standards Board - IASB* in 2015. Application of such regulatory framework is mandatory in Colombia as from January 1, 2017, regardless that the conceptual framework for financial information is mandatory as from January 1, 2016; early application of both regulations is permitted. The parent has decided for the early application of the regulation.

The accompanying financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 are the outcome of the application of the regulations mentioned in the preceding paragraph. Pursuant to IFRS 1, to start such presentation and preparation, the opening balance sheet is that at January 1, 2014.

Standards applied in preparing these financial statements at January 1, 2014 are the regulations in force for the period ended December 31, 2014 and published by the *International Accounting Standards Board – IASB*, under the above-mentioned Colombian Decrees.

The first-time adoption of these standards in Colombia requires the parent to apply standards and interpretations in force, on a retroactive basis. The above means going back to the time of first recognition of assets, liabilities and equity items, and adjust them to IFRS requirements from such a time until the time of the opening statement of financial position.

The first-time adoption standard, IFRS 1, sets forth exemptions and exceptions to the retroactive application of International Financial Reporting Standards. Exemptions are optional, while exceptions are mandatory (retroactive application is not permitted). Consequently, the parent applied the following exemptions and exceptions:

## 1. Property, plant and equipment, and investment property

- The cost attributable to real estate property will be the fair value, which is the value of the technical appraisal under IFRS 13 on the date of transition conducted by an independent appraiser.
- The cost attributable to movable assets will be the restated value, which is the latest technical appraisal carried out pursuant to Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in Colombia (COLGAAP).
- The cost attributed to real estate property not appraised at fair value and to other movable assets not included in the preceding paragraph, was determined based on the restated cost, which was established as the book value under local GAAP.

## 2. Intangible assets

- The cost attributed to trademarks is the fair value, determined under the requirements of IFRS 13.
- Restatement of the cost of intangible assets to eliminate non-capitalizable outflows of resources pursuant to the IFRS.

## 3. Cost attributed to investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates

- No restatement of business combinations and acquisitions carried out, on the date of transition to the IFRS, in the consolidated financial statements for goodwill arising from mergers.
- For investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures adopting the IFRS earlier than the parent, the assets in the opening balance sheet were measured at book value as they appear in the financial statements of subsidiaries and associates and join ventures, after the relevant adjustments upon consolidation and application of the equity method.



## 4. Capitalization of borrowing costs in qualifying assets

The Group has elected to apply transient IAS 23 (Borrowing costs) provisions, which means capitalizing borrowing costs in qualifying assets as from transition date.

## 5. Designation of previously recognized financial instruments

Financial instruments previously recognized under Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in Colombia will be classified on the date of transition.

## 6. Measure at fair value of financial assets or financial liabilities in the initial recognition

Prospectively apply the requirements of IFRS 9 to transactions carried out as from the date of transition.

## 7. Derecognition of financial assets and liabilities

Prospectively apply the requirements of IFRS 9 to derecognition of financial assets and liabilities as from the date of transition.

### 8. Embedded derivatives

The analysis of separating an embedded derivative from the core contract, under existing conditions, was carried out on the latest of the following dates:

- The date on which the Group become a party to the contract.
- The date on which amendments were introduced to the contract, resulting in significant changes to contract cash flows.

#### 9. Hedge accounting

Not to reflect in the opening statement of financial position, the hedge relations that do not comply with the hedge accounting conditions set forth in IAS 39 - Financial Instruments: recognition and measurement.

## 10. Embedded leases

The Group has elected to apply transient IFRIC 4 (Determining whether an arrangement contains a lease) provisions, and has assessed all lease arrangements based on existing conditions at January 1, 2014.

## 11. Accumulated translation differences in the consolidated financial statements

Accumulated translation differences arising from foreign businesses are not restated; in other words, they will be deemed null on the date of transition.

Below are the significant adjustments made upon transition of the financial statements prepared under Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in Colombia to accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, enacted by Law 1314 of 2009 that relate to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) officially translated and authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496 without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained. Significant adjustments at the closing of December 31, 2014, date of the latest accounting period included in the annual financial statements presented under Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in Colombia are additionally shown:

Equity reconciliation			Adjustm		
		January 2014	Other comprehensive income	Other	December 2014
Shareholders' equity local GAAP	Note	7,860,630	Other comprehensive income	Other	8,159,057
Changes in assets					
Other increase (decrease) in debtors	Α	(500)	(5,550)	_	(6,050)
Adjustment to amortized cost of other financial assets	В	(630)	(950)	_	(1,580)
Adjustment to the fair value of financial assets	С	(127)	(4,916)	_	(5,043)
Other increase (decrease) in current assets	D	(64,924)	(10,784)	-	(75,708)
Adjustment from changes in the application or elimination of the equity method in investments	E	198,968	41,571	(4,672)	235,867
Adjustment from measurement at deemed cost in property, plant and equipment	F	758,752	-	-	758,752
Adjustment from depreciation of property, plant and equipment	F	-	102,832	-	102,832
Elimination of revaluation in property, plant and equipment	F	(1,311,642)	-	(73,168)	(1,384,810)
Other adjustments to the cost of property, plant and equipment	G	-	(6,340)	-	(6,340)
Elimination of deferred charges	Н	5,855	(2,388)	-	3,467
Adjustment in the cost of intangible assets	1	(13,004)	49,482	-	36,478
Finance lease adjustment	J	5,203	-	-	5,203
Other assets		-	-	-	-
Total (decrease) in assets		(422,049)	162,957	(77,840)	(336,932)
Changes in liabilities		-	-		-
Adjustment to amortized cost in financial liabilities	K	4,869	(733)	-	4,136
Recognition or adjustment to provisions	L	16,520	(6,024)	-	10,496
Adjustment to retirement benefit liabilities	M	4,894	(426)	-	4,468
Adjustment to other long-term employee benefit liabilties	M	26,081	1,429	-	27,510
Booking of credit deferred tax	N	14,910	70,066	-	84,976
Adjustment to customer loyalty programs	0	-	10,775	-	10,775
Adjustment to tax on quity	Р	(1,715)	(1,114)	-	(2,829)
Other liabilities	Q	(995)	(30,599)	99	(31,495)
Total increase in liabilities		- 64,564	43,374	99	108,037
Minority interest adjustment	R	228,789	(12,556)	49,445	265,678
Total increase (decrease) in equity		228,789	(12,556)	49,445	265,678
Total IFRS adjustments		(257,824)	107,027	(28,494)	(179,291)
Shareholders' equity under IFRS		7,602,806			7,979,766



## Reconciliation of total comprehensive income

		December 2014
Income under local GAAP	Note	458,865
Changes in assets		
Other increase (decrease) in debtors	Α	(5,550)
Adjustment to amortized cost of other financial assets	В	(950)
Adjustment to the fair value of financial assets	С	(4,916)
Other increase (decrease) in current assets	D	(10,784)
Adjustment from changes in the application or elimination of the equity method in investments $ \\$	E	41,571
Adjustment from measurement at cost attributable in property, plant and equipment $ \\$	F	-
Adjustments from depreciation of property, plant and equipment	F	102,832
Other adjustments to the cost of property, plant and equipment	G	(6,340)
Elimination of deferred charges	Н	(2,388)
Adjustment in the cost of intangible assets	1	49,482
Finance lease adjustment	J	-
Other assets	K	-
Total increase in assets		162,957
Changes in liabilities		
Adjustment amortized cost in financial liabilities	K	(733)
Recognition or adjustment to provisions	L	(6,024)
Adjustment to retirement benefit liabilities	M	(426)
Adjustment to other long-term employee benefit liabilties	M	1,429
Booking of credit deferred tax	N	70,066
Adjustment to customer loyalty programs	0	10,775
Adjustment to tax on quity	Р	(1,114)
Other liabilities	Q	(30,599)
Total increase in liabilities		43,374
Minority interest adjustment	R	(12,556)
Total decrease in shareholders' equity		(12,556)
Total adjustments		107,027
Total comprehensive income		565,892

Notes to shareholders' equity reconciliation at January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014 and comprehensive income for the period ended December 31, 2014.

# Note A: Accounts receivable

Assets that do not generate future economic benefits are not recognized in the financial statements; in this respect, the Group analyzed the recoverability of advance payments and wrote off those not complying with recognition criteria. Advance payments deemed to be recoverable are reclassified to each line item in the statement of financial position according to their purpose.

During the transition period, 2014, the Group recognized further impairment of accounts receivable arising from the application of impairment policies. Such higher value was recognized as operating expense in period results.

#### Note B: Amortized cost of financial assets

Certain investments and accounts receivable were classified to investments measured at amortized cost in accordance with existing conditions on the date of the opening balance sheet pursuant to the exemption of IFRS 1 elected by the Group, given that as part of its business model, Company management has the intention and the capability of collecting contract cash flows under the instrument.

According to the above, and given that to measure these financial instruments IFRS 1 does not set forth a voluntary exemption to make transition easier, the Group measured the financial assets at amortized cost using the effective interest method on a retroactive basis, including loans at rates lower than market rates.

During 2014, transition period, the effect of the valuation of investments and receivables at amortized cost resulted in higher financial expenses recognized in period results.

#### Note C: Fair value of financial assets

The adjustment recognized in the opening balance sheet includes:

- Measurement of investments at the fair value of derivatives designated as hedging instruments under local GAAP and which on the date of the opening balance sheet do not meet hedge accounting requirements. Such hedging instruments were recognized at fair value, which is determined by a valuation technique commonly used by market participants.
- The measurement of investments at fair value through other comprehensive income where the Group used the exemption of designating these financial instruments on the date of transition on the grounds of events and circumstances existing on the date of transition. The fair value of such investments was determined as reference to the prices listed in active markets if the instruments are listed in such markets; in all other cases, the fair value was measured at the book value under local GAAP, considering that the effect is immaterial and that carrying out a measurement applying a valuation technique commonly used by market participants might generate higher costs than the value of benefits.

During 2014, transition period, transactions related to the above items resulted in the following effect:

- Gains or losses arising from the valuation of derivative instruments were recognized in period results and did not generate material effects as compared to local GAAP, given that they were measured at fair value under both accounting policies.
- Losses related to investments at fair value through other comprehensive income during the transition period were recognized in such comprehensive result. Amounts previously recognized under local GAAP were reversed.

#### Note D: Other adjustments in current assets

Cost of inventories includes all costs arising from acquisition and conversion, as well as other costs incurred to bring inventories to the current condition and location, net of trade discounts, rebates and other similar items. Under local GAAP, financial discounts and other discounts related to the purchase of inventories are recognized as revenue in the Group's statement of income. Discounts granted by suppliers on the acquisition of inventories were included in the cost of inventories in the opening balance sheet and during 2014, transition period.

# Note E: Equity method in associates and joint ventures

In accordance with the exemption under IFRS 1, the net assets of investments in associates and joint ventures were recognized in the consolidated financial statements at the same book values included in the separate financial statements of such companies, after the adjustments from the application of the equity method pursuant to IAS 28. The effect of applying such procedure was recognized in retained earnings in the opening balance sheet. Equity variations in net assets of these invested companies during transition period were recognized in period results, in other comprehensive income or other equity components, in accordance with the nature of the originating item.

# Note F: Property, plant and equipment

On the date of the opening statement of financial position, the Group decided to measure the elements of investment property, plant and equipment under the following options, according to IFRS 1:

- The deemed cost of real estate property was determined based on its fair value on the date of transition, pursuant to IFRS 13 "Measurement at fair value", according to the estimation of an independent firm that used discounted cash flows as valuation technique.



- The cost attributed to movable assets was determined based on revalued GAAP, which corresponds to the latest technical appraisal carried out pursuant to Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in Colombia (COLGAAP) on the date of transition or on a previous date, and recalculate the depreciation from the date of the technical appraisal until the date of the opening balance sheet with the remaining technical useful life determined on the date of the appraisal.
- The cost attributed to real estate property not appraised at fair value and to other movable assets not included in the preceding paragraph, was determined based on the restated cost, which was established as the book value under local GAAP.
- There is also a decrease arising from the elimination of asset revaluation accounts recognized in the Colombian accounting system.

During 2014, transition period, a lower depreciation expense was recognized in period results, given that the useful lives determined by the Group were longer than those under local GAAP. In addition, an equity decrease in transition is shown, arising from derecognition of the asset revaluation accounts previously recognized in equity under local GAAP.

# Note G: Other adjustments to the cost of property, plant and equipment

Relate to the difference during 2014, transition period, between the gain and the loss from the sale of property, plant and equipment assets, given that the assets have different costs under local GAAP and under IAS 16 arising from the cost attributed in the opening balance sheet, as well as different useful lives.

#### Note H: Deferred charges

Under local GAAP, goods or services received from which economic benefit is expected in future periods are recognized as deferred charges, and they are amortized over the time expected to use or receive such benefit. In accordance with recognition criteria under IAS 38 for intangible assets, the Group derecognized the deferred disbursements on account of advertisement and other concepts capitalized in improvement to third party property.

During 2014, transition period, such deferred charges continued being amortized under local GAAP.

# Note I: Intangible assets other than goodwill

For the trademark Surtimax, received upon merging with Carulla Vivero S.A., the Group determined its deemed cost in the opening balance sheet using the option of fair value in application of the revenue approach, particularly the royalty method.

According to the options offered by IFRS 1, for all other intangible assets the deemed cost was determined based on the restatement option; such option consists of determining the deemed cost based on the acquisition cost, recalculating the amortization from the purchase date until the date of the opening balance sheet using the technical useful life for intangible assets with a finite useful life, and measuring the impairment of assets.

According with the above procedure, intangible assets not complying with the recognition criteria were derecognized and the trademark Surtimax was recognized at fair value in the opening balance sheet.

During 2014, transition period, a lower amortization expense was recognized in period results, given that the useful lives determined by the Group were longer than those under local GAAP.

# Note J: Leases

Under local GAAP, certain lease agreements where the Group is the lessee were classified as operating lease. The Group analyzed the transfer of the risks and benefits under such agreements on the date of commencement of the obligation, considering that IFRS 1 does not allow a voluntary exemption in the classification and measurement of IAS 17 - Leases. As a result, lease agreements are classified as financial leases in the opening balance sheet, recognizing the relevant asset and liability in the opening statement of financial position.

#### Note K: Amortized cost of financial liabilities

Pursuant to measurement requirements set out in IFRS 9, the Group valued issued bonds at amortized cost using the effective interest method, adding or deducting any premium or discount over the remaining life of the instrument, from the date of commencement of the obligation; in other words, the

measurement is carried out on a retrospective basis given that there is no voluntary exemption under IFRS 1 regarding the measurement of these financial instruments. In addition, the financial lease liability was valued using the constructive interest rate according to the criteria of IAS 17 - Leases.

During 2014, transition period, the effect of valuation of the amortized cost of such financial liabilities was recognized in income as a financial component. In addition, a lower value of lease expenses is shown, reflecting the payment for the use of the asset that under local GAAP was recognized in income and now is recognized as a lower value of the liability recognized.

#### Note L: Provisions

The Group recognized existing obligations on the date of the opening balance sheet, where an outflow of resources will be probably required to settle such obligations. The value accounted for represents the best estimation of the outflow of resources required for settlement. Additionally, provisions that did not meet the recognition criteria under IAS 37 Provisions, contingent assets and liabilities, were derecognized.

During 2014, transition period, provision-related effects resulted from:

- The effects of money value over time recognized in period results as a financial component.
- The effect of changes in the estimations and new provisions recognized in period results.

The above generated a higher value of provision expense.

#### Note M: Retirement pension benefit liabilities and other long-term benefits

The Group determined retirement benefit liabilities and other long-term benefits using actuarial calculation by applying the projected credit unit method foreseen in IAS 19. The effects of such measurement were recognized in retained earnings.

During 2014, transition period, the effect of measurement of retirement pension liabilities and other long-term benefits resulted from:

- Amounts related to the cost of present services and cost of past services in period results as operating expense.
- The effect of money value over time was recognized in period results as a financial component.
- The amounts related to actuarial (losses) because of retirement liabilities were recognized in other comprehensive income, and those from other long-term benefits were recognized in period results.

The above resulted in a higher value of expenses arising from retirement pension liabilities and employee benefits.

## Note N: Deferred tax

Under local GAAP, the deferred tax is determined based on temporary differences between accounting results and results for tax purposes. Under IAS 12, the deferred tax was determined based on temporary differences of the balances of assets and liabilities in the statement of financial position and tax-related balances, and including deferred tax assets arising from taxable losses, taxable credits and the excess presumptive income, wherever there is probability of future recovery. The most significant effect of such differences was recognized under retained earnings in the opening balance sheet.

For 2014, transition period, the effect of such differences was recognized under retained earnings and in other comprehensive results, according to the nature of the original entry.

# Note O: Loyalty program

Represents the measurement of liabilities arising from the customer loyalty program at fair value that, during 2014, transition period, was recognized in period results.

# Note P: Tax on equity

At January 1, 2014, the Group presented an equity tax-related liability. Such tax is triggered by the wealth held on January 1, 2011, equal to or exceeding \$1,000. For the purpose of this tax, wealth means the net equity of the taxpayer at January 1, 2011. Pursuant to tax regulations, such tax is to be paid in eight equal installments during 4 years (2 installments per year), according to the terms established by National Government.

The Group defined an accounting policy related to the treatment of this obligation, and measured such long-term liability at discounted value recognizing the effects of valuation in retained earnings.



During 2014, transition period, the adjustment in value over time of the tax on equity was recognized in period results.

#### Note Q: Other liabilities

Under local GAAP, the Group had recognized the inflation adjustments on constructions in progress and on non-monetary deferred charges in pre-operating stage until December 31, 2006 as credit deferred monetary correction and amortization thereof was applied as from the date on which revenue began to be perceived and during the term established for the relevant deferred charge.

In addition, the Group recognized inflation adjustments on the proportion of shareholders' equity regarding assets that generated a credit to the credit deferred monetary correction such as the debit deferred monetary correction, and amortization thereof was applied as from the date on which revenue began to be received and during the term established for the relevant deferred charge.

Inflation adjustments are not applicable by the Group given that it is not located in a highly inflationary economy pursuant to IAS 29. Such balances were recognized in retained earnings in the opening balance sheet and are not recognized in period results during the transition period.

Also, during the transition period, this component includes the effect of translation to the Group's presentation currency of the assets and liabilities of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures abroad, which shows differences in book values between local GAAP and the amounts reported by such subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures, considering the exemption applied by the Group in the opening balance sheet of not restating business combinations and incorporate the net assets of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures at the same book values as they appear in the separate financial statements of such companies after the adjustments required for consolidation and application of the equity method, under IFRS 1.

#### Note R: Minority interest

As of the date of the opening balance sheet, the Group conducted a control, joint control and significant influence analysis on stand-alone trust funds, which under local standards are classified as investments. As result, the Group classified such investments as subsidiaries and they are incorporated into assets and liabilities by global consolidation, as well as recognition of non-controlling interests. During transition period, this component includes the variations in non-controlling interests of stand-alone trust funds related to new contributions, payment of dividends and recognition of the participation in results.

In addition, this component includes the effect of the translation to the Group's presentation currency of foreign subsidiaries' assets and liabilities allotted to non-controlling interests.

#### Shareholders' equity revaluation

Under local GAAP, the Group recognized in shareholders' equity the inflation adjustments of balances in shareholders' equity accounts accrued until December 31, 2006, excluding the revaluation surplus. Pursuant to legal regulations, this balance may be distributed as profits upon winding-up of the company, or upon capitalization of this value. By means of Regulatory Decree 1536 of May 7, 2007, the National Government eliminated the accounting of comprehensive inflation adjustments as of January1, 2007.

Given that inflation adjustments are not applicable at the Group for it is not located in a highly inflationary economy pursuant to IAS 29, such balances were transferred to retained earnings.

# Variations in the consolidated cash flow 2014

At December 31, 2014, the most significant variations in the statement of cash flows represent:

- 1) Under operating cash flows, the clearance of the gain related to tax expense in amount of \$20,712 includes, in the cash flows presented under previous principles, the net of indirect taxes such as VAT, excise tax, etc. Under the current presentation, only that related to the income tax and the income tax for equality (CREE) in amount of \$179,063 is included.
- 2) In the clearance of period profit or loss, in cash flows related to operating activities, \$386,264 are included under previous principles for depreciation of property, plant and equipment, and intangible assets. The cleansed value in the presentation under IAS 7 is \$220,961 mainly due to the extension of useful lives of real estate assets and intangible assets.

- 3) Under the previous principles, the acquisition and disposition of temporary investments are classified as investment activities in amount of \$455,756.
  Pursuant to IAS 7, some of these investments meet the definition of cash equivalents, reason why such are classified as part of cash available in the presentation of the cash flow and \$6,706 are reported under investment activities.
- 4) In financing activities, \$62,567 are included under the previous principles representing realized exchange difference related to financial instruments.

  These items do not report cash movements, since the relevant inflows and outflows are classified where the main financial instrument has been classified.

#### Note 4. New and modified standards and interpretations

#### Note 4.1 Standards not yet in force.

## IFRS 15 Revenue from contracts with customers (May 2014)

The standard sets forth a unique comprehensive accounting model for ordinary revenue arising from contracts with customers. IFRS 15 will supersede the guidelines on recognition of ordinary revenue included in IAS 18 "Revenue", IAS 11 "Construction Contracts" and related interpretations, once applicable.

The core principle of IFRS 15 is that an entity recognizes the revenue from ordinary activities to describe the transfer of goods or services promised to the customers, in exchange for a sum that reflect the consideration the entity expects to be entitled to in exchange for such goods or services.

An entity recognizes revenue from ordinary activities pursuant to such basic principle, by applying the following stages:

- Stage 1: Identify the contract with the customer.
- Stage 2: Identify the performance obligations under the contract.
- Stage 3: Define the consideration for the transaction.
- Stage 4: Allocate the transaction price to performance obligations under the contract.
- Stage 5: Recognize the revenue from ordinary activities wherever (or in as much as) the company meets a performance obligation.

Pursuant to IFRS 15, revenue is recognized upon fulfillment of a performance obligation. The standard also includes guidance on specific aspects related with the recognition of revenue, and require a higher level of disclosure.

The standard will become effective for periods commencing on or after January 1, 2017. Company management is assessing the quantitative impact on information systems, internal processes and controls, arising from the new requirements set forth by the standard.

The Group does not consider early application since Decree 2496 of December 23, 2015 expressly forbids early application during the current year.

#### Note 4.2 Standards adopted early

#### IFRIC 21 - Levies (May 2013)

The interpretation includes the recording of outflows of resources mandated by the Government (government agencies and similar bodies), pursuant to the laws and/or regulations, other than the income tax, fines and penalties for breaches of the legislation and amounts gathered by the entities on behalf of governments.

It sets forth that the triggering event of the liability is the activity that results in payment of the levy, and mentions that the date of payment thereof does not affect the time when the liability is recognized.

The Group started to apply this interpretation as of January 1, 2014. The impact of application thereof during 2015 in the separate statement of income, line item other operating revenue and expenses and other profits, amounted to \$57,772 due to the recognition of the expense arising from the tax on equity enacted by the National Government through Law 1739 of December 23, 2014. The application during 2014 did not have any impact on period results.

In addition, this interpretation was applied to the recognition of the real estate tax in force in Colombia, with an impact in interim periods but not for the periods ended December 31, 2015 and 2014.



## Amendment to IAS 27 "Equity participation method in Separate Financial Statements" (August 2014)

The amendment gives entities the option of recording their investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates at cost, pursuant to IFRS 9 "Financial Instruments" or using the equity method as described in IAS 28 "Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures".

The Group elected the early application of this amendment, incorporating its effects from the preparation of its opening statement of financial position on January 1, 2014. Revenue under the equity method recognized on investments, associates and joint ventures for the period ended 2015 amounted to \$144,415 (2014 \$70,007).

# IFRS 9 - "Financial Instruments" (July 2014)

IFRS 9 introduced new requirements for the classification, measurement and derecognition of financial assets and liabilities, as well as new requirements for hedge accounting and impairment of financial assets.

The Group started to apply this standard as of January 1, 2014, without significant effects from implementation thereof.

#### Amendment to IAS 36 Information to be disclosed on the recoverable value of non-financial assets (May 2013).

This amendment includes the requirements of information to be disclosed on the recoverable value of non-monetary assets for which an impairment loss has been recorded or reversed. In these events, there is a requirement to disclose whether the recoverable value of assets was estimated from its fair value less disposition costs or value in use. Should fair values be used, it is required to disclose the value hierarchy used as set forth in IFRS 13 - Fair Value Measurement.

The Group started to apply this interpretation as of January 1, 2014. No transactions affected by this amendment were carried out during the reporting period, and there were no effects from implementation thereof.

# Amendment to IFRS 11 -Joint Arrangements - Accounting for acquisitions of interests in Joint Operations (May 2014)

The amendment sets forth that a joint operator should account for the acquisition of an interest in a joint operation that constitutes a business using the principles related to business combinations contained in IFRS 3 "Business combinations" and other standards.

The Group started to apply this interpretation as of January 1, 2014. No transactions affected by this amendment were carried out during the reporting period, and there were no effects from implementation thereof.

#### Amendment to IAS 16 and IAS 38 Acceptable methods of depreciation and amortization (May 2014)

The amendments make it clear that the methods of amortization based on revenue are not accepted, since they do not reflect the expected consumption pattern of the future economic benefits embodied in an asset. Such general rule might be refuted for intangible assets if the intangible asset is expressed as a function of revenues and it can be proved that the revenues and consumption of the economic benefits embodied in intangible assets are closely correlated.

The Group started to apply this interpretation as of January 1, 2014. No transactions affected by this amendment were carried out during the reporting period, and there were no effects from implementation thereof.

# Amendment to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 and IAS 27 Sales or contribution of assets between an investor and its Associate or Joint Venture (September 2014)

The amendments refer to a well-known inconsistency between the requirements under IFRS 10 and IAS 28 (2011), in the treatment of sales or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture.

The Group started to apply this interpretation as of January 1, 2014. No transactions affected by this amendment were carried out during the reporting period, and there were no effects from implementation thereof.

#### Annual improvement to IFRS Cycle 2012-2014 (September 2014)

Annual improvements to IFRS for the cycle 2012-2014 include:

- IFRS 5 "Non-current assets held for trading and discontinued operations", wherein it is made clear that wherever an asset (or group for disposition) is reclassified from "held for trading" to "held for distribution", or vice versa, this situation does not represent a change to the sales or distribution plan. This means that the asset (or group for disposition) does not need to be reinstated as if it had never been classified as "held for trading" or "held for distribution".
- IFRS 7 "Financial Instruments: Disclosures", includes two amendments for the purpose of analyzing disclosure requirements regarding financial instruments: (a) Provides guidance to help company management to determine whether the terms of a certain arrangement to provide financial asset management services make a continued implication, and (b) Makes it clear that additional information to be disclosed on the offsetting of financial assets and financial liabilities is not specific for all interim periods.
- IAS 19 "Employee benefits" clarifies that to determine the discount rate for liabilities arising from post-employment benefits, what matters is the currency of
  liabilities and not the country where they are triggered. Likewise, where there is no broad market of high-quality corporate bonds in such currency,
  government bonds are to be used in the relevant currency.
- IAS 34 "Interim financial information" requires cross-reference of interim financial statements to the location of such information.

The Group started to apply this standard as of January 1, 2014, without significant effects from implementation thereof.

The amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 12 and IAS 28 Consolidation exception for investment entities and their subsidiaries (December 2014)

Amendments to IFRS 10 clarify that an investment entity must consolidate a subsidiary that is not an investment entity and which supports the entity's investment activities, in such a way that it acts as an extension of the investment entity.

The Group started to apply this interpretation as of January 1, 2014. No transactions affected by this amendment were carried out during the reporting period, and there were no effects from implementation thereof.

#### Note 5. Business combinations

The provisional values at the time of acquisition were taken as the starting point to consolidate subsidiaries acquired in Brazil and Argentina; such values will be subject to modification and adjustment, as required, in as much as the process to allocate the purchase price be completed. The allocation of purchase price in in process and IFRS 3 (Business combinations) allows adjusting provisional values until up to one year following acquisition date of each subsidiary.

#### Note 5.1 Business combinations during 2015

# Acquisition of control over "Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição - CBD" and Libertad S.A.

In performance of the share purchase and sale agreements entered into with Casino Guichard Perrachon, on August 20, 2015, the parent, through the Spanish Onper Investment S.L., acquired the following operations:

- 100% of Libertad S.A., which operates the Libertad and Mini Libertad chains in Argentina; and
- 18.76% of the share capital and 49.97% of the voting rights in Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD, which owns the chains operating under the banners Pão de Açúcar, Extra, Assaí, Casas Bahia and Ponto Frio in Brazil, and the e-commerce operation through CNova.

The effective date of the business combinations for accounting purposes was August 31, 2015.

As result of the acquisition, the parent seeks to consolidate the Group as the leading retailer in South America, and become the largest company in Colombia in terms of annual consolidated sales. The price paid for the operations in Brazil and Argentina was USD \$1,536 million and USD \$292.6 million, respectively.

The provisional goodwill amounts to \$4,027,480, of which \$3,379,484 come from the operations in Brazil and \$647,996 from the operations in Argentina. For tax purposes in Colombia, 100% of the goodwill is not deductible from the income tax.

The method used to measure the fair value of the interest previously held by the parent in Cnova NV was the listed-price-of-the-share approach. Non-controlling interests were measured from the provisional values of these companies' assets and liabilities on the date of acquisition.



Revenue and net loss shown in the consolidated statement of income between September 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015 amounted to \$19,980,619 and \$25,575, respectively, for the Brazilian operations. For operations in Argentina, revenue and net income amounted to \$637,482 and \$19,002, respectively, both after eliminating intercompany transactions at a Group level.

Should operations had been included as of January 1, 2015, revenues and net loss would have been \$57,165,643 and \$3,189, respectively, for the Brazilian operations. For operations in Argentina, revenue and net income would have been \$1,606,690 and \$30,936, respectively.

Transaction costs related with the acquisition of the invested companies amounted to \$50,333 and were recognized as other operating expenses in the consolidated statement of income for the period ended December 31, 2015.

At present, the Group is in the process of allocating the purchase price - Purchase Price Allocation pursuant to IFRS 3 "Business combinations", with an independent advisor. The following table summarizes the consideration paid for these interests, as well as the provisional fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the date of gaining control, taken from the books and business combination adjustments identified to date, which are detailed as adjustments to the measurement period:

		mporary fair val August 31, 2015		Adjustme	ents measureme	ent period		ues 15	
	Brazil	Argentina	Total	Brazil	Argentina	Total	Brazil	Argentina	Total
Assets									
Cash and cash equivalents	1,460,170	76,012	1,536,182	(11,070)	3,044	(8,026)	1,449,100	79,056	1,528,156
Trade accounts receivable	6,121,468	126,934	6,248,402	(261,178)	(5,519)	(266,697)	5,860,290	121,415	5,981,705
Prepaid expenses	-	-	-	229,701	5,930	235,631	229,701	5,930	235,631
Inventories	7,189,300	235,424	7,424,724	(73,269)	-	(73,269)	7,116,031	235,424	7,351,455
Current tax assets	3,230,960	6,141	3,237,101	-	-	-	3,230,960	6,141	3,237,101
Assets classified as held for trading	13,208	-	13,208	-	-	-	13,208	-	13,208
Property, plant and equipment	8,623,140	109,858	8,732,998	(31,187)	-	(31,187)	8,591,953	109,858	8,701,811
Investment property	21,608	63,594	85,202	-	-	-	21,608	63,594	85,202
Intangible assets other than goodwill	3,718,046	14	3,718,060	(17,009)	-	(17,009)	3,701,037	14	3,701,051
Investments accounted for using the equity method	400,714	-	400,714	-	-	-	400,714	-	400,714
Deferred tax assets	559,284	9,745	569,029	(23,706)	-	(23,706)	535,578	9,745	545,323
Other non-current financial assets	831,297	-	831,297	-	-	=	831,297	-	831,297
Total identifiable assets	32,169,195	627,722	32,796,917	(187,718)	3,455	(184,263)	31,981,477	631,177	32,612,654
Liabilities									
Current financial liabilities	3,614,591	-	3,614,591	-	-	-	3,614,591	-	3,614,591
Non-current employee benefit provisions	10,916	-	10,916	-	-	-	10,916	-	10,916
Other current provisions	20,551	1,562	22,113	1,938	-	1,938	22,489	1,562	24,051
Accounts payable	10,276,713	350,148	10,626,861	63,126	503	63,629	10,339,839	350,651	10,690,490
Current tax liabilities	763,424	26,319	789,743	(17,300)	303	(16,997)	746,124	26,622	772,746
Other current non-financial liabilities	651,097	6,975	658,072	-	-	-	651,097	6,975	658,072
Non-current financial liabilities	3,415,787	-	3,415,787	-	-	-	3,415,787	-	3,415,787
Other non-current provisions	1,159,034	7,438	1,166,472	47	-	47	1,159,081	7,438	1,166,519
Non-current accounts payable	65,171	-	65,171	-	-	-	65,171	-	65,171
Deferred tax liabilities	1,075,624	-	1,075,624	19	-	19	1,075,643	-	1,075,643
Non-current tax liabilities	524,749	-	524,749	-	-	-	524,749	-	524,749
Other non-current financial liabilities	569,392	-	569,392	-	-	-	569,392	-	569,392
Total liabilities taken on	22,147,049	392,442	22,539,491	47,830	806	48,636	22,194,879	393,248	22,588,127



	Temporary fair values at August 31, 2015 (*)			Adjustme	nts measureme	nt period	Temporary fair values at August 31, 2015		
	Brazil	Argentina	Total	Brazil	Argentina	Total	Brazil	Argentina	Total
100% identifiable net assets and liabilities	10,022,146	235,280	10,257,426	(235,548)	2,649	(232,899)	9,786,598	237,929	10,024,527
Non-controlling interest	3,091,745	-	3,091,745	(126,498)	-	(126,498)	2,965,247	-	2,965,247
Net identifiable assets	6,930,401	235,280	7,165,681	(109,050)	2,649	(106,401)	6,821,351	237,929	7,059,280
Segisor's net identifiable assets	21,443	-	21,443	(11,070)	-	(11,070)	10,373	-	10,373
Interest									
Argentina	-	100.00%	100.00%	-	100.00%	100.00%	-	100.00%	100.00%
Segisor	50.00%	-	50.00%	50.00%	-	50.00%	50.00%	-	50.00%
Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD	18.76%	-	18.76%	18.76%	-	18.76%	18.76%	-	18.76%
Net identifiable assets and liabilities after application of the interest	1,307,065	235,280	1,542,345	(23,920)	2,649	(21,271)	1,283,145	237,929	1,521,074

The value of temporary goodwill is:

		Temporary fair values at August 31, 2015 (*)			nts measuremer	nt period	Temporary fair values at August 31, 2015			
	Brazil	Argentina	Total	Brazil	Argentina	Total	Brazil	Argentina	Total	
Consideration transferred	4,650,802	885,925	5,536,727	-		-	4,650,802	885,925	5,536,727	
Fair value of the previous interest in Cnova	9,189	-	9,189	2,638	-	2,638	11,827	-	11,827	
Less fair value of identifiable net assets	(1,307,065)	(235,280)	(1,542,345)	23,920	(2,649)	21,271	(1,283,145)	(237,929)	(1,521,074)	
Goodwill from the acquisition	3,352,926	3,352,926 650,645 4,003,571		26,558	(2,649)	23,909	3,379,484	647,996	4,027,480	

<sup>(\*)</sup> Relates to temporary fair values at August 31, 2015 as disclosed by Company management in the quarterly report at September 30, 2015.

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#### Acquisition of control over Grupo Disco Uruguay

As at September 2011, the parent had acquired a share interest of 62.49% in Grupo Disco Uruguay (GDU) under a situation of joint control arising from the capital structure and the various kinds of share capital, which was accounted for using the equity method until December 31, 2014.

On April 27, 2015, the parent entered into a Shareholder Agreement with non-controlling interests of Grupo Disco Uruguay -GDU, which granted it the voting rights of more than 75% of the share capital of Grupo Disco Uruguay - GDU, during an initial term of two years counted as from January 1, 2015 (effective date for accounting purposes, for no consideration). Resulting from such agreement, the parent ensures the exercise of effective control over Grupo Disco Uruguay - GDU and global consolidation thereof into the financial statements.

On the date of execution of the agreement, Grupo Disco had 28 establishments of the Disco and Géant chains, which, added to the Devoto operation acquired in 2011 and wherein currently the parent has 100% of the share capital, represent the largest retail operation in Uruguay.

The fair value of the parent's previous interest in Grupo Disco Uruguay - GDU amounted to \$1,067,037. The valuation method used to measure such fair value was mainly based on the discounted cash flow method and the effect thereof was recognized in period results in amount of \$29,681 at December 31, 2014 under other revenue.

Non-controlling interest in Grupo Disco Uruguay - GDU was measured at fair value and amounted to \$448,347. The valuation method used to measure such fair value was the discounted cash flow method, which considers a discount in value arising from the lack of control and the restriction associated to the sale of securities.

Below is a summary of the fair value of net assets acquired as of the date of the business combinations and at the closing of the measurement period, based on the purchase price allocation survey:



	Temporary fair values at January 1, 2015	Adjustments measurement period	Final fair values at January 1, 2015
Assets	·		
Cash and cash equivalents	132,858	-	132,858
Current trade receivables and other receivables	80,439	-	80,439
Prepaid expenses	3,624	-	3,624
Current accounts receivable from related parties and associates	3,947	-	3,947
Current inventories	106,831	-	106,831
Current tax assets, current portion	44,189	-	44,189
Other current financial assets	7,200	-	7,200
Property, plant and equipment	240,721	188,007	428,728
Investment property	19,466	60,191	79,657
Intangible assets other than goodwill	732	103,968	104,700
Non-current trade receivables and other receivables	4,399	-	4,399
Deferred tax assets	30,130	-	30,130
Other non-current financial assets	4,475	4,825	9,300
Total identifiable assets	679,011	356,991	1,036,002
Liabilities			
Current financial liabilities	4,117	-	4,117
Current trade payables and other accounts payable	250,204	7,315	257,519
Current accounts payable to related parties and associates	3,961	-	3,961
Current tax liabilities, current portion	49,616	-	49,616
Other current non-financial liabilities	10,347	1,292	11,639
Other non-current provisions	843	-	843
Deferred tax liabilities	-	56,463	56,463
Other non-current non-financial liabilities	12,785	-	12,785
Total liabilities taken on	331,873	65,070	396,943
Net assets and liabilities measured at fair value	347,138	291,921	639,059

The goodwill amounted to:

	Temporary fair values at January 1, 2015	Adjustments measurement period	Final fair values at January 1, 2015
Fair value of interests previously held in the acquiree	1,067,037	-	1,067,037
Non-controlling interest measured at fair value	448,347	-	448,347
Less fair value of identifiable net assets	(347,138)	(291,921)	(639,059)
Goodwill from the acquisition	1,168,246	(291,921)	876,325

The goodwill was fully allocated to the Uruguay segment and is attributable to the synergies expected from the integration of the operation of the stores acquired in this country. For tax purposes in Colombia, 100% of the goodwill is not deductible from the income tax.

The consolidation of Grupo Disco Uruguay - GDU since January 1, 2015 resulted in revenue from ordinary activities in amount of \$1,339,700 and generated a gain of \$75,372 after elimination of intercompany transactions at Group level. No consolidation was carried out during 2014.

Transaction costs related with the acquisition of the invested company were not significant and they were recognized as other operating expenses in the consolidated statement of income for the period.

#### Agreement between the Company and Caja de Compensación Familiar - CAFAM

During September 2010, the Company entered into an agreement with Caja de Compensación Familiar - CAFAM, which enabled the parent to operate the stores owned by Cafam, and enabled Cafam to operate the drugstores owned by the parent.

On February 23, 2015, the parties executed an agreement which main purpose was:

- The acquisition by the parent of the stores owned by Cafam, which had been operated by the parent since September 2010, date on which the inventories in amount of \$33,506 and property, plant and equipment in amount of \$21,200 associated to such stores had been purchased.

Since it is deemed a business combination completed in various stages, the consideration transferred of \$127,267 includes \$5,048 because of the measurement at fair value on the date of the business combination, of property, plant and equipment previously acquired by the parent. The amount recognized as goodwill amounts to \$122,219, based on the purchase price allocation survey, which is expected to be tax-deductible.

- The sale to Cafam of the drugstores owned by the parent, some of which had been operated by Cafam since September 2010, resulted in a net gain of \$74,515, recognized in period results under "Other revenue"
- The termination of the cooperation agreement executed in September 2010 by and between the parties.

The conditions precedent under the agreement, including approval by the relevant authorities, were completed on May 27, 2015.

Expenses associated with the acquisition of such stores were not material.

#### Exercise of the purchase option of the Super Inter stores.

On April 15, 2015, the parent exercised the purchase option with Comercializadora Giraldo y Cía. S.A. granted on the acquisition of 29 trade establishments, which had been operated since October 2014, and on the Super Inter trademark. Previously, the parent had acquired the inventories associated with such establishments in amount of \$29,833 under a separate transaction.

The price of acquisition amounted to \$343,920, out of which \$284,173 were paid at the closing on December 31, 2015.

Below is a summary of the fair values of identifiable net assets and liabilities of the business acquired, as of the date of acquisition and at the closing of the measurement period, based on the purchase price allocation survey:

	Temporary fair values at April 1, 2015	Adjustments measurement period (1)	Final fair values at April 1, 2015
Super Inter banner	95,121	(31,417)	63,704
Property, plant and equipment	18,169	-	18,169
Total identifiable assets	113,290	(31,417)	81,873
Total liabilities taken on	•	-	-
Net assets and liabilities measured at fair value	113,290	(31,417)	81,873

Operating goodwill amounts to:

	Temporary fair values at April 1, 2015	Adjustments measurement period	Final fair values at April 1, 2015
Consideration transferred	343,920	-	343,920
Less fair value of identifiable net assets	(113,290)	31,417	(81,873)
Goodwill from the acquisition	230,630	31,417	262,047

The goodwill of \$262,047 is attributable to economies of scale expected from the integration of the operations of the stores acquired and the parent's stores, which is expected to be tax-deductible.



Expenses associated with the acquisition of such stores were not material.

(1) Refers to the fair value measurement adjustment of the Super Inter trademark, resulting from the revision of the variables used in the initial provisional valuation.

# Note 5.2 Business combinations during 2014

In September 2014, the Superintendence of Industry and Trade authorized the transaction executed in February of that year to acquire Super Inter's trade establishments, subject to the sale of four stores (2 acquired and 2 operated) to a competitor. Consequently, the parent: (i) acquired 19 trade establishments for \$200,000 on October 16, 2014, (ii) operates 31 trade establishments over a five-year period and initiated operation thereof between October 16, 2014 and December 18, 2014, (iii) uses Super Inter's registered trademarks, and (iv) agrees on a purchase option by means of which Super Inter grants the parent the option to acquire in 2015 the remaining 31 trade establishments, as well as the mentioned trademarks.

The fair values of Super Inter's identifiable net assets and liabilities, as of the date of acquisition and at the closing of the measurement period, based on the purchase price allocation survey, are summarized as follows:

	Temporary fair values at October 16, 2014	Adjustments measurement period	Final fair values at October 16, 2014
Intangible assets	4,499	-	4,499
Property, plant and equipment	9,349	-	9,349
Non-current assets held for trading	6,740	-	6,740
Total identifiable assets	20,588		20,588
Total liabilities taken on	-	-	-
Net assets and liabilities measured at fair value	20,588		20,588

Operating goodwill amounts to:

	Temporary fair values at October 16, 2014	Adjustments measurement period	Final fair values at October 16, 2014
Consideration transferred	200,000	-	200,000
Less fair value of identifiable net assets	(20,588)	-	(20,588)
Goodwill from the acquisition	179,412		179,412

The goodwill in amount of \$179,412 is attributable to economies of scale expected from the integration of the operations of Super Inter's stores with the parent. The goodwill expected to be tax-deductible amounts to \$199,410.

Expenses associated with the acquisition of these stores amounted to \$7,831 and were recognized under other expenses in the statement of income for the period ended December 31, 2014.

The purchase option agreement on the acquisition of 31 trade establishments and Super Inter's registered trademarks could be exercised as of April 1, 2015 over 30 days, or until the date agreed upon by the parties. The transferred consideration consisted of \$250,000 and a contingent consideration in amount of \$90,000.

Revenue from ordinary activities contributed by these 17 stores between October 16, 2014 and the period ended December 31, 2015 amounted to \$43,097. Such stores also contributed with a net profit of \$1,613 during the same period.

Should these stores had been acquired on January 1, 2014, period results would reflect pro forma revenues from ordinary activities amounting to \$293,423 million and a net profit of \$9,682 million.

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# Note 6. Subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests

Below is a summary of financial information on subsidiaries whose non-controlling interests are material. Amounts are shown before consolidation eliminations among Group entities:



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			State	mentoffinancial	position		Statementofcomprehensiveincome					
Company	Current assets	Non- current assets	Current liabilities	Non-current liabilities	Shareholders' Equity	Controlling interest	Non- controlling interest	Revenue from ordinary activities	Income from continuing operations	Total comprehensive income	Controlling interest	Non- controlling interest
Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição - CBD	20,279,204	16,233,387	20,463,097	7,035,665	9,013,829	1,212,776	7,801,053	19,980,882	(26,455)	(69,213)	28,737	(97,950)
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Laureles	2,451	116,664	2,031	-	117,084	93,667	23,417	13,689	6,967	6,967	5,574	1,393
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Sincelejo	1,991	85,509	1,507	-	85,993	43,856	42,137	11,414	5,729	5,729	2,922	2,807
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Villavicencio	28,456	215,351	19,307	-	224,500	114,495	110,005	23,380	15,209	15,209	7,757	7,452
Patrimonio Autónomo San Pedro Etapa I	597	35,797	364	-	36,030	18,375	17,655	3,926	2,653	2,653	1,353	1,300
Patrimonio Autónomo Centro Comercial	4,365	116,565	2,452	-	118,478	60,424	58,054	11,826	8,687	8,687	4,430	4,257

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			Stater	mentoffinancia	lposition	Statementofcomprehensiveincome						
Company	Current assets	Non- current assets	Current liabilities	Non-current liabilities	Shareholders' Equity	Controlling interest	Non- controlling interest	Revenue from ordinary activities	Income from continuing operations	Total comprehensive income	Controlling interest	Non- controlling interest
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Laureles	2,594	119,216	2,064	-	119,746	95,797	23,949	13,416	7,047	7,047	5,638	1,409
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Sincelejo Patrimonio Autónomo Viva	8,407	87,405	5,282	-	90,530	46,171	44,359	10,372	5,184	5,184	2,644	2,540
Villavicencio Patrimonio Autónomo San Pedro	10,853	206,714	6,042	-	211,525	107,878	103,647	8,713	5,537	5,537	2,824	2,713
Etapa I Patrimonio Autónomo Centro	3,800	36,626	282	-	40,144	20,473	19,671	3,862	2,739	2,739	1,397	1,342
Comercial	11,203	117,910	602	-	128,511	65,541	62,970	10,623	7,707	7,707	3,931	3,776

Regarding cash flows, flows are as follows:

			2	015		2014						
Companies		Operatin g activities	Investmen t activities	Financing activities	Net increase (decrease)	Operatin g activities	Investmen t activities	Financing activities	Net increase (decrease)			
Companhia Brasileira Distribuição - CBD	de	8,921,884	975,100	(1,154,665)	8,742,319	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Patrimonio Autónomo \ Laureles	Viva	8,946	68	(9,629)	(615)	7,942	177	(10,707)	(2,588)			
Patrimonio Autónomo N Sincelejo	Viva	3,760	(1)	(10,266)	(6,507)	5,654	130	-	5,784			
Patrimonio Autónomo Villavicencio	Viva	32,683	(13,172)	(2,235)	17,276	7,306	(258)	-	7,048			
Patrimonio Autónomo San Pe Etapa I	edro	3,664	63	(6,820)	(3,093)	3,654	95	(1,303)	2,446			
Patrimonio Autónomo Ce Comercial	ntro	13,247	(1,027)	(18,720)	(6,500)	10,192	(9,018)	(4,817)	(3,643)			

During the period, the Group presented changes in its interests in the following subsidiaries, without losing control, which resulted from higher contributions by non-controlling interests and from the exercise of share-based payments related with the employees of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD:

	2015			
Company	Stock ownership before	Stock ownership after	Dilution	
Company	change	Dilution		
Éxito Viajes y Turismo S.A.S	100%	51%	49%	
Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição - CBD	18.7632%	18.7629%	0.0003%	
		2014		
Company	Stock ownership before	Stock ownership after	Dilution	
Company	change	change	Dilution	
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Villavicencio	54%	51%	3%	

There are no restrictions on the capability of the subsidiaries to transfer funds to the parent in the form of cash dividends, or loan repayments or advance payments.



#### Note 7. Cash and cash equivalents

The balance of cash and cash equivalents is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Local currency			
Banks	474,331	866,692	1,349,026
Cash in hand	301,339	538,154	285,933
Fiduciary rights (1)	76,085	122,568	67,480
Short-term deposits	-	916,031	829,498
Total local currency	851,755	2,443,445	2,531,937
Foreign currency			
Buy-back operations (2)	8,422,076	-	_
Banks	724,453	119,429	89,352
Cash in hand	26,216	2,558	2,049
Short-term deposits	36,476	144,270	85,856
Bonds (3)	7,741	244,236	7,968
Total foreign currency	9,216,962	510,493	185,225
Total cash and cash equivalents	10,068,717	2,953,938	2,717,162

- (1) For 2015, the parent shows restricted cash equivalents in local currency in amount of \$3,907, related to the profits from the film "Colombia Magia Salvaje", with the specific destination of a donation to Fundación Éxito.
- (2) Mainly relate to the reacquisition of securities of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD, with yields of 13.3% E.A.R. equivalent to 100.5% of the Interbank Deposit Certificate IDC (13.36% E.A.R.) They mature in less than 90 days of negotiation date.
- (3) For 2014 includes \$239,306 representing the investment in Polca Holding, a subsidiary of the Belgium Casino Group, at a 4.50% effective annual rate, settled on January 28, 2015 for \$251,973.

The Group registered a yield on cash and cash equivalents in amount of \$147,154 (2014 \$75,469) (See Note 32 Financial revenue and expenses).

Exception made of resources aimed at Fundación Éxito, there are no restrictions or liens that limit the disposition of cash and cash equivalents.

# Note 8. Trade receivables and other accounts receivable

The balance of trade receivables and other accounts receivable is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Trade accounts receivable (8.1)	2,994,796	142,352	159,433
Other accounts receivable (8.2)	923,638	76,638	75,809
Total accounts receivable	3,918,434	218,990	235,242
Current	3,326,474	202,309	219,201
Non-current	591,960	16,681	16,041

The balance of trade receivables and other accounts receivable is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Consumer financing - DCCI (1)	1,582,596	-	-
Sales on credit cards and other (2)	1,365,257	94,445	112,777
Extended warranty	167,972	-	-
Accounts receivable from suppliers	130,556	-	-
Employee funds	52,833	37,498	27,919
Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A. (3)	19,212	21,210	23,090
Impairment loss (4)	(323,630)	(10,801)	(4,353)
Total trade receivables	2,994,796	142,352	159,433

(1) Refers to Via Varejo sales financed through consumer direct credit under intervention (DCCI), that may be paid in up to 24 months; however, the term most used is less than 12 months.

Via Varejo has entered into agreements with financial institutions, which act as intermediaries in these transactions.

- (2) Refers to sales financed through consumer direct credit granted by intermediaries that may be paid in up to 24 months; however, the term most used is less than 12 months.
- (3) Includes items related with the operation of Tarjeta Éxito, such as royalties, reimbursement of shared expenses and collections from recovery of coupons, to be paid in the short term.
- (4) Impairment of receivables is estimated on a case-by-case basis, and recognized as net expenses in period results based on accounts overdue exceeding the behavior of the historic of payments; however, even if impaired, the Group deems such amounts as recoverable given the extensive credit risk analysis conducted on customers, including credit ratings where available in credit databases recognized by the market. For 2015 it amounted to \$312,829 (2014 \$6,448). The movement of the impairment of receivables during the period is as follows:

Balance at January 1, 2014	4,353
Impairment loss	10,867
Reversal of impairment loss	(1,708)
Receivables written-off	(2,711)
Balance at December 31, 2014	10,801
Acquisition via business combination	312,674
Recognized impairment loss	196,462
Reversal of impairment loss	(10,087)
Receivables written-off	(174,177)
Effect of exchange difference	(12,043)
Balance at December 31, 2015	323,630

Note 41 Policies on financial risk management includes the considerations on the credit risk for trade debtors.



#### Note 8.2 Other accounts receivable

The balance of other accounts receivable is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Accounts Receivable - Paes Mendonça (1)	423,512	-	-
Securities receivable	120,207	-	-
Rent instalments receivable	85,977	2,309	3,566
Business agreements	44,436	22,859	21,812
Accounts receivable from the sale of companies (2)	41,396	-	-
Money transfer services	26,587	-	-
Supplier contribution (3)	16,718	-	-
Promotional coupons	10,267	10,457	10,382
Distributors	8,223	8,472	14,193
Shipments	6,283	599	112
Tax claims	2,442	2,652	2,652
Other	137,590	29,290	23,092
Total accounts receivable	923,638	76,638	75,809

- 1) Since 1999, certain stores owned by Paes Mendonça S.A. (a supermarket network in Brazil) were leased through subsidiary Novasoc. Novasoc paid certain of Paes Mendonça S.A.'s liabilities, and even though the later has made partial payments, Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD still shows a receivable on this account. Pursuant to payment agreements entered into between the parties, balances receivable are updated from a monetary point of view by the IGP-M (Índice Geral de Preço de Mercado) and are secured with some stores operated by Novasoc. There is no objective evidence of impairment of such accounts receivable. Maturity of these accounts receivable is related to lease agreements, which were extended to April 30, 2016 under the same conditions previously agreed upon; they are deemed non-current assets given the possibility of turning such accounts into trade rights on the leased stores.
- (2) Refers to accounts receivable arising from the acquisition of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD's service stations. The amount of the account receivable is updated from a monetary point of view since the execution of the agreement on May 28, 2012, by 110% of the IDC, with payment foreseen in 240 monthly instalments.
- (3) The contribution of suppliers refers to the attention to purchase volume, price protection and part of the agreements defining the participation of the supplier in the expenses related to advertising, in subsidiary Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD.

Note 8.3 Trade receivables and other accounts receivable classified as current and non-current

The balance of trade receivables and other accounts receivable classified as current and non-current is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Current			
Consumer financing - DCCI	1,494,232	-	-
Sales on credit cards and other	1,365,257	94,445	112,777
Extended warranty	167,972	-	-
Accounts receivable from suppliers	130,556	-	-
Securities receivable	116,227	-	-
Rent instalments receivable	85,977	2,309	3,566
Business agreements	44,436	22,859	21,812
Employee funds	34,214	22,086	13,076
Money transfer services	26,587	-	-
Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A.	19,212	21,210	23,090
Supplier contribution	16,718	-	-
Promotional coupons	10,267	10,457	10,382
Distributors	8,223	8,472	14,193
Shipments	6,283	599	112
Tax claims	2,442	2,652	2,652
Other	111,152	28,021	21,894
Impairment loss	(313,281)	(10,801)	(4,353)
Total current trade receivables	3,326,474	202,309	219,201
Non-current			
Accounts Receivable - Paes Mendonça	423,512	-	-
Consumer financing - DCCI	88,364	-	-
Accounts receivable from the sale of companies	41,396	-	-
Employee funds	18,619	15,412	14,843
Securities receivable	3,980	-	-
Other	26,438	1,269	1,198
Impairment loss	(10,349)	-	-
Total non-current accounts receivable	591,960	16,681	16,041
Total accounts receivable	3,918,434	218,990	235,242

# Note 8.4 Trade receivables and other accounts receivable by age

The aging of trade receivables and other receivables, irrespective of impairment, for each period reported is as follows:

				Ove	due	
Years	Total	Not due	< 30 days	31 - 60 days	61 - 90 days	> 90 days
2015	4,242,064	3,491,673	217,477	119,036	107,287	306,591
2014	229,791	97,234	45,788	32,703	19,203	34,863
January 2014	239,595	132,099	37,820	24,687	13,404	31,585



#### Note 9. Accounts receivable from and accounts payable to related parties

Transactions with related parties refer to the sale of goods, loans granted and purchase of goods for sale. The balance of accounts receivable from and accounts payable to related parties is as follows:

	A	ccounts receivable	•	Α	ccounts payable	
	2015	2014	January 2014	2015	2014	January 2014
Controlling entity (1)	35,006	862	708	188,465	41,969	41,184
Associates (2)	7,961	24,537	-	9,553	1,020	-
Joint ventures (3)	-	18,877	8,914	-	12,230	18,513
Key management personnel	78	149	99	-	-	-
Members of the Board	-	-	-	1	-	6
Grupo Casino companies (4)	28,002	8,337	13,462	497,587	7,265	13,162
Other related parties (5)	238,191	100	90	5,735	1,343	2,168
Total	309,238	52,862	23,273	701,341	63,827	75,033
Current portion	63,251	52,862	23,273	688,637	63,827	75,033
Non-current portion	245,987	-	•	12,704	•	

- (1) Refers to accounts receivable and payable from the next agreements:
- a. Technical Assistance Agreement entered into between Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição and Casino on July 21, 2005. This agreement was authorized by the Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders on August 16, 2005 and terminated on August 1, 2014.
- b. Cost sharing agreement entered into between Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição and Casino on August 10, 2014, which purpose is the reimbursement of expenses incurred by professionals and companies of Grupo Casino to the benefit of the Company. The Board of Directors authorized this agreement on July 22, 2014.
- c. Expense reimbursement agreement entered into between Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição and Casino Global Sourcing, under which Cnova's initial public offering costs were partially reimbursed.

Other companies of Grupo Éxito have carried out technical assistance, insurance and administration support transactions with the controlling entity.

- (2) Refers to accounts receivable from and accounts payable to FIC Promotora de Vendas Ltda., mainly arising from the infrastructure contract executed with this entity (See Note 34.2 Transactions with related parties)
- (3) Accounts receivable and payable refer to transactions covering the purchase and sale of goods with Grupo Disco del Uruguay, of which Grupo Éxito has effective control since January 1, 2015 by virtue of a Shareholders Agreement entered into with non-controlling interests on April 27, 2015. (See Note 5 Business combinations).
- (4) Relate to loans payable to: Polca Emprestimos, Big C-Thailandia and other Grupo Casino companies; and to costs and expenses payable to C'est Chez Vous arising from home delivery services, to EMC from procurement centralization services, and to Easydis from logistics services.
- (5) Account receivable by Via Varejo from Casas Bahía Comercial Ltda. related to the "Primera Enmienda del Acuerdo de Asociación" (First Amendment to the Association Agreement) entered into between Via Varejo, GPA and Casas Bahia Comercial Ltda., that secures the reimbursement by Casas Bahia of certain contingencies recognized before June 30, 2010 (Date of the agreement).

Note 10. Inventories

The detail of the balance of inventories is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Inventories available for trading	8,658,466	1,204,501	984,251
Inventories of property under construction (1)	133,248	-	-
Inventories in transit	27,542	24,794	15,050
Materials, small spares, accesories and packaging material	17,546	13,535	16,464
Product in process	9,192	10,554	5,359
Raw materials	5,337	6,266	7,018
Inventory impairment (2)	(149,316)	(15,419)	(15,419)
Total inventories	8,702,015	1,244,231	1,012,723

- (1)The inventory of construction in progress mainly includes the Thera Faria Lima Pinheiros ("Thera"), Figue, Classic and Carpe Diem projects, and a store built on the first floor of the Thera project, related with Grupo Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD. The construction and incorporation is carried out by Cyrela Polinésia Empreendimentos Imobiliários Ltda., Pitangueiras Desenvolvimento Imobiliário SPE Ltda. and Hesa Investimentos Imobiliários Ltda. The Figue project started in February 2015, and delivery of the Thera, Classic and Carpe Diem projects is foreseen for 2016.
- (2) The variation in inventory impairment includes the effect of the acquisition via business combination of the operations of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD in Brazil and Libertad S.A. in Argentina, through Spanish Onper Investments 2015 S L. in amount of \$76.868.

The information related with the cost of sales, impairment and reversals of impairment recognized in inventories is shown in Note 29 Cost of sales.

The inventories are not subject to limitation or liens that restrict negotiability or realization thereof, and have been duly insured against all risks.

Note 11. Other financial assets

The balance of other financial assets is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Financial assets measured at fair value through income, foreign currency (1)	801,305	-	-
Derivative financial instruments designated as hedge instruments (2)	573,174	-	-
Financial assets measured at amortized cost (3)	136,179	141,209	138,324
Derivative financial instruments (4)	67,027	20,344	111
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (5)	1,046	9,691	1,034
Financial assets at fair value through income, local currency (6)	965	975	893
Total other financial assets	1,579,696	172,219	140,362
Current	445,365	25,119	1,977
Non-current	1,134,331	147,100	138,385

<sup>(1)</sup> Financial assets measured at fair value through income in foreign currency relate to some bank account balances representing legal and tax deposits amounting to \$795,278 that are not available to Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD for they are restricted to the payment of lawsuits brought against it. Balance thereof is monthly updated in the statement of income, using an interest rate (see detail below).



	2015
Deposit for tax proceedings	167,176
Deposit for labor proceedings	566,009
Deposit for civil proceedings	35,027
Deposit for regulatory proceedings	27,066
Total	795,278

The remaining balance of these assets represents restricted cash related to legal deposits in amount of \$203 for Libertad S.A. in Argentina and Grupo Disco Uruguay's investment in Bonds in amount of \$5,824.

(2) Derivatives designated as hedge instruments reflect the fair value of SWAP contracts for 100% of liabilities denominated in US Dollars at a fixed interest rate, of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD, exception made of DCCI - Direct consumer credit through an intermediary, exchanging such obligations at a floating IDC interest rate. The term of these contracts equals that of the debt and hedge both principal and interests. The IDC annual average rate in 2015 was 13.24% (10.81% in 2014). Reasonable values of these instruments are determined using valuation models, commonly used by market participants. The detail of maturities of these instruments at December 31, 2015 is as follows:

Derivative	Less than 1	From 1 to 3 From 3 to 6		From 6 to 1 year	More than 1	Total
Derivative	month months mo	months	riom o to i you	year	Total	
Swap	5,573	65,278	0,502	248,375	93,446	573,174

(3) Financial assets measured at amortized cost are investments that the Group intends, and has the capacity, to hold until maturity. Such investments are comprised of:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Bonos Tuya S.A. (3a)	136,166	136,397	136,444
Other investments to be held until maturity	13	4,812	1,880
Total	136,179	141,209	138,324

- (3a) Are investments in bonds issued by Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A., where the Company has the intention and capability of maintaining them until maturity. These investments are part of Tarjeta Éxito shared advertisement agreement, with nominal value of \$134,500, with a term of 10 years and a yield of CPI + 2% plus the share of profit under the agreement.
- (4) Derivative financial instruments reflect the fair value of forward contracts to cover the fluctuation in the exchange rates of liabilities. Reasonable values of these instruments are determined using valuation models, commonly used by market participants.
- (5) Financial assets measured at fair value with changes in other comprehensive income are equity investments not held for trading. The fair value of such investments is determined as reference to the prices listed in active markets if Companies are listed; in all other cases, the investments are measured at the attributed cost as determined in the opening balance sheet, considering that the effect is immaterial and that carrying out a measurement using a valuation technique commonly used by market participants might generate higher costs than the value of benefits. The fair value on each date of presentation is:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Fogansa S.A.	798	798	798
Other minor equity investments	248	231	236
Cnova (4a)	-	8,662	
Total	1,046	9,691	1,034

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(4a) CNova is a subsidiary of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD; consequently, up to August 31, 2015, date of the business combination, the investment in Cnova was classified as a financial instrument measured at fair value with changes in other comprehensive income; however, as from such date, it is classified as an investment in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates. As of this date, it is classified as an investment in a subsidiary.

Dividend revenues from investments neither were received nor were any such investments sold during the reporting periods.

(6) Include investments in debt securities of Fondo Valorar Futuro to manage liquidity, which are measured at fair value based on the Fondo's unit value. Changes in fair value are recognized as revenue or expense in the statement of income.

There are no restrictions or liens on other financial assets that restrict the negotiability or realization thereof, exception made of the investment of the parent in Tuya S.A.'s bonds, which were issued as part of the shared advertisement agreement on Tarjeta Éxito. Additionally, during the reporting periods none of investments was impaired.

#### Note 12. Non-current assets held for trading

## Note 12.1 Non-current assets held for trading in Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição - CBD

Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD, its subsidiary Via Varejo S.A. ("Via Varejo") and Casa Bahia Comercial Ltda. ("CB"), and the Consejo Administrativo de Defensa Económica ("CADE") entered into a Profitability Commitment Agreement ("PCA") to approve the Association Agreement executed between CBD and CB on December 4, 2009 and amended on July 1, 2010. As the main purpose of the PCA, Via Varejo was committed to sell 74 stores located in 54 municipalities over six states and in the Federal District of the Republic of Brazil.

Out of 74 stores, 32 were not sold. Consequently, pursuant to the PCA, these stores closed their operations between May and June 2014, paying a penalty of \$9,522. Sixteen of such stores reopened in November 2014 authorized by the CADE.

The remaining 42 stores were sold between October 2013 and January 2014, via direct sales to other companies and open auction. The CADE authorized those sales. During 2015, out of these 42 stores, 19 were not finally sold given that the negotiations between some acquirers and building owners were not successful, resulting in Via Varejo's recognition of a fine payable to CADE in amount of \$5,555 and a loss in fixed assets for \$5,555. Out of the 19 stores, 4 were closed and 15 are still to be closed during the forthcoming months.

Via Varejo sold and transferred 15 stores generating a gain of \$6,348 in 2015, of which \$6,347 are shown in retained earnings as part of the business combination with Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD and \$1 in period results.

The sale of the 8 remaining stores is still in process of negotiation. This process has been supervised by CADE, which has been monitoring the fulfillment of the agreement.

#### Note 12.2 Non-current assets held for trading in Libertad S.A.

In December 2015, the Board of Libertad S.A. decided to classify the construction of the "Parana" store as an asset held for trading. Consequently, the amount of \$12,432 was reclassified to the line item assets available for trading. It is expected that the sale will be completed within 12 months in an amount significantly higher than the book value of the asset.

# Note 12.3 Parent's non-current assets held for trading

Because of the agreements entered into with Comercializadora Giraldo y Gómez y Cía. S.A. and after the endorsement of the Superintendence of Industry and Trade (SIC), the parent acquired 19 trade establishments and the power to operate another 31, for a 5-year period, thus consolidating its leadership in the Valle del Cauca and Eye Cafeteria regions. By means of Resolution No. 54416 of September 12, 2014, the Superintendence made four stores subject to the condition of being sold to a third party during the first quarter of 2015. (See note 5 Business combinations for more details on the purchase option of the 31 operated stores).



In accordance with the above, 2 of the stores acquired in 2014 and under condition, were classified as a group of assets held for trading, given that:

- The book value of these assets will be recovered through sale and not through the use thereof;
- The assets are available for sale in their current condition;
- Company management undertook the actions required to complete the sale within one year, and
- The sale of these assets was required by a controlling entity and approved by Group Management.

These assets were recognized at the fair value of \$6,740, estimated using the revenue approach. Such assets were owned by the discount segment.

Both trade establishments were disposed of in February 2015, by means of a funded sale, resulting in a loss of \$1,714 recognized in goodwill; the above, taking into consideration that the Group is in the period of measuring the business combination. Comercializadora Giraldo y Cia S.A. should have sold the remaining two trade establishment.

# Note 13. Property, plant and equipment, net

The balance of property, plant and equipment is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Land	2,229,171	875,809	850,950
Buildings	8,334,449	1,223,484	1,157,488
Machinery and equipment	3,420,586	439,735	344,094
Furniture and fixtures	1,465,874	259,048	212,739
Assets under construction	380,486	129,081	174,827
Premises	739,041	-	-
Improvements to third party properties	252,362	163,627	135,407
Vehicles	102,461	3,778	4,033
Other property, plant and equipment	506,905	94,180	54,776
Total gross property, plant and equipment	17,431,335	3,188,742	2,934,314
Accumulated depreciation	(5,480,298)	(182,949)	-
Total net property, plant and equipment	11,951,037	3,005,793	2,934,314

The movements of property, plant and equipment during the reporting periods are as follows:

Cost	Land	Buildings	Machinery and equipment	Furniture and fixtures	Assets under construction	Premises	Improvements to third party properties	Vehicles	Other	Total
Balance at January 1, 2014	850,950	1,157,488	344,094	212,739	174,827	-	135,407	4,033	54,776	2,934,314
Acquisitions via business combinations	-	-	6,920	1,515	-	-	-	-	914	9,349
Additions	25,587	20,561	55,985	17,926	217,604	-	15,453	572	28,988	382,676
Increase (decrease) from transfers from (to) investment properties, plant and equipment	-	-	-	-	(142,778)	-	-	-	-	(142,778)
Increase (decrease) from transfers from (to) construction in progress, property, plant and equipment	-	48,012	33,550	27,299	(154,800)	-	34,917	2	11,020	-
Increase (decrease) from transfers from (to) property, plant and equipment to other Balance Sheet line items	-	-	-	-	18,177	-	(18,177)	-	-	-
Disposition of property, plant and equipment	-	(7)	(264)	(11)	-	-	(2,925)	-	(40)	(3,247)
Derecognition, property, plant and equipment	-	(4,836)	(103)	(83)	(895)	-	(1,581)	(829)	(708)	(9,035)
Other increase (decrease)	(728)	2,266	(447)	(337)	16,946	-	533	-	770)	17,463
Balance at December 31, 2014	875,809	1,223,484	439,735	259,048	129,081	-	163,627	3,778	94,180	3,188,742
Acquisitions via business combinations	1,465,199	7,307,626	2,972,422	1,158,146	193,334	765,393	37,288	114,633	350,481	14,364,522
Additions	27,461	172,373	172,228	83,027	503,474	22,214	-5,482	5,669	40,121	1,021,085
Increase (decrease) from transfers from (to) investment properties, plant and equipment	(66,235)	(57,503)	-	-	(33,609)	-	(3,632)	-	-	(160,979)
Increase (decrease) from transfers from (to) construction in progress, property, plant and equipment	390	70,834	56,090	41,736	(296,776)	-	106,170	33	21,523	-
Increase (decrease) from transfers from (to) property, plant and equipment to other Balance Sheet line items	12,696	106,633	9,295	2,676	(96,687)	7,935	(37,388)	-	30,424	35,584
Disposition of property, plant and equipment	(7,203)	(27,567)	(5,580)	(7,011)	(5,880)	(3,184)	(8,495)	(13,039)	(5,614)	(83,573)
Derecognition, property, plant and equipment	(1,898)	(9,678)	(35,239)	(2,202)	-	-	(1,451)	(10)	(143)	(50,621)
Decrease in assets classified as held for trading	(5,090)	-	-	-	(7,342)	-	-	-	-	(12,432)
Effect of exchange difference Other changes	(71,958)	(452,044) 291	(188,369) 4	(69,546)	(5,108) (1)	(53,317)	(19) 1,744	(8,603)	(24,067)	(873,031) 2,038
Balance at December 31, 2015	2,229,171	8,334,449	3,420,586	1,465,874	380,486	739,041	252,362	102,461	506,905	17,431,335



Accumulated depreciation	Land	Buildings	Machinery and equipment	Furniture and fixtures	Assets under construction	Premises	Improvements to third party properties	Vehicles	Other	Total
Balance at January 1, 2014	-		•	•	-		•	•	-	
Depreciation expense/cost	-	28,085	51,678	31,622	-	-	28,383	929	14,681	155,378
Effect from currency translation differences	-	16,613	4,814	6,597	-	-	-	(52)	2,180	30,152
Disposals	-	-	(85)	(82)	-	-	(1,581)	(816)	(45)	(2,609)
Other changes	-	14	(116)	241	-	-	5	(61)	(55)	28
Balance at December 31, 2014	-	44,712	56,291	38,378	-	•	26,807	•	16,761	182,949
Acquisitions via business combinations	-	2,427,462	1,524,440	573,648	-	372,161	17,494	32,853	267,756	5,215,814
Depreciation expense/cost	-	130,405	136,211	60,103	-	16,212	28,445	6,935	36,042	414,353
Effect from currency translation differences	-	(164,661)	(90,382)	(25,977)	-	(31,663)	2,308	(2,839)	(16,156)	(329,370)
Other changes	-	(1,108)	(842)	(723)	-	(10)	(557)	(23)	(185)	(3,448)
Balance at December 31, 2015		2,436,810	1,625,718	645,429	-	356,700	74,497	36,926	304,218	5,480,298

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Assets under construction are represented by those assets not ready for their intended use as expected by Company management, and on which costs directly attributable to the construction process continue to be capitalized.

The book value of property, plant and equipment under financial lease for the periods reported is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Buildings	17,514	-	-
Machinery and equipment	11,056	23,932	5,202
Furniture and fixtures	4,776	-	=
Vehicles and transportation equipment	14,907	15,695	-
Other property, plant and equipment	24,678	-	-
Total	72,931	39,627	5,202

No provisions for dismantling or similar provisions are included in the cost of assets, since after assessment the Group determined that there are no legal or contractual obligations requiring such estimations at the time of acquisition thereof.

There are no limitations or liens imposed on property, plant and equipment that restrict realization or negotiability thereof. For the periods reported, the Group has no commitments to acquire, construct or develop property, plant and equipment.

Compensation received from third parties arising from the damage or loss of assets are detailed in Note 31 Other operating revenue and expenses and other net income.

During the periods reported in these financial statements there was no impairment of property, plant and equipment. Information about the methodology applied to test for impairment is contained in Note 35 Impairment testing of assets.

# Note 14. Investment property, net

The Group's investment properties are business premises and plots of land held to generate income from operating lease activities or future appreciation of the price thereof. The balance of investment properties is made as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Land	272,874	152,954	162,062
Buildings	893,107	616,109	485,753
Total gross investment property	1,165,981	769,063	647,815
Accumulated depreciation	(82,381)	(14,288)	-
Total net investment property	1,083,600	754,775	647,815



The movement of investment property during the period is as follows:

Cost	Land	Buildings	Total	
Balance at January 1, 2014	162,062	485,753	647,815	
Additions	-	11,546	11,546	
Dispositions	(9,108)	(23,968)	(33,076)	
Transfers from property, plant and equipment	-	142,778	142,778	
Balance at December 31, 2014	152,954	616,109	769,063	
Acquisitions via business combinations	54,546	136,365	190,911	
Additions	6,352	68,437	74,789	
Transfers from property, plant and equipment	66,235	94,744	160,979	
Transfers to inventories	(8,275)	-	(8,275)	
Effect of exchange differences	1,285	(22,813)	(21,528)	
Other changes	(223)	265	42	
Balance at December 31, 2015	272,874	893,107	1,165,981	

# Accumulated depreciation

Balance at January 1 , 2014	•	-	-
Depreciation expense	-	14,949	14,949
Dispositions		(661)	(661)
Balance at December 31, 2014	•	14,288	14,288
Additions from business combinations	-	26,052	26,052
Depreciation expense	-	50,476	50,476
Effect of exchange difference	-	(8,736)	(8,736)
Other changes	-	301	301
Balance at December 31, 2015		82,381	82,381

Results arising from investment properties during the reporting periods are as follows:

	2015	2014
Revenue from leases	116,505	50,598
Operation expenses related to revenue-generating investment properties	(28,765)	(14,817)
Operation expenses related to non-revenue-generating investment properties	(20,032)	(11,998)
Income from investment properties	67,708	23,783

Note 38 discloses the fair values of investment properties, based on the appraisal carried out by an independent third party.

There are no limitations or liens imposed on investment property that restrict realization or negotiability thereof. For the reporting periods included in these financial statements, the Group has no commitments to acquire, build or develop investment properties, or to repair, maintain or improve such properties. In addition, the Group has not received compensations from third parties arising from the damage or loss of investment properties, nor has it accounted for impairment losses.

Information about the methodology applied to test for impairment is contained in Note 35 Impairment testing of assets.

#### Note 15. Goodwill

The balance of goodwill refers to the following business combinations:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD (1)	3,096,735	-	-
Libertad S.A. (1)	472,157	-	-
Spice Investment Mercosur (Uruguay) S.A. (2)	1,499,222	534,495	513,797
Carulla Vivero S.A. (3)	827,420	827,420	827,420
Super Inter (4)	453,649	179,412	-
Cafam (5)	122,219	-	-
Other (6)	50,806	50,806	50,326
Total	6,522,208	1,592,133	1,391,543

- (1) Refers to the business combination carried out in August 2015 to acquire the operations of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD in Brazil and Libertad S.A. in Argentina, through the Spanish company Onper Investments 2015 S.L. The values of net assets acquired are provisional and are in the process of being measured pursuant to IFRS 3 (See Note 5 Business combinations).
- (2) Refers to the business combination carried out in 2011 with the acquisition of the Uruguayan company Spice Investments Mercosur S.A. The value represents the cost attributed in the opening balance sheet, in exercise of the exemption of not to restate business combinations. Additionally, it includes the goodwill of the goodwill recognized by Spice in the acquisition of its subsidiaries in Uruguay, pursuant to options offered by IFRS 1. In 2015, it includes the goodwill arising from the business combination with Grupo Disco del Uruguay, resulting from acquisition of control at January 1, 2015 (See note 5 Business combinations).
- (3) Refers to the business combination carried out in 2007 by the parent in the merger of Carulla Vivero S.A. The value represents the cost attributed in the opening balance sheet, in exercise of the exemption of not to restate business combinations.
- (4) Represents the acquisition of 46 trade establishments under the banner Super Inter, of which 19 were acquired at the end of 2014 and the remaining 29 in April 2015. It also includes the acquisition of seven trade establishments between February 23, 2015 and June 24, 2015, and the loss from the sale of two assets under condition acquired in the business combination in amount of \$1,714. (See note 5 Business combinations and Note 12 Non-current assets held for trading).
- (5) Refers to the agreement executed on February 23, 2015, to acquire Cafam stores that had been operated by the Group since 2010. (See Note 5 Business combinations). The trade establishments acquired were subsequently turned into Éxito, Carulla and Surtimax stores, and for impairment testing purposes such goodwill was allocated as follows at December 31, 2015: \$80,134 to Éxito, \$29,075 to Carulla and \$13,010 to Surtimax. (See Note 35 Impairment testing of assets).
- (6) Refers to the non-significant acquisition of trade establishments that subsequently were turned into Éxito, Carulla and Surtimax stores, and for impairment testing purposes such goodwill was allocated as follows at December 31, 2015: \$10,540 to Éxito, \$28,566 to Surtimax and \$10,683 to Súper Inter. Additionally, the goodwill arising from the business combination with Gemex in amount of \$1,017 is included.

In accordance with the above-mentioned business combinations, the movement of goodwill was as follows:



Balance at January 1, 2014	1,391,543
Additions from business combinations	179,892
Effect of exchange differences	20,698
Balance at December 31, 2014	1,592,133
Additions from business combinations	5,245,138
Effect of exchange differences	(315,063)
Balance at December 31, 2015	6,522,208

During the periods reported in these consolidated financial statements there was no impairment of goodwill. Information about the methodology applied to test for impairment is contained in Note 35 Impairment testing of assets.

# Note 16. Intangible assets other than goodwill, net

The balance of intangible assets other than goodwill is made as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Trademarks (1)	1,881,018	17,427	17,427
Computer software (2)	1,827,865	65,976	35,882
Rights (3)	957,684	4,499	-
Customer-related intangible assets	26,675	-	-
Other	67,929	13,081	26,520
Total intangible assets other than goodwill, gross	4,761,171	100,983	79,829
Accumulated amortization	(1,055,106)	(18,913)	-
Total intangible assets other than goodwill, net	3,706,065	82,070	79,829

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The movement of intangible assets other than goodwill during the period is:

Cost	Trademarks (1)	Computer software (2)	Rights (3)	Customer- related intangible assets	Other	Total
Balance at January 1, 2014	17,427	35,882			26,520	79,829
Additions	-	37,273	-	-	140	37,413
Acquisitions via business combinations	-	-	4,499	-	-	4,499
Effect of exchange differences	-	410	-	-	-	410
Transfers	-	(7,402)	-	-	(13,334)	(20,736)
Disposals and derecognition	-	(187)	-	-	(275)	(462)
Other changes	-	-	-	-	30	30
Balance at December 31, 2014	17,427	65,976	4,499		13,081	100,983
Acquisitions via business combinations	1,988,175	1,718,179	1,019,737	28,633	105,707	4,860,431
Additions	19	103,084	794	-	30,550	134,447
Effect of exchange difference	(111,796)	(98,101)	(67,346)	(1,958)	(10,174)	(289,375)
Transfers	-	39,394	-	-	(47,672)	(8,278)
Disposals and derecognition	(12,807)	(667)	-	-	(23,563)	(37,037)
Balance at December 31, 2015	1,881,018	1,827,865	957,684	26,675	67,929	4,761,171
Accumulated amortization						
Balance at January 1, 2014	-	-		-		
Amortization expense/cost	-	18,098	504	-	559	19,161
Transfers	-	(463)	-	-	2	(461)
Effect of exchange difference	-	400	-	-	-	400
Disposals and derecognition	-	(187)	-	-	-	(187)
Balance at December 31, 2014		17,848	504		561	18,913
Acquisitions via business combinations	22	685,642	263,394	28,633	13,965	991,656
Amortization expense/cost	2	82,856	19,865	-	1,726	104,449
Transfers	-	4,617	-	-	(2)	4,615
Effect of exchange difference	(6)	(44,560)	(17,072)	(1,958)	(929)	(64,525)
Disposals and derecognition	-	(2)	-	-	-	(2)
Balance at December 31, 2015	18	746,401	266,691	26,675	15,321	1,055,106



- (1) Refers to the trademarks of:
- a) Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD in amount of \$1,688,474, allocated by business segments as follows:
- \$31,047 to "ASSAÍ" in the Food segment.
- \$1,285,660 to "Ponto Frio", \$318,430 to "Casas Bahia" and \$36,620 to Móveis Bartira. All of them in the Non-food segment.
- The e-commerce segment includes the following websites: www.pontofrio.com.br, www.extra.com.br, www.casasbahia.com.br, www.barateiro.com.br, www.partiuviagens.com.br and www.cdiscount.com.br, in amount of \$16,717.
- b) Libertad S.A., in Argentina in amount of \$23.
- c) Additionally it includes the trademarks of: Grupo Disco del Uruguay for \$111,369,Surtimax for \$17,427 acquired since the merger with Carulla Vivero in 2007, Super Inter for \$63,704 arising from the business combination with Comercializadora Giraldo Gómez y Cia S.A. and other for \$3 (See Note 5 Business combinations).

The useful life of these trademarks is indefinite due to the Group's considerations for use thereof, exception made of the "Leader Price" trademark of Libertad S.A. group, which is amortized over 5 years.

(2) Includes financial leases for the reporting periods, as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Software in Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição - CBD	70,851	-	-
Telephone plant	441	636	-
Total	71,292	636	-

- (3) Include the book value of the following rights:
- a) \$517,449 of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD, related with commercial rights, distributed by segment, as follows:
- Of "Pão de Açúcar", "Minuto Pão de Açúcar", "Extra Hiper", "Extra Supermercado", "Minimercado Extra", "Posto Extra", "Drogaria Extra" stores and "GPA Malls & Properties", in the Food segment, in amount of \$37,416;
- \$452,966 in the Non-food segment; and \$27,067 of the wholesale business at "ASSAÍ" stores also in the Food segment.
- b) \$55,725 of contracts under favorable terms and conditions on the assets of Casa Bahia Comercial Ltda. ("CB"), including stores, distribution centers and buildings, which are the purpose of operating lease agreements in advantageous conditions entered into by Via Varejo, a subsidiary of CBD. Measurement thereof was carried out based on market comparable transactions applying the Revenue Approach methodology. The asset was recognized in the business combination between CBD and the Company.

The useful life of this asset was defined to be 10 years based on the association agreement. It was found that market conditions at the time of the contract were not impaired as compared to the current position, and consequently there are no signs of impairment loss.

- c) Contractual rights arising from extended warranties in amount of \$117,819.
- d) Relates to the recognition of the contract entered into with Comercializadora Giraldo y Cia S.A. regarding the use for no consideration of the trademark Super Inter between October 2014 and April 1, 2015, date on which the business combination of 29 trade establishments and the Super Inter trademark was completed. (See Note 5 Business combinations).

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The following is a detail of the book value and the remaining useful life of amortization for material intangible assets:

	Remaining useful life	Book value		
		2015	2014	January 2014
Casas Bah banner	ía Indefinite	1,285,660	-	-
Pontofrio banner	Indefinite	318,430	-	-
Total		1,604,090	-	

No limitations or liens have been imposed on the reported intangible assets that restrict realization or negotiability thereof. For the reported periods, the Group has commitments to neither acquire nor develop intangible assets or impairment losses. Information about the methodology applied to test for impairment is contained in Note 35 Impairment testing of assets.

# Note 17. Investments accounted for using the equity method

The balance of investments accounted for using the equity method is made as follows:

Companies	Classification	2015	2014	January 2014
Financeira Itaú CBD – FIC FIC Promotora de Vendas Ltda.	Associate	286,588	-	-
Banco Investcred Unibanco S.A. ("BINV")	Associate	17,514	-	-
Grupo Disco Uruguay S.A.	Joint venture	-	1,037,079	990,290
Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S.	Associate	_	9,066	-
C-Latam S.A.	Associate	-	1,896	-
Fideicomiso Del Este	Joint venture	_	4,116	6,563
Total		304,102	1,052,157	996,853

Below is additional information on investments accounted for using the equity method:

					ership entage	Number o	of shares
Subsidiaries	Country	Functional currency	Main economic activity	2015	2014	2015	2014
Financeira Itaú CBD – FIC FIC Promotora de Vendas Ltda.	Brazil	Brazilian real	Investment	42%	_	453,683,261	
Banco Investored Unibanco S.A. ("BINV")	Brazil	Brazilian real	Investment	22%	-	95,290	-
Grupo Disco Uruguay S.A.	Uruguay	Uruguayan peso	Trade	-	62.49%	-	928,448,331
Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S.	Colombia	Colombian peso	Trade	-	49%	-	1,575,343
C-Latam S.A.	Uruguay	Uruguayan peso	Trade	-	30%	-	22,210,585
Fideicomiso Del Este	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	-	50%	-	N/A

For 2014, Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S and C-Latam S.A. were classified as investment in an associate. From August 31, 2015 on, with the business combination of the Brazil and Argentina operations through subsidiary Onper Investment 2015 S.L., control of such investment was gained and the investment was classified as a subsidiary.



For 2014, Grupo Disco Uruguay S.A. was classified as an investment in a joint venture. Control of such investment was gained as from January 1, 2015 and it was classified as a subsidiary.

The Este Trust Fund was settled as at December 2015.

The corporate purpose of associates in force during 2015 was:

**Banco Investcred Unibanco S.A.** is a company incorporated jointly with Unibanco - União de Bancos Brasileiros SA and Via Varejo SA. The company was incorporated in 1966 and its main place of business is Río de Janeiro, Brazil. Its purpose is providing financial services and products.

Financiera Itaú SA CDB crédito, financiación e inversión is a company incorporated jointly with Itaú Unibanco SA and Compañía Brasileña de Distribuição – CBD. The company was incorporated in 2004 and its main place of business is Sao Paulo, Brazil. Its corporate purpose is to carry out credit, finance and investment activities, and to manage credit cards.

Below is certain financial information on the companies that are measured under the equity method:

#### 2015

Companies	Current assets	Non- current assets	Current liabilities	Non- current liabilities	Shareholders' Equity	Revenue from ordinary activities	Income from continuing operations	Other comprehensive income	Total comprehensive income
Financeira Itaú CBD – FIC FIC Promotora de Vendas Ltda.	3,099,914	30,251	2,443,949	11,941	674,275	378,518	79,161	(25,138)	54,023
Banco Investcred Unibanco S.A. ("BINV")	31,047	-	796	-	30,251	1,587	794	(1,107)	(313)

#### 2014

Companies	Current assets	Non- current assets	Current liabilities	Non- current liabilities	Shareholders' Equity	Revenue from ordinary activities	Income from continuing operations	Other comprehensive income	Total comprehensive income
Grupo Disco Uruguay S.A. Cdiscount	398,143	516,127	323,745	12,785	577,740	1,090,980	60,382	21,515	81,897
Colombia S.A.S.	41,577	8,715	31,790	=	18,502	23,283	(13,648)	-	(13,648)
C-Latam S.A.	19	6,313	11	-	6,321	-	(10)	56	46
Fideicomiso Del Este	_	15,922	7,689	-	8,233	_	9	_	9

Dividends received from associates and joint ventures during 2015 amounted to \$19,313 (2014 \$22,667).

The reconciliation of summarized financial information reported to the book value of associates and joint ventures in the consolidated financial statements is:

2015

Companies	Shareholders' Equity	Ownership	Value of Group ownership	Other	Book value
Financeira Itaú CBD – FIC FIC Promotora de Vendas Ltda.	674,275	41.93%	282,724	3,864	286,588
Banco Investcred Unibanco S.A. ("BINV")	30,251	21.67%	6,555	10,959	17,514

2014

Companies	Shareholders' Equity	Ownership	Value of Group ownership	Embedded goodwill	Book value
Grupo Disco Uruguay S.A.	570,845	62.49%	356,721	680,358	1,037,079
Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S.	18,502	49.00%	9,066	-	9,066
C-Latam S.A.	6,321	30.00%	1,896	-	1,896
Fideicomiso Del Este	8,233	50.00%	4,116	-	4,116

There are no restrictions on the capability of the subsidiaries to transfer funds to the parent in the form of cash dividends, or loan repayments or advance payments. Additionally, the Company has no contingent assets incurred related to its participation therein. Embedded obligations acquired by the Company on behalf of subsidiaries, whose losses are higher than the investment therein are described in Note 20 Other provisions.

There are no investments in associates and joint ventures with material participation for the reporting periods.



Note 18. Financial liabilities

Book balances are made as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Local currency			
Current			
Bank overdrafts (1)	-	53	95,149
Bank loans (2)	216,207	73	46
Finance leases (See note 36)	41	5,414	-
Total current financial liabilities in local currency	216,248	5,540	95,195
Non-current			
Bank loans (2)	2,486,352	-	-
Finance leases (See note 36)	1,149	20,381	4,996
Total non-current financial liabilities in local currency	2,487,501	20,381	4,996
Total financial liabilities in local currency	2,703,749	25,921	100,191
Foreign currency			
Current			
Bank loans (2)	3,346,850	1,303	-
Put option (3)	310,323	-	-
Finance leases (See note 36)	37,227	-	-
Letters of credit	8,726	1,074	3,445
Sale of receivables	3,184	-	-
Total current financial liabilities in foreign currency	3,706,310	2,377	3,445
Non-current			
Bank loans (2)	4,024,868	-	-
Finance leases (See note 36)	195,192	16,035	-
Total non-current financial liabilities in foreign currency	4,220,060	16,035	-
Total financial liabilities in foreign currency	7,926,370	18,412	3,445
Total financial liabilities	10,630,119	44,333	103,636
Current	3,922,558	7,917	98,640
Non-current	6,707,561	36,416	4,996

<sup>(1)</sup> Bank overdrafts mainly arise from checks drafted and not collected.

(2) In August 2015, the parent entered into credit agreements with local banks in amount of \$3.25 trillion and with foreign banks in amount of \$1.21 trillion (USD\$400 million at the exchange rate of \$3,027.2) for the acquisition of the operations of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD in Brazil and Libertad S.A. in Argentina through the Spanish company Onper Investment 2015 S.L. Such credits are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, where transaction costs are included in amount of \$14,332.

Under both agreements, the parent commits to request approval from the banks if it requires to carry out the following transactions: encumber assets, enter into extraordinary agreements with any affiliate, incur additional liabilities wherever the result is breach of the credit agreement and/or without prior authorization from creditors; creditors shall automatically grant authorization if the occurrence index is complied with, measured using the latest separate financial statements released by the parent, among other. (See Note 41 Financial risk management policy).

Back in December 2015, the parent restructured its financial debt, and repaid the credits with domestic banks for total \$1.4 trillion and with foreign banks for total \$1.34 trillion (USD\$400 million at the rate of \$3,337.68). It obtained new credit facilities from domestic banks in amount of \$838,000 million and

from foreign banks totaling \$1.5 trillion (USD\$450 million at the rate of \$3,337.68). Such loans are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, including transaction costs in amount of \$20,254 million.

In addition, it refers to loans acquired by Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição - CBD for working capital in amount of \$3.2 trillion in the short term, and \$2.5 trillion in the long term, for DCCI (Direct Consumer Credit with Intervention) operations.

(3) The parent is party to a put option agreement with the holders of non-controlling investment of Grupo Disco del Uruguay. The exercise price of the option is based on a previously determined formula, and the option can be exercised at any time. The current option for the period ended December 31, 2015 is measured at fair value.

Below is a detail of annual maturities discounted at present value of non-current bank loans and financial leases for the period ended December 31, 2015:

Year	TOTAL
2017	2,686,800
2018	2,225,965
2019	550,462
>2020	1,244,334
Total	6,707,561

## Note 18.1 Financial liability commitments

Its purpose is to ensure compliance with the financial clauses applicable to interest-bearing debt and loans that define the capital structure requirements (covenants). Failure to comply with such financial clauses would result in the bank's promptly claiming repayment of debt and loans. No failure to comply with financial clauses has been reported regarding any interest-bearing debt or loan during the period.

In accordance with commitments acquired by the parent company by virtue of loans obtained to gain control of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD and Libertad S.A., below is the calculation of the net financial debt at December 31, 2015:

	2015
Short-term liabilities	
Current financial liabilities (1)	(3,922,558)
Other current financial liabilities (2)	(32,602)
Other current financial assets (3)	445,162
Long-term liabilities	
Non-current financial liabilities (1)	(6,707,561)
Other non-current financial liabilities (2)	(714,079)
Other non-current financial assets (3)	195,038
Contingent liabilities	
Guarantees granted and letters of credit (4)	(45,477)
Total gross liabilities	(10,782,077)
Cash and cash equivalents	10,068,716
Net debt	(713,361)
EBITDA (*)	2,031,230
Net debt/EBITDA (*)	0.35



(\*) With respect to a 12-month period prior to the date of estimation, the EBITDA is the aggregate of operating profit, depreciation and amortization and any other expense accrued during the same period and not involving cash outflows, and dividends distributed by Debtor's subsidiaries and actually received, either directly or through special-purpose vehicles 99% under the control of the Company, readily available and held in cash; or, regarding subsidiaries acquired during the period, the proforma dividends for the year of acquisition.

The calculation of the group's net financial debt includes the balances in the following accounting items:

(1) In August 2015, the parent entered into credit agreements with local banks in amount of \$3.25 trillion and with foreign banks in amount of \$1.21 trillion (USD\$400 million at the exchange rate of \$3,027.2) for the acquisition of the operations in Brazil and Argentina through the Spanish company Onper Investment S.L. Such credits are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, where transaction costs are included in amount of \$14,332 million.

Back in December 2015, the parent restructured its financial debt, and repaid the credits with domestic banks for total \$1.4 trillion and with foreign banks for total \$1.34 trillion (USD\$400 million at the rate of \$3,337.68). It obtained new credit facilities from domestic banks in amount of \$838,000 million and from foreign banks totaling \$1.5 trillion (USD\$450 million at the rate of \$3,337.68). Such credits are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, including transaction costs in amount of \$20,254 million and including the loans related with DCCI (Crédito Direto ao Consumidor por Interveniência) transactions, acquired by Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição - CBD, of which \$1,837,340 (R \$2,308 million) are short-term and \$900,360 (R \$1,131 million) are long-term.

Under both agreements, the parent commits to request approval from the banks if it requires to carry out the following transactions: encumber assets, enter into extraordinary agreements with any affiliated company, incur additional liabilities wherever the result is breach of the credit agreement and/or without prior authorization from creditors; creditors shall automatically grant authorization if the occurrence index is complied with, measured using the latest separate financial statements released by the parent.

- (2) Represents liabilities arising from the valuation of financial derivatives held by the Group and the accrued balance of the debt from bonds issued by Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD in amount of \$30,251 (R \$38 million) for the current portion and \$714,079 (R \$897 million) for the non-current portion.
- (3) Represents rights arising from the valuation of financial derivatives held by the Group.
- (4) The Group has unused established letters of credit totaling \$22,477 million pesos; in addition, it issued financial collaterals to subsidiaries in amount of \$23,000 million pesos.

## Note 19. Employee benefit provisions

Book balances are made as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Defined benefit plans (19.1)	34,109	21,217	21,756
Long-term benefits (19.2)	11,263	26,978	26,020
Total	45,372	48,195	47,776
Current	4,141	5,420	5,930
Non-current Non-current	41,231	42,775	41,846

#### Note 19.1 Defined benefit plans

The Group has defined the following benefit plans:

### a. Retirement benefit plan

Under the plan, a parent's employee will receive, upon retirement, a certain annuity paid monthly, retirement benefit adjustments pursuant to legal regulations, survivor's benefit, assistance with funeral expenses and June and December bonuses established by law. Such amounts depend on factors such as employee age, time of service and salary. The parent is responsible for the payment of retirement benefits to employees who meet the following requirements: employees who at January 1, 1967 had served more than 20 years (full liability), and employees and former employees who at January 1, 1967 had served more than 10 years but less than 20 years (partial liability).

For the Companhia Braseira de Distribução - CBD Group, the defined benefit plan is offered only to the employees of subsidiaries based in France, upon recognition of eligibility of such employees to receive a compensation on the date of retirement.

#### b. Retroactive severance pay plan

Under the plan, the parent will pay employees upon retirement a retroactive amount as severance pay, after deduction of advance payments. Retroactivity of severance pay is estimated for those employees to whom applicable labor laws are those prior to Law 50 of 1990, and who did not transit to the new system. This social benefit is calculated over the entire time of service, based on the latest salary earned.

#### c. Retirement bonus upon meeting of requirements to obtain an old-age retirement benefit

Under the plan, wherever the employees of the parent and of subsidiaries Distribuidora de Textiles y Confecciones S.A. and Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S. meet the age and contribution requirements to obtain a retirement benefit under the average defined benefit system, they are granted a cash bonus in accordance with the following range:

- Less than 10 years of service: \$1.5 million.
- Between 10 and less than 20 years of service: \$2 million.
- Between 20 and less than 30 years of service: \$3 million.
- 30 years of service or more: \$4 million.

Such benefit was modified during 2015, from a single one-time payment of \$1 million pesos upon retirement to the bonus range described above.

## d. Retirement bonus upon meeting of requirements to obtain a disability benefit

Under the plan, wherever the employees of the parent and of subsidiaries Distribuidora de Textiles y Confecciones S.A. and Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S. are granted a disability benefit by the relevant benefit administration entity, they will be granted a single retirement bonus in amount of \$4 million, provided a loss of 50% or more of capacity for work was qualified during the term of the labor agreement.

Such benefit was modified during 2015, from a single one-time payment of \$1 million pesos to \$4 million regardless of the time of service.

The old-age pension or disability pension bonus is granted under a collective bargain agreement.

Such benefits are estimated on an annual basis or wherever there are material changes using the forecasted credit unit. There were no changes in the methods and assumptions used when preparing the sensitivity analysis in prior years.

Below are the main actuarial assumptions included in the latest valuation, as well as the reconciliation of movements for defined benefit plans:



	Retirement benefits	Retroactive severance pay	Retirement bonus upon vesting of old- age and disbility retirement benefit	Total
Balance at January 1, 2014	20,936	820	•	21,756
Present cost of service	-	27	-	27
Interest expense	1,405	56	-	1,461
Actuarial (gain) loss from changes in experience	(152)	39	-	(113)
Actuarial loss from financial assumptions	309	9	-	318
Benefits directly paid by the Company	(2,072)	(160)	-	(2,232)
Balance at December 31, 2014	20,426	791	•	21,217
Acquisition from business combination	10,916	-	-	10,916
Present cost of service	794	25	61	880
Interest expense	1,336	49	60	1,445
Actuarial loss from changes in experience	177	343	218	738
Actuarial gain from financial assumptions	(3,393)	(20)	(228)	(3,641)
Past cost of service	-	-	4,465	4,465
Effect of exchange difference	(1,365)	-	-	(1,365)
Benefits directly paid by the Company	(2,134)	(152)	(33)	(2,319)
Other changes	-	-	1,773	1,773
Balance at December 31, 2015	26,757	1,036	6,316	34,109

The main assumptions used to assess defined benefit plans are:

		2015			January 2014	
	Retroactive severance pay	Retirement bonus upon vesting of old-age and disbility retirement benefit	Retirement benefits	Retroactive severance pay and retirement benefits	Retroactive severance pay and retirement benefits	
Discount rate	7.30%	7.30%	5.92%	6.90%	7.10%	
Annual salary increase rate	3.25%	3.25%	2.53%	3.25%	3.25%	
Future annuity increase rate	0%	0%	2.88%	3.25%	3.25%	
Annual inflation rate	3.25%	3.25%	2.88%	3.25%	3.25%	
Death rate (years)	59	59	61	59	59	
Death rate - men	0.001117% - 0.034032%	0.001117% - 0.034032%	0.001117% - 0.034032%	0.001117%- 0.034032%	0.001117%- 0.034032%	
Death rate - women	0.000627% - 0.019177%	0.000627% - 0.019177%	0.000627% - 0.019177%	0.000627%- 0.019177%	0.000627%- 0.019177%	

Employee turnover rates, disabilities and early retirements:

	Rates				
Service in years	2015	2014	January 2014		
From 0 to less than 5	29.98%	29.98%	29.98%		
From 5 to less than 10	14.60%	14.60%	14.60%		
From 10 to less than 15	8.59%	8.59%	8.59%		
From 15 to less than 20	6.41%	6.41%	6.41%		
From 20 to less than 25	4.92%	4.92%	4.92%		
25 and more	3.71%	3.71%	3.71%		

A quantitative sensitivity analysis regarding a change in a key assumption would result in the following variation of the defined benefit net liability:

		2015			2014	
Variation expressed in basic points	Retirement benefits	Retroactive severance pay	Retirement bonus upon vesting of old- age and disbility retirement benefit	Retirement benefits	Retroactive severance pay	Retirement bonus upon vesting of old- age and disbility retirement benefit
Discount rate + 25	(307)	(12)	(137)	(385)	(11)	N/A
Discount rate - 25	317	12	142	399	11	N/A
Discount rate + 50	(604)	(24)	(269)	(757)	(21)	N/A
Discount rate - 50	644	25	288	812	22	N/A
Discount rate + 100	(3,558)	(47)	(519)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Discount rate - 100	2,924	51	598	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual salary increase rate + 25	N/A	23	N/A	N/A	23	N/A
Annual salary increase rate - 25	N/A	(23)	N/A	N/A	(23)	N/A
Annual salary increase rate + 50	N/A	47	N/A	N/A	47	N/A
Annual salary increase rate - 50	N/A	(45)	N/A	N/A	(46)	N/A
Annual salary increase rate + 100	N/A	94	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual salary increase rate - 100	N/A	(89)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Contributions foreseen by the Group for the forthcoming years, funded with own resources will be:



Retirement benefits

## Retroactive severance pay

Retirement bonus upon vesting of old-age and disbility retirement benefit

Year	2015	2014	January 2014	2015	2014	January 2014	2015
2014	-	-	2,285	-	_	57	-
2015	-	2,010	2,279	-	40	13	-
2016	2,141	1,997	2,286	87	60	80	324
2017	2,080	1,974	2,263	96	69	74	376
2018	2,104	1,951	2,237	128	101	123	478
2019	2,104	1,942	10,842	169	136	534	558
>2019	107,200	31,163	-	1,059	803	-	12,199
Total contributions	115,629	41,037	22,192	1,539	1,209	881	13,935

The average duration of the liability for defined benefit plans at December 31, 2015 is 8 years (at 31 December 2014 was 7 years and at January 1, 2014 was 7.9 years).

The Group has no specific assets intended for guaranteeing the defined benefit plans.

The defined contribution plan expense at December 31, 2015 amounted to \$62,329 (2014 \$53,140).

# Note 19.2 Long-term benefits

The long-term benefit plan involves a time-of-service bonus payable to the employees of the parent and of subsidiary Distribuidora de Textiles y Confecciones S.A.

Such benefits are estimated on an annual basis or wherever there are material changes using the forecasted credit unit. There were no changes in the methods and assumptions used when preparing the sensitivity analysis in prior years.

Agreement was reached during 2015 with several employees who voluntarily decided to replace the time-of-service bonus with a single one-time bonus.

Below are the main actuarial assumptions included in the latest valuation, as well as the reconciliation of movements:

Balance at January 1, 2014	26,020
Present cost of service	1,462
Interest expense	1,730
Actuarial loss from changes in experience	1,064
Actuarial loss from financial assumptions	307
Benefits directly paid by the Company	(3,605)
Balance at December 31, 2014	26,978
Present cost of service	1,084
Interest expense	1,385
Actuarial gain from changes in experience	(10)
Actuarial gain from financial assumptions	(241)
Gain from settlements	(15,707)
Benefits directly paid by the Company	(2,226)
Balance at December 31, 2015	11,263

The main assumptions used to assess long-term benefit plans are:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Discount rate	7.30%	6.90%	7.10%
Annual salary increase rate	3.25%	3.25%	3.25%
Future annuity increase rate	0%	0%	0%
Annual inflation rate	3.25%	3.25%	3.25%
Death rate - men	0.001117% - 0.034032%	0.001117%- 0.034032%	0.001117%- 0.034032%
Death rate - women	0.000627% - 0.019177%	0.000627%- 0.019177%	0.000627%- 0.019177%

Employee turnover rates, disabilities and early retirements:

		Rates	
Service in years	2015	2014	January 2014
From 0 to less than 5	29.98%	29.98%	29.98%
From 5 to less than 10	14.60%	14.60%	14.60%
From 10 to less than 15	8.59%	8.59%	8.59%
From 15 to less than 20	6.41%	6.41%	6.41%
From 20 to less than 25	4.92%	4.92%	4.92%
25 and more	3.71%	3.71%	3.71%

A quantitative sensitivity analysis regarding a change in a key assumption would result in the following variation of the long-term benefit net liability:



Variation expressed in basic points	2015	2014
Discount rate + 25	(146)	(378)
Discount rate - 25	150	388
Discount rate + 50	(289)	(747)
Discount rate - 50	303	788
Discount rate + 100	(564)	N/A
Discount rate - 100	622	N/A
Annual salary increase rate + 25	156	402
Annual salary increase rate - 25	(152)	(393)
Annual salary increase rate + 50	314	813
Annual salary increase rate - 50	(302)	(777)
Annual salary increase rate + 100	643	N/A
Annual salary increase rate - 100	(591)	N/A

Contributions foreseen by the Group for the forthcoming years, funded with own resources will be:

Year	2015	2014	January 2014
2014	-	-	3,588
2015	-	3,370	3,016
2016	1,616	3,767	3,508
2017	1,614	3,432	3,193
2018	1,396	3,145	2,932
2019	1,379	2,842	11,832
>2019	11,864	26,693	-
Total contributions	17,869	43,249	28,069

The average duration of the liability for long-term benefit plans at December 31, 2015 is 5.6 years (at December 31, 2014 was 5.8 years and at January 1, 2014 was 6.6 years).

The Group has no devoted specific assets to guarantee payment of the time-of-service bonus.

# Note 20. Other provisions

The balance of other provisions is made as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Legal proceedings (1)	731,720	33,764	24,357
Taxes other than income tax (2)	426,783	9,409	9,163
Restructuring (3)	13,072	14,500	-
Other (4)	16,026	6,337	1,148
Total other provisions	1,187,601	64,010	34,668
Current	62,919	50,796	34,668
Non-current	1,124,682	13,214	-

The movement of provisions during the period is as follows:

	Legal proceedings (1)	Taxes other than income tax (2)	Restructuring (3)	Other (4)	Total
Balance at January 1, 2014	24,357	9,163		1,148	34,668
Increase	14,735	286	14,500	5,334	34,855
Uses	(5,328)	(40)	-	(145)	(5,513)
Balance at December 31, 2014	33,764	9,409	14,500	6,337	64,010
Acquisition via business combination	741,036	429,323	15,456	5,598	1,191,413
Increase	296,100	22,742	10,366	38,806	368,014
Uses	(129,107)	(10,511)	(26,113)	(25,692)	(191,423)
Reversals (not used)	(204,838)	(13,814)	(101)	(7,791)	(226,544)
Increase from the passing of time	37,209	11,354	-	-	48,563
Transfers	3,621	6,324	-	(142)	9,803
Effect of exchange difference	(46,065)	(28,044)	(1,036)	(1,090)	(76,235)
Balance at December 31, 2015	731,720	426,783	13,072	16,026	1,187,601

Provisions are made of:

(1 Provisions for lawsuits are recognized to cover estimated potential losses arising from lawsuits brought against the Group,as follows: labor claims, in amount of \$496,049 (2014 \$25,077, January 2014 \$10,342); civil, claims in amount of \$205,126 (2014 \$8,687, January 2014 \$14,015); administrative and regulatory claims, in amount of \$27,606 and other claims in amount of \$2,939, which are assessed based on the best estimation of cash outflows required to settle the liability on the date of preparation of the financial statements.

For 2015, labor provisions mainly refer to lawsuits brought against Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD and its subsidiaries in amount of \$475,257, which are updated pursuant to a chart provided by the TST ("Tribunal Superior do Trabalho") plus a 1% monthly interest rate. Civil lawsuit-related provisions mainly refer to cases brought against Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD and its subsidiaries in amount of \$197,426, amount that we highlight:

- a. Legal actions seeking the revision of contracts and renewals on lease installments agreed upon. The Group recorded a provision for the difference between amounts paid and amounts disputed by the counterparty in the legal action, when in the opinion of in-house and external counsels there is probability of adjustment to the installments paid by the Group. At December 31, 2015, the provisions to protect against such legal actions amounted to \$35,823 for which there are no legal deposits covering said amount; should there be such deposits, they are recognized as other financial assets.
- b. Fines imposed by regulatory agencies, mainly Brazilian consumer defense agencies PROCONs and INMETRO and local mayor's offices. At December 31, 2015, such provision amounted to \$27,067.
- c. Legal actions brought against subsidiary Via Varejo related to consumer rights and lawsuits on termination of supplier contracts. At December 31, 2015, such provision amounted to \$50,949.
- (2) Tax provisions other than income tax provisions relate to tax lawsuits in which Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD and its subsidiaries are a party, in amount of \$411,571 (2014 \$0, January 2014 \$0), which by law are subject to monthly monetary indexation according to the official rates applied by each tax jurisdiction; lawsuits related to the Industry and Trade Tax in amount of \$3,256 (2014 \$3,330, January 2014 \$3,044); real estate tax in amount of \$5,556 (2014 \$6,079, January 2014 \$5,579), and other in amount of \$6,400 (2014 \$0, January 2014 \$540).

The most significant tax lawsuits under provision are:

a. Social contribution to finance social security (Contribución social para Financiación a la Seguridad Social - COFINS) and Social integration program (programa de integración social - PIS): Under the non-cumulative system to calculate PIS and COFINS, the Group claimed its right to exclude the



value of the Impuesto a la Circulación de Mercaderías y Servicios - ICMS (Tax on the Movement of Goods and Services) from the basis to assess these two contributions and other less relevant matters. The value of the provision at December 31, 2015 is \$81,996.

- b. Tax on the Movement of Goods and Services (ICMS): Pursuant to a ruling dated October 16, 2014, the Higher Federal Court (STF) defined that ICMS taxpayers who trade products other than the basic basket are not entitled to legally apply the credits of such tax; consequently, the Group, supported by their external advisors, deemed it appropriate to make a provision in amount of \$101,898.
- c. Complementary law No. 110/2001: Through judicial action the Group is discussing the right of not to recognize the additional contributions set forth in Complementary Law No. 110/2001, established to carry out the costing of the Fundo de Garantia do Tempo de Serviço (FGTS). The value of the provision at December 31, 2015 is \$49,357.
- d. Proceedings to offset Via Varejo's asset tax accounts: Tax provisions were recorded based on the business combination with Via Varejo in amount of \$66,870, related to the offsetting of tax debits and credits on the export of coffee.
- e. Other provisions: Relate to (i) Proceedings on the purchase, industrialization and export of soy and soy derivatives (PIS, CONFIS and IRPJ); (ii) Questioning of the non-application of the Fator Acidentário de Prevenção (FAP) for 2011; (iii) Questioning regarding the Fundo de Combate à Pobreza, established by the State of Rio de Janeiro; (iv) Questionings related with acquisitions from suppliers deemed disqualified under the register of the Secretaria da Fazenda Estadual, wrong application of the aliquot and ancillary obligations by estate tax authorities; and (v) Other less relevant matters.
- (3) The restructuring provision relates to the restructure processes announced to parent's employees in amount of \$8,295 (2014 \$14,500) and to the employees of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD in amount of \$4,777 that will affect Group activities. The value of the provision is estimated based on the cash outflows required directly associated with the restructuring plan. The disbursement and plan implementation date are expected to be in 2016. The restructuring provision was recognized in the statement of income as other expenses.
- (4) Other provisions relate to costs estimated from business combinations in amount of \$5,827; donation of the profits arising from the film "Colombia Magia Salvaje" assigned to Fundación Éxito, once authorized by the General Meeting of Shareholders in amount of \$3,907; income tax provision in amount of \$2,203 (2014 \$1,003, January 2014 \$1,003), and other provisions in amount of \$4,089 (2014 \$5,334, January 2014 \$145).

The Group has not recorded provisions for the protection of contracts for consideration during the reporting periods.

## Note 20.1 Other provisions classified as current and non-current

The balance of other provisions, classified as current and non-current is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Current			
Legal proceedings	21,210	20,550	24,357
Taxes other than income tax	15,212	9,409	9,163
Restructuring	13,072	14,500	-
Other	13,425	6,337	1,148
Total other current provisions	62,919	50,796	34,668
Non-current			
Legal proceedings	710,510	13,214	-
Taxes other than income tax	411,571	-	-
Other	2,601	-	-
Total other non-current provisions	1,124,682	13,214	
Total other provisions	1,187,601	64,010	34,668

### Note 20.2 Forecasted payment of other provisions

Forecasted payments of other provisions for which the Group is responsible at December 31, 2015 will be:

	Legal proceedings	Taxes other than income tax	Restructuring	Other	Total
Less than 12 months	21,210	15,212	13,072	13,425	62,919
From 1 to 5 years	710,510	164,787	-	2,601	877,898
5 years and more	-	246,784	-	-	246,784
Total estimated payments	731,720	426,783	13,072	16,026	1,187,601

Note 21. Trade payables and other accounts payable

The balance of trade payables and other accounts payable is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Current			
Foreign suppliers (1)	13,394,444	244,311	138,015
Domestic suppliers (1)	2,165,033	1,907,488	1,510,091
Short-term employee benefits	972,916	110,951	91,936
Costs and expenses payable	828,523	347,742	251,237
Dividends payable (2)	34,317	32,194	40,333
Other accounts payable (3)	941,508	3,729	3,440
Total current accounts payable	18,336,741	2,646,415	2,035,052
Non-current			
Costs and expenses payable	3,184	-	-
Other accounts payable (3)	31,005	572	487
Total non-current accounts payable	34,189	572	487
Total accounts payable	18,370,930	2,646,987	2,035,539

- (1) Group trade agreements include bonuses and discounts obtained from suppliers. Such values are defined under contract and include amounts related with purchase volume discounts, joint marketing programs, freight reimbursement and similar programs. These programs are put into practice via a decrease of bills payable to suppliers.
- (2) The Parent's Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 17, 2015, declared a dividend of 145.23 per share, payable in four quarterly installments and enforceable between the sixth and tenth working day of April, July and October 2015, and January 2016.

Dividends paid in Colombia at December 31, 2015 amount to \$254,297 equivalent to \$568.44 per share; at December 31, 2014, they were \$237,558 equivalent to \$531 per share.

The Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of subsidiary Grupo Disco Uruguay held on June 8, 2015 declared a dividend of \$34.79 per share, paid in advance in November 2014 and June 2015. In addition, the Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders held on October 26, 2015 authorized an early dividend of \$14.22 per share, to be paid in 2016.

On October 29, 2015, the Board of Directors of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD authorized an early dividend of \$114.66 per share, paid on November 11.

In 2015, the stand-alone trust funds distributed profits in amount of \$30,659.



(3) The increase in other payables in Colombian companies arises from liabilities under the money order business in amount of \$24,956 in addition to the increase in the assets held on security in amount of \$5,481 and miscellaneous in amount of \$41.

#### Note 22. Current taxes, income tax and deferred tax.

Tax regulations in force applicable to the parent and Colombian subsidiaries set forth that:

- a. As of 2013, the income tax rate is 25% and the income tax for equality CREE rate is 9%; additionally, from 2015 onwards, there is a surtax on the income tax for equality CREE of between 5% and 9% (for 2015 the rate is 5%).
- b. The taxable base to assess the income tax and the income tax for equality CREE cannot be less than 3% of the net equity held on the last day of the preceding taxable period.
- c. The annual adjustment applicable for 2015 to movable assets and real estate that are fixed assets is 5.21% (2014 2.89%).
- d. Comprehensive inflation adjustments were eliminated for tax purposes from 2007 onwards, and the tax on occasional gains was reinstated at a current rate of 10%, payable by legal entities on total occasional gains obtained during the taxable year.
- e.As of 2007 and until taxable 2009, deduction of effective investments made in productive fixed assets is 40%, and application thereof does not give rise to taxable profits for partners or shareholders.

Taxpayers who acquire productive fixed assets capable of being depreciated as of January 1, 2007 and use such deduction, are only allowed to depreciate such assets under the straight-line method and will not be entitled to the audit benefit, even if they meet the requirements to claim such benefit pursuant to tax regulations. Prior to January 1, 2007, the same deduction applied to investments in productive fixed assets without the obligation of depreciating such assets using the straight-line method. Wherever the assets on which the above-mentioned deduction benefit was applied cease to be used in an income-producing activity, or wherever they are sold, the proportion of such deduction equivalent to the remaining useful life at the time of abandonment or sale becomes taxable revenue at applicable rates.

Law 1370 of 2009 reduced from 40% to 30% the deduction rate arising from effective investments in productive fixed assets for 2010; law 1430 of December 29, 2010 eliminated the special deduction from investment in productive fixed asset as of taxable 2011. However, the possibility of stabilizing such regulation for a maximum term of three years is authorized to investors who prior to November 1, 2010 filed a request to be part to a legal stability agreement.

## Legal stability

Up to 2017, the parent may request in its income tax return 40% of said investments, given that section 158-3 of the Tax Code is an integral part of the Legal Stability Contract EJ-03, under Law 963 of July 2005, entered into with the Colombian government for ten years as of August 2007.

## Tax credits

At December 31, 2015, neither the parent nor its subsidiary Didetexco have tax losses or excess presumptive income pending offsetting; subsidiaries Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S., Viajes y Turismo S.A.S., Logística y Transporte S.A.S. and Gemex S.A.S. have accrued tax losses in amount of \$21,554 pending to be offset against the income tax and the income tax for equality CREE, and excess presumptive income in amount of \$50 pending offsetting against the income tax.

Pursuant to tax regulations in force, as of taxable 2007 companies may offset tax losses adjusted for tax purposes against ordinary net income without prejudice to the presumptive income for the period, with no limitation as to amount and at any time. Excess presumptive income over ordinary income obtained as of 2007 may be offset against ordinary net income assessed within the following five (5) years adjusted for tax purposes. Company losses are not transferrable to shareholders. In no event tax losses, arising from revenue other than income and occasional gains, and from costs and deductions not directly related with the generation of taxable income, will be offset against the taxpayer's net income.

In application of sections 188 and 189 of the Tax Code for taxable 2014, the parent and its subsidiary Didetexco assessed their income tax liability and their income tax for equality CREE liability under the ordinary income method; subsidiaries thereof assessed both liabilities using the presumptive income method.

The parent's income tax return for 2011 (offsetting of 2008 tax loss) is open for review during 5 years as of the filing date; income tax returns for taxable 2013 and 2014 are open for review during two years. Subsidiary Didetexco's income tax returns from 2008 (with tax loss) to 2014 (offset of 2008 tax loss) are open for review during 5 years as of filing date. Income tax for equality CREE returns for taxable 2013 of the parent and its subsidiaries are open for review during two years. Income tax returns for 2013 and 2014 of all other subsidiaries are open for review during 5 years as of filing dates, since they show tax losses. Tax advisors and management of the parent and its subsidiaries are of the opinion that no additional taxes will be assessed, other than those for which a provision has been recorded at December 31, 2015.

## **Transfer Pricing**

Company transactions with the parent, subsidiaries and/or foreign related parties have been carried out in accordance with the arm's length principle, as required by Transfer Pricing provisions set forth by domestic tax regulations. Independent advisors are updating the transfer pricing survey as required by tax regulations, aimed at demonstrating that transactions with foreign related parties were carried out at market values during 2015. For this purpose, the parent will file an information statement and will make the mentioned survey available by mid-June 2016.

#### Tax reform Law 1739 of December 24, 2014

On December 24, 2014 the Congress of the Republic enacted Law 1739 Tax Reform, which mainly introduced a surcharge on the income tax for equality CREE and created the tax on wealth and the annual report on assets held abroad, in force as of 2015, as follows:

#### 1. Tax on wealth

A tax on wealth was introduced, applicable to individuals and legal entities with a net equity higher than \$1 billion pesos at January 1, 2015.

Such tax will be assessed on legal entities over three (3) years, with variable rates for each year as of 2015 ranging between 0.20%, 0.35%, 0.75% and 1.15%. For 2016 the rates decrease to 0.15%, 0.25%, 0.50% and 1.00% and finally for 2017 the rates will range between 0.05%, 0.10%, 0.20% and 0.40%.

It is important to bear in mind that this tax cannot be deducted from the income tax or from the income tax for equality CREE, and cannot be offset against other taxes.

## 2. Income tax for equality - CREE

Regarding the income tax for equality CREE, the tax reform sets forth a steady rate of 9% for 2015 and subsequent years.

The tax reform also allows offsetting tax losses and the excess over the minimum base (arising from CREE) as of 2015.

## 3. Surcharge on the income tax for equality - CREE

The tax reform introduced a surcharge on the income tax for equality CREE, which taxable base is the same as that for the CREE, for the periods 2015 to 2018, assessed on taxable income higher than \$800 million pesos at a rate of 5.0%& for 2015, 6.0% for 2016, 8.0% for 2017 and 9.0% for 2018. An advance must be paid on such surcharge, in two annual instalments.

### 4. Tax on financial transactions - GMF

The tax reform introduces a progressive reduction in the tax on financial transactions as of 2019 to 3 x 1,000, and one point per year thereafter until it is finally eliminated in 2022.

## 5. Annual report on assets held abroad

The tax reform introduced the obligation to file a new annual report on assets held abroad.



"As of taxable 2015, taxpayers of income tax, subject to this tax with respect of their domestic and foreign source income and their equity held within and outside the country, who own assets of any kind abroad, shall submit an annual report of assets held abroad".

Tax regulations in force applicable to foreign subsidiaries foresee the following income tax rates:

- Uruguay 25%
- Brazil 25% applicable to the controlling entity
- Brazil 34% applicable to subsidiaries
- Argentina 35%

## Note 22.1 Current taxes and income tax

Advances, balances receivable and taxes, levies and contributions payable for each of the reporting periods included:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Current tax assets			
Income tax advance payment	44,775	11,928	9,405
Income tax for equality CREE advance payments	19,727	-	15
Excess income tax from private assessment	124,428	58,396	88,447
Excess income tax for equality CREE from private assessment	-	7,848	-
Industry and trade tax advance payment and withholdings.	10,640	9,955	9,639
Import-related sales tax receivable	(1,462)	753	184
Tax on equity advance payment (foreign subsidiaries)	16,836	4,992	3,993
Other taxes receivable	17	5	6
Current tax assets of foreign subsidiaries	885,362	-	-
Total current tax assets	1,100,323	93,877	111,689
Non-current tax assets			
Non-current tax assets of foreign subsidiaries	1,941,626	-	-
Total non-current tax assets	1,941,626	-	-
Total tax-related assets	3,041,949	93,877	111,689
Current tax liabilities			
Income tax, CREE and VAT withholdings payable	(47,570)	(26,914)	(19,520)
Industry and trade tax withholdings payable	(2,094)	(1,628)	(1,526)
Income tax for equality CREE payable	(64,254)	(11,046)	(32,704)
Sales tax payable	(39,670)	(21,855)	(48,948)
Industry and trade tax and property tax payable	(43,523)	(37,912)	(34,774)
Excise tax payable	(2.710)	(2.570)	(2 520)
Other taxes payable	(3,719) (221)	(3,570) (139)	(3,530) (84)
Tax on equity payable	_	(4,759)	(46,869)
Current tax liabilities of foreign subsidiaries	697,978)	-	-
Total current tax liabilities	(899,029)	(107,823)	(187,955)
Non-current tax liabilities			
Non-current tax liabilities of foreign subsidiaries	455,355)	-	-
Total non-current tax liabilities	(455,355)	-	
Total tax-related liabilities	(1,354,384)	(107,823)	(187,955)
Total net current assets (liabilities)	1,687,565	(13,946)	(76,266)

The most significant components of the income tax expense for the periods ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 are:

	2015	2014
Tax on current income		
Current income tax expense	253,809	103,931
Adjustment on current income tax from the preceding period	(1,625)	2,381
Total tax on current income	252,184	106,312
Deferred income tax		
Relevant to the source and reversal of temporary differences	147,590	81,712
Relevant to changes in tax rates or enactment of new taxes	(1,346)	(7,185)
Relevant to tax losses, tax credits or temporary differences, not recognized in previous periods $ \\$	-	(1,089)
Total deferred income tax	146,244	73,438
Income tax from continuing operations	398,428	179,750

The reconciliation of taxable income to accounting income multiplied by the tax rate for the periods ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 is as follows:

	2015	2014
Earnings before income tax	970,929	691,783
Add:		
Industry and trade tax and property tax provision	14,046	3,313
Receivables written-off	19,565	1,610
Non-deductible expenses	2,619	5,219
Non-deductible taxes	95	78
Taxes taken on and revaluation	13,227	9,179
Fines, penalties and litigation expenses	3,273	2,519
Recovery of depreciation of fixed assets sold	-	6,575
Tax on financial transactions	7,272	7,252
Reimbursement of deduction from investment in productive fixed assets	163	6,217
IFRS adjustments with no tax effects	268	-
Tax on equity	57,772	-
Selling price of fixed assets held less than two years	16,482	-
Tax losses for the year	5,505	10,304
Excess presumptive income for the year	36	-
Less:		
Taxable deduction of goodwill, other than accounting deduction	(217,173)	(174,179)
40% deduction of investment in income-generating assets	(125,962)	(59,768)
Withdrawal of gain on sale of fixed assets deemed occasional gain	(92,868)	(7,954)
Cost of fixed assets held less than two years	(14,475)	-
IFRS adjustments with no tax effects	(247,253)	(138,325)
Net unrealized derivative income	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(5,725)
Recovery of provisions	(8,446)	(47)
Disabled employee deduction	(556)	(603)
Revenue not deemed income or occasional gain	-	(36)
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(5,916)	(6,195)
Subsidiary effect	(167,617)	(22,193)
Amortization of excess presumptive income	-	(42,529)
Amortization of taxable losses	(2,979)	(5,387)
Net taxable income	228,007	281,108
Income tax rate	25%	25%
Subtotal income tax	57,002	70,277
Occasional gains tax	6,602	668
Tax discounts	(26,387)	(7,562)
Income tax for equality CREE	32,775	35,118
Surcharge income tax for equality CREE	18,126	,
Recovery of current tax prior year	(1,625)	2,381
Total current income tax in Colombia	86,493	100,882
Current tax of subsidiary Spice Investments Mercosur	36,443	5,430
Consolidated current tax Onper abroad	129,248	-,
Total current income tax foreign subsidiaries	165,691	5,430
Total current income tax	252,184	106,312

The reconciliation of the average effective tax rate to the applicable tax rate is as follows:

	2015	Interest rate	2014	Interest rate
Accounting profit	970,929		691,783	
Total tax expense at applicable tax rate	378,662	39.00%	235,207	34.00%
Tax effect of non-deductible expenses to determine taxable income	51,926	5.35%	14,349	2.07%
Effect of tax losses	1,000	0.10%	2,157	0.31%
Effect of tax rates levied abroad	139,305	14.35%	(2,132)	-0.31%
Other tax effects from the reconciliation of accounting profit to tax expense	(172,465)	-17.76%	(69,831)	-10.09%
Total tax expense / tax rate	398,428	41.04%	179,750	25.98%

### Note 22.2 Deferred income tax

The Group recognizes a deferred tax receivable or payable arising from the effect of temporary differences that result in payment of a lower or higher value of the income tax in the current year, assessed at the rates in force which are expected to recover, provided there is reasonable expectation that such differences will revert in future; should a deferred tax asset arise, the Group will analyze whether enough taxable income is expected to be generated in future to offset the asset, in full or in part.

Non-current deferred income tax includes:

### In the consolidated statements of financial position

	2015	2014	January 2014
Investments at amortized cost	(76)	(62)	(10)
Equity investments	(50,068)	4,618	(18,407)
Accounts receivable	324,700	8,512	14,544
Inventories	41,318	38,725	29,625
Land	(38,704)	(43,455)	(43,361)
Tax consolidation and readjustment	19,926	23,410	24,252
Buildings	(129,036)	(99,939)	(89,560)
Non-operating premises	40	123	123
Investment property	(8,261)	(8,051)	(9,446)
Construction in progress	(16,940)	(11,835)	(2,847)
Other fixed assets	(21,415)	(17,707)	(1,236)
Intangible assets	(542,249)	(30,747)	56,779
Deferred charges	12,885	15,691	15,196
Other assets	8,817	28,719	30,677
Financial liabilities	2,664	14,344	1,649
Other liabilities	(285,195)	51,515	37,098
Total net deferred tax assets (liabilities)	(681,594)	(26,139)	45,076

The presentation of net income tax (liability) asset in the statement of financial position reflects:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Deferred tax assets	524,828	28,719	53,151
Deferred tax liabilities	(1,206,422)	(54,858)	(8,075)
Total net deferred tax assets (liabilities)	(681,594)	(26,139)	45,076



### In the consolidated statement of income

	2015	2014
Deferred income tax 25%	99,863	89,102
Deferred CREE tax 9%	44,853	8,611
Deferred CREE surcharge 5%	(5,288)	-
Deferred occasional gains tax 10%	3,736	(24,275)
Deferred retained earnings tax Uruguay 7%	4,128	-
Deferred income tax from business combinations	(1,048)	-
Total (net) deferred tax effect	146,244	73,438

## In the consolidated statement of other comprehensive income

	2015	2014
Deferred income tax		
Gain (loss) from actuarial gains and losses from defined benefit plans	377	(70)
Deferred income tax expense charged to other comprehensive income (see note 26.1)	377	(70)

The Group does not recognize in its financial statements deferred tax assets generated by its subsidiaries, or other minor investments resulted in losses during the current or prior periods. The amount thereof is:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Subsidiaries domiciled in Colombia	(78,238)	(79,255)	(79,255)
Subsidiaries domiciled abroad	(4,816)	(817)	(44)
Other	(7)	(7)	(404)
Total	(83,061)	(80,079)	(79,703)

Parent's temporary differences related to investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures, for which no deferred tax liabilities have been recognized amounted to \$39,228 at December 31, 2015 (2014 \$119,707 and at January 1, 2014 \$27,338).

## Note 22.3 Effects of the income tax on the distribution of dividends.

Pursuant to Colombian tax regulations in force, neither the distribution of dividends nor retained earnings have an effect on the income tax rate or on the CREE tax rate.

## Note 23. Other financial liabilities

The balance of other financial liabilities is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Bonds issued (1)	744,330	152,441	152,108
Derivative financial instruments (2)	2,351	5,644	-
Total	746,681	158,085	152,108
Current	32,602	158,085	14,409
Non-current	714,079	-	137,699

(1) Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD uses the issuance of bonds to strengthen working capital, maintain its cash strategy, extend its debt profile and make investments. Bonds issued are not convertible, have no renegotiation clauses and are unsecured, exception made of the issue of bonds by subsidiaries, which are endorsed by the Company. Amortization of bonds varies according to issue thereof.

For 2014, the balance includes Carulla Vivero bonds issued in 2005 in amount of \$150,000, repaid on May 5, 2015.

The most significant of Group's contingent assets at December 31, 2015 represented: real estate revaluation assessment proceedings \$1,163 (2014 \$1,163); 2005 Industry and Trade tax proceedings in amount of \$1,010 (2014 \$1,010); and proceedings seeking nullity of the resolutions that declared as inapplicable the offsetting of the parent's 2008 income tax at Carulla Vivero S.A. \$1,088 (2014 \$0).

On May 5, 2015, the parent repaid Carulla Vivero Bonds issue 2005 at a nominal value of COP \$150,000 plus interests thereon.

(2) Financial instruments reflect the fair value of forward agreements designated to cover the fluctuation in the exchange rates of investments and liabilities. The fair values of these investments are estimated based on valuation models commonly applied by market participants using variables other than prices quoted, directly or indirectly perceptible for assets or liabilities. In the balance of financial position, the Group measures the derivative financial instruments (forward) at fair value, on each accounting closing date.

## Note 24. Other non-financial liabilities

The balance of other non-financial liabilities is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Current			
Collections received on behalf of third parties (1)	362,413	36,883	42,318
Revenues received in advance (2)	170,185	1,742	724
Customer loyalty programs (3)	90,639	37,784	25,814
Bradesco Agreement (4)	81,996	-	-
Advance payments lease agreements and other projects (5)	58,739	1,191	4,254
Customer advance payments	31,786	-	-
Instalments received "plan resérvalo"	1,381	1,727	1,857
Multi-check bonus	475	-	-
Other	52,152	34	111
Total other current non-financial liabilities	849,766	79,361	75,078
Non-current			
Revenues received in advance (2)	542,420	51,588	53,688
Bradesco Agreement (4)	475,256	-	-
Other	19,106	-	-
Total other non-current non-financial liabilities	1,036,782	51,588	53,688
Total other non-financial liabilities	1,886,548	130,949	128,766

- (1) Mainly relate to collections for third parties arising from cell phone recharges and public utilities.
- (2) The Group recorded deferred income from miscellaneous transactions from which it receives cash when the conditions for the recognition of revenue have not been met yet, such as cash received at the beginning in the issue of lease agreements on the Group's investment properties.

On August 29, 2014, subsidiary Via Varejo and its supplier Zurich entered into an agreement on the sale of extended warranties at Casas Bahia and Ponto Frio stores. The term of such agreement is 8 years. Contract conditions were met on October 1, 2014 and the Company received an advance on commissions in amount of \$676,663, which has been amortized as extended warranties are sold.

In September 2014 the former supplier of extended warranty services was informed of the early termination of the contract, and the Company agreed on paying the amount of \$464,908 arising from: i) repurchase of the right granted to the former supplier to exploit its customer database during the term of the contract, which was initially recognized as part of the Company's intangible assets \$148,866, and ii) the reimbursement of advances \$316,042.



(3) Represents the customer loyalty programs called "Puntos Éxito", "Supercliente CARULLA", the "Hipermillas" program of Supermercados Devoto, "Tarjeta Más" of Supermercados Disco de Uruguay S.A. and point programs of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD in Brazil and Club Libertad in Argentina, which balances and respective effect on income are as follows:

In the statement of financial position

	2015	2014	January 2014
Puntos Éxito and Carulla program	35,617	31,039	19,399
Hipermillas and Tarjeta Mas program	29,354	6,745	6,415
Extra and Pao Açucar points program	23,882	-	-
Club Libertad	1,786	-	-
Total	90,639	37,784	25,814

#### In the statement of income

	2015	2014
Puntos Éxito and Carulla program	4,577	10,675
Hipermillas and Tarjeta Mas program	19,142	(89)
Extra and Pao Açucar points program	5,211	-
Club Libertad	1,662	-
Total	30,592	10,586

(4) On December 4, 2015 Via Varejo entered into a financial service agreement with Banco Bradesco SA and Bradescard Bank SA (jointly, "Bradesco"), to be in force until August 28, 2029. The agreement includes clauses and amendments to the agreement entered into between Casa Bahia Comercial Ltda. and Bradesco on November 10, 2006.

Part of the agreement are the provision of credit cards and financial services related to the banner "Casas Bahia" and the provision of direct credit services to customers. The anticipated amount was \$560,436 and is made of: i) advance commissions in amount of \$437,841, which will be taken to income in as much as the purpose of the agreement is met and shall be paid back in 9 years as of the date of the agreement, and ii) additional payments in amount of \$122,595, which will be recognized in income on a straight-line basis until maturity.

(5) At December 31 include advances on lease agreements in amount of \$5,234 (December 31, 2014 \$964, January 1, 2014 \$3,423) and other advances in amount of \$1,760 (December 31, 2014 \$227 and January 1, 2014 \$657); and \$51,745 represent advances on the acquisition of real estate by Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD.

## Note 25. Share capital, repurchased shares and premium on the issue of shares

The parent's authorized capital is represented in 530,000,000 ordinary shares with par value of \$10(\*) each; subscribed and paid-in capital amounts to \$4,482 at December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014. The number of outstanding shares is 447,604,316 and the number of repurchased shares is 635,835 with value of \$2,735 on the same reporting dates.

The rights attached to the shares are speaking and voting rights per each share. No privileges have been granted on the shares, nor are they restricted in any way. Additionally, there are no option contracts on the parent's shares.

The premium on placement of shares represents the higher value paid over the par value of the shares, and amounts to \$4,843,466 at December 31, 2015, December 31, 2014 and January 1, 2014. Pursuant to legal regulations, this balance may be distributed as profits upon winding-up of the company, or upon capitalization of this value. Capitalization means the transferring of a portion of such premium to a capital account, as result of the issue of a share-based dividend.

(\*) Expressed in Colombian pesos

## Note 26. Other reserves

Other reserves are appropriations of prior period results by the General Meeting of Shareholders. Other reserves include the components of other comprehensive income.

# Note 26.1 Other accumulated comprehensive income

The balance of each component of other comprehensive income in the statement of financial position is as follows:



	2015 2014			2014			January 2014		
	Gross	Tax effect	Net	Gross	Tax effect	Net	Gross	Tax effect	Net
Measurement of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (1)	(2,976)	-	(2,976)	(5,653)	-	(5,653)	(2,976)	-	(2,976)
Measurement of defined benefit plans (2)	2,081	(377)	1,704	(205)	70	(135)			-
Translation exchange differences (3)	(928,493)		(928,493)	42,824		42,824	-	-	-
Gain (loss) from hedging of net investments in foreign businesses, net of taxes (4)	902	-	902	-	-	-	-	-	-
Share of other comprehensive income of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method (5)	(3,972)	-	(3,972)	27,498	-	27,498	-	-	-
Total other accumulated comprehensive income	(932,458)	(377)	(932,835)	64,464	70	64,534	(2,976)		(2,976)

- (1) Represents the accumulated value of gains or losses from the appraisal at fair value through income of investments in financial instruments less the values transferred to retained earnings upon sale of such investments, which during the period amount to \$558 (2014 \$-2,677) representing the effect of the reclassification of Cnova from financial instrument to a subsidiary, arising from the business combination with Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD. Changes in fair value are not reclassified to income for the period.
- (2) Represents the accumulated value of actuarial gains or losses arising from the Company's and its subsidiaries' defined benefit plans under the equity method. The net value of the new measurements is transferred to retained earnings and is not reclassified to income for the period.
- (3) Represents the accumulated value of exchange differences arising from the translation to the Company's presentation currency of assets, liabilities, equity and results of operations abroad under the equity method. Accumulated translation differences are reclassified to period results upon disposition of the operation abroad.
- (4) Represents the accumulated value of gains or losses from instruments designated in a net investment hedge in a foreign business of subsidiaries under the equity method. The accumulated value of the gains or losses is reclassified to period results upon disposition of the operation abroad.
- (5) Value allocated to the Company of the other comprehensive income from its investments in associates and joint ventures through direct investment or through subsidiaries.

### Note 27. Retained earnings

Represents the value of results from prior periods for retained earnings available to the General Meeting of Shareholders, and includes the effects of share-based payments.

### Note 27.1 Share-based payments

### Preferred shares purchase option plan:

On May 9, 2014, the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD approved:

- a. To suspend the Share Purchase Option Plan ("Old Option Plan") approved at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on December 20, 2006, for new options awarded, without prejudice to options already awarded, which will continue valid under the same conditions;
- b. To create a share purchase option plan and relevant share subscription agreement ("Option Plan"); and
- c. To create a share purchase option compensation plan and relevant subscription agreement ("Compensation Plan").

Below is a description of the share purchase option plans in force at December 31, 2015:

## Old Option Plan - Plano de opção Antigo:

Is managed by a committee appointed by the Board of Directors of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD, called Share Option Plan Administration Committee ("Stock Option Committee"). Regularly this committee identifies the employees who will be awarded share purchase options, based on their position, responsibilities and performance under applicable conditions.

The Stock Option Committee conducts annual option awarding cycles. Each awarding cycle is give a series number that begins with a letter. At December 31, 2015, options awarded of series A6 and A7 of the Old Option Plan were valid. Options awarded under the Old Option Plan are classified either as "Gold" or as "Silver", and the difference is the price to exercise the options.

For options classified as "Silver", the exercise price per preferred share is the average price at the closing of trading of preferred shares issued by Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD during the last 20 sessions of the Stock, Goods and Futures Exchange - BM & F BOVESPA S.A. prior to the date on which the Stock Option Committee approved awarding the option. A 20% discount is applied on such estimated average price. For options classified as "Gold", the exercise price per preferred share is equivalent to R\$0.01 (one cent of a Brazilian real). Prices are not updated in either case.



In 2003, the Stock Option Committee approved new criteria to estimate the reduction and/or increase rate for the number of "Gold" options awarded, for each series of the Old Option Plan, according to a performance analysis of the ROIC (return on invested capital) index. The Committee decided that as of series A6, the reduction or increase in "Gold" options is based on the ROCE return on used capital of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD.

There is no limit for the reduction or increase in the number of options awarded pursuant to the new criteria approved. Vesting rights are calculated using the average ROIC/ROCE for the last 3 years, as compared with the ROIC/ROCE defined in awarding each series.

As a rule, the right to exercise an option begins in month 36 and ends in month 48, as of the date of execution of the respective pre-formulated standard contract, where beneficiary is entitled to purchase 100% of shares whose option was classified as "Silver". Options classified as "Gold" shall be exercised during the same period, but the Stock Option Committee shall determine the exercise percentage for such options during month 35 as of the date of execution of the respective pre-formulated standard contract.

Options awarded under the Old Option Plan may be exercised in full or in part. "Gold" options are in addition to "Silver" options; consequently, "Gold" options may only be exercised jointly with "Silver" options.

The price of exercise of options awarded under the Old Option Plan shall be paid in full by the beneficiary in Brazilian reals in a lump sum 30 days as of the date of subscription of the relevant shares.

## Compensation Plan - Plano de Remuneração:

Is managed by the Board of Directors of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD, through the Human Resources and Compensation Committee ("Committee").

The members of the Committee meet to award the options of the series of the "Compensation Plan", and to make decisions on matters related to such plan. Each series under this plan shall be given a letter "B" followed by a number. Options awarded under series B1 and B2 were valid at December 2015.

Options awarded to a participant shall not be exercised during 36 months as of awarding date ("grace period"), and shall only be exercised on the first day of month 37 and on the last day of month 42, as of awarding date ("Exercise Period"), save exceptions included in the Compensation Plan.

A participant may exercise his options in full or in part, at once or several times, if during the exercise period the term of exercise of the option is provided for each option exercised.

The price of exercise of each share purchase option awarded pursuant to the Compensation Plan is R\$0.01 (one cent of a Brazilian real) ("Exercise Price").

The exercise price of the options shall be fully paid in Brazilian reals by check or bank transfer to the bank account of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD, taking into consideration that the final date of payment shall always be the tenth (10) day prior to the share acquisition date.

A participant shall not, over a period of 180 (one hundred and eighty) days as of the share acquisition date, directly or indirectly, sell, assign, exchange, dispose of, transfer, contribute to the capital of another company, grant an option or enter into any act or agreement resulting in or that may result in the disposition, direct or indirect, for consideration or else, of all or some of the shares acquired through the exercise of the purchase option, under the Compensation Plan.

Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD shall apply tax withholdings as required by Brazilian tax law, by deducting the amount equivalent to taxes withheld from the number of shares delivered to a participant.

### Option Plan - Plano de Opção:

Is managed by the Board of Directors of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD, through the Human Resources and Compensation Committee ("Committee").

The members of the Committee meet to award the options of the series of the "Compensation Plan", and to make decisions on matters related to such plan. Each series under this plan shall be given a letter "C" followed by a number. Options awarded under series C1 and C2 were valid at December 2015.

For each series of share options, the exercise price of each option is 80% of the average of trading of preferred shares issued by Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD during the last 20 sessions of the Stock, Goods and Futures Exchange - BM & F BOVESPA S.A. prior to the calling date for the meeting of the Committee held to decide of the awarding of options under such series ("Exercise Price").

Options awarded to a participant shall not be exercised during 36 months as of awarding date ("grace period"), and shall only be exercised on the first day of month 37 and on the last day of month 42, as of awarding date ("Exercise Period"), save exceptions included in the Option Plan.

A participant may exercise his options in full or in part, at once or several times, if during the exercise period the term of exercise of the option is provided for each option executed.

The exercise price of the options shall be fully paid in Brazilian reals by check or bank transfer to the bank account of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD, taking into consideration that the final date of payment shall always be the tenth (10) day prior to the share acquisition date.

Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD shall apply tax withholdings as required by Brazilian tax law, by deducting the amount equivalent to taxes withheld from the number of shares delivered to a participant.

The information relevant to the Old Option Plan, the Compensation Plan and the Option Plan at December 31, 2015 is summarized as follows:

				Price in Braz (2)	ilian reals	(	Options batc	h (in thousar	nds)
Series awarded (1)	Awarding date	First exercise date	Second exercise and expiry date	On awarding date	At period closing	Number of options awarded	Number of options exercised	Number of options cancelled	Number of outstanding options
Series A6 - Gold	15/03/2012	31/03/2015	31/03/2016	0.01	0.01	526	(490)	(36)	-
Series A6 - Silver	15/03/2012	31/03/2015	31/03/2016	64.13	64.13	526	(488)	(36)	2
Series A7 - Gold	15/03/2013	31/03/2016	31/03/2017	0.01	0.01	358	(172)	(35)	151
Series A7 - Silver	15/03/2013	31/03/2016	31/03/2017	80.00	80.00	358	(172)	(35)	151
Series B1	30/05/2014	30/05/2017	30/11/2017	0.01	0.01	239	(16)	(54)	169
Series C1	30/05/2014	30/05/2017	30/11/2017	83.22	83.22	239	(11)	(64)	164
Series B2	29/05/2015	01/06/2018	30/11/2018	0.01	0.01	337	(5)	(16)	316
Series C2	29/05/2015	01/06/2018	30/11/2018	77.27	77.27	337	-	(23)	314
Total						2,920	(1,354)	(299)	1,267

<sup>(1)</sup> Refers to options awarded by Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD, as part of the Old Option Plan, Compensation Plan and Option Plan.

## Information regarding share purchase options under new series B2 and C2:

Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD defined two preferred share purchase option plans, approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders held on April 24, 2015. Pursuant to plan terms, each option confers upon a beneficiary the right to acquire preferred shares of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD. Both plans foresee a grace period of 36 months, as of the date on which the Board of Directors approved the issue of the respective series of options. The share options may be exercised during the term mentioned in the description of each plan. The condition to exercise an option is that the beneficiary continues being an employee of the Company during such term. The only difference between the plans is the exercise price of the options and whether or not there is a restriction period to dispose of the shares acquired in exercise of the option.

Share options awarded under each of the plans may represent a 0.7% of total shares of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD at the most. 674,000 share purchase options were awarded under these plans.



At December 31, 2015 there were 232,586 treasury preferred shares, which could be used as collateral for the options awarded under the plans; the quote of preferred shares on the Stock, Goods and Futures Exchange - BM & BOVESPA S.A. was \$33,308 (R\$41.86) per share.

The following chart shows the maximum dilution percentage of the interest of existing shareholders of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD during 2015 for all options awarded:

	2015 In thousands
Total number of shares	265,702
Balance of outstanding series awarded	1,267
Maximum dilution percentage	0.48%

The fair value of each option awarded is estimated on the awarding date using the Black & Scholes option valuation model, taking into consideration the following assumptions for B1 and C1 series:

- a. Dividend expectation 0.96%,
- b. Volatility expectation, approximately 22.09% and
- c. Risk-free weighted average interest rate of 11.70%.

The fair value of each option awarded is estimated on the awarding date using the Black & Scholes option valuation model, taking into consideration the following assumptions for B2 and C2 series:

- a. Dividend expectation 1.37%,
- b. Volatility expectation, approximately 24.34% and
- c. Risk-free weighted average interest rate of 12.72%.

The remaining weighted average term of the series valid at December 31, 2015 is 1.75 years. The weighted average fair value of options awarded at December 31, 2015 represented \$53,616 (R\$67.35).

Below is information on the number and weighted average exercise prices of share options, in share-based payment agreements:

At December 31, 2015	Number of options (thousands)	Weighted average of exercise price, in Brazilian reals	Weighted average of the remaining contract term
Number of outstanding share options at beginning of period (3)	1,292	39.56	-
Awarded	-	-	-
Void	(20)	41.84	_
Exercised	(5)	26.21	-
Number of outstanding share options at end of period	1,267	39.57	1.75
Total options to be exercised at December 31, 2015	1,267	39.57	1.75

<sup>(2)</sup> The values taken to the Group's consolidated income arising from purchase options plans on preferred shares of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD for the period ended December 31, 2015 amounted to \$2,388.

(3) Relates to August 31, 2015, effective date for accounting purposes of the business combination of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD.

## Note 28. Revenue from ordinary activities

The balance of revenues from ordinary activities generated during the period by each significant category is as follows:

	2015	2014
Net retail sales (1)	31,797,479	10,155,697
Other income (2)	1,604,732	329,125
Revenue from ordinary activities	33,402,211	10,484,822

(1) Includes sales of goods net of returns and sales discounts in amount of \$31,768,424 (2014 \$10,119,697) and revenue from the sale of real estate projects in Colombia in amount of \$29,055 (2014 \$36,000), per the following detail:

Property	City	2015	2014
Avenida Chile plot of land	Bogotá	18,000	-
Paseo Real property	Bogotá	8,266	-
Lote 1-2 Calle 77	Barranquilla	2,789	-
Vizcaya Shopping Mall	Medellín	-	36,000
Total		29,055	36,000

## (2) Includes the following items:

(3)

	2015	2014
Service revenue	1,082,936	197,865
Royalty revenue	91,858	97,964
Other revenue	429,938	33,296
Total other revenue	1,604,732	329,125

# Note 29. Cost of sales

The balance of the cost of goods sold and impairment loss is as follows:

	2015	2014
Cost of goods sold without impairment	25,078,179	7,855,400
Impairment loss recognized during the period	118,122	-
Reversal of impairment loss recognized during the period (1)	(48,525)	-
Total cost of goods sold	25,147,776	7,855,400

<sup>(1)</sup> The circumstances that gave rise to the reversal of impairment relate to the offsetting of effective depletion during the period and optimization of the goods storage space at the distribution center, limiting the exposure of goods at the branches' warehouses.



# Note 30. Expenses by nature and function

The balance of operating expenses is as follows:

2015	Distribution and sales expenses	Administration expenses	Total
Services	967,361	93,222	1,060,583
Rental expenses	554,325	4,632	558,957
Depreciation and amortization	363,038	152,868	515,906
Debit and credit card commissions	262,135	-	262,135
Maintenance and repairs	195,867	15,808	211,675
Taxes	181,822	62,678	244,500
Packaging materials and marking expenses	104,657	454	105,111
Legal expenses	73,313	4,958	78,271
Fees	31,929	84,273	116,202
Insurance	30,889	4,005	34,894
Administration of trade premises	28,154	12	28,166
Travel expenses	10,208	10,050	20,258
Contributions and affiliations	1,177	1,737	2,914
Other expenses	504,591	82,774	587,365
Total	3,309,466	517,471	3,826,937

2014	Distribution and sales expenses	Administration expenses	Total
Services	277,561	11,037	288,598
Depreciation and amortization of assets	179,044	18,284	197,328
Rental expenses	175,554	3,328	178,882
Taxes	111,194	54,676	165,870
Maintenance and repairs	74,763	3,813	78,576
Packaging materials and marking expenses	31,793	164	31,957
Debit and credit card commissions	30,884	-	30,884
Administration of trade premises	25,494	10	25,504
Insurance	15,112	15,698	30,810
Fees	5,513	22,969	28,482
Travel expenses	3,036	5,621	8,657
Legal expenses	2,733	2,840	5,573
Contributions and affiliations	1,060	854	1,914
Other expenses	75,916	59,535	135,451
Total	1,009,657	198,829	1,208,486

#### Note 31. Other operating revenue and expense and other gains, net

The line items of other operating revenue and expense include two types of elements: the effects of the most significant events occurred during the period that would distort the analysis of the Company's recurrent profitability, which are defined as significant elements of unusual revenue, which occurrence is exceptional, and the effects of the line items that due to its nature are not included in an assessment of the recurrent operating performance of the Company, such as impairment losses, disposal of non-current assets and the effects of business combinations.

	2015	2014
Gain from the sale of property, plant and equipment, investments and intangible assets (1)	54,869	1,192
Total other profits, net	54,869	1,192
Revenue from measurement of fair value previous interest in Grupo Disco Uruguay (2)	29,681	-
Other revenue (3)	15,155	13,985
Total other revenue	44,836	13,985
Transaction costs related to business combinations (4)	(72,266)	(7,831)
Tax on wealth expense (5)	(72,787)	(4,038)
Restructuring expense (6)	(103,328)	(15,248)
Other expenses	(2)	(30)
Total other expenses	(248,383)	(27,147)
Net total	(148,678)	(11,970)

- (1) The balance includes gains in amount of \$74,515 from the sale to Cafam of drugstores owned by the parent, some of which had been operated by Cafam since September 2010; \$3,124 from the sale of the Carulla Paseo Real building, and \$882 from the right to use in construction of the Villavicencio Stand-Alone Trust Fund, and \$65 from other minor sales; loss of property, plant and equipment in amount of \$12,349 arising from the Éxito Valledupar Las Flores accident; \$3,827 from the settlement of the Este Escrow; \$3,742 from contribution to the Barranquilla Stand-Alone Trust Fund, and other minor losses in amount of \$3,799.
- (2) Refers to the gain in amount of \$29,681 arising from the measurement at fair value of the 62.49% parent's interest held in Grupo Disco Uruguay prior to the business combination on January 1, 2015.
- (3) For 2015 includes revenue in amount of \$13,163 from the claim to Seguros Generales Suramericana S.A. -insurance company- as indemnification for the actual loss of property, plant and equipment resulting from the Éxito Valledupar Las Flores accident, and other minor revenue in amount of \$1,992. For 2014 refers to the recovery of provisions.
- (4) For 2015 refers to transaction costs related to the acquisition of the operations of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD in Brazil and Libertad S.A. in Argentina, through the Spanish company Onper Investments 2015 S.L. in amount of \$50,333; costs arising from the business combination of Bartira, a subsidiary of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD in amount of \$18,449, transaction costs related to the acquisitions of trade establishments of the Super Inter banner in amount of \$2,135 (2014 \$7,831) and transaction costs related to the acquisition of Cafam trade establishments in amount of \$1,349.
- (5) Refers to the tax on wealth introduced by the National Government by means of Law 1739 of December 23, 2014 for Colombian companies in amount of \$59,336 and for Uruguayan subsidiaries in amount of \$13,451. For 2014 refers the tax on equity of subsidiaries in Uruguaya.
- (6) Refers to expenses arising from the Group's restructuring plan.



### Note 32. Financial revenue and expense

The balance of financial revenue and expense is as follows:

	2015	2014
Revenue from interest, cash and cash equivalents	147,154	75,469
Revenue from interest, other securities	82,047	-
Gain from derivative financial instruments	433,189	10,782
Gain from exchange difference	522,209	102,965
Other financial revenue	39,472	22,116
Total financial revenue	1,224,071	211,332
Interest, borrowings and finance lease expenses (1)	(478,073)	(1,712)
Loss from derivative financial instruments	(39,010)	(3,932)
Loss from exchange difference	(662,730)	(105,426)
Commission expense	(291,423)	(2,187)
Interest expense, bonds	(5,596)	(14,825)
Other financial expenses	(151,476)	(26,888)
Total financial expenses	(1,628,308)	(154,970)
Total financial (expense) revenue, net	(404,237)	56,362

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes the effect of measurement at fair value of the Swap contracts to hedge interest rates and exchange rates of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD

## Note 33. Profits per share

Profits per share are basic and diluted; the purpose of basic profits is to give a measure of the participation of each ordinary share of the controlling entity in the Group's performance during the reporting periods. The purpose of diluted profits is to give a measure of the participation of each ordinary share in the performance of the Group taking into consideration the dilutive effect (decrease in profits or increase in losses) of outstanding potential ordinary shares during the period.

The Group has not carried out transactions with potential ordinary shares for the reported periods or between the closing date and the date of release of these financial statements. Below is information regarding profits and number of shares used in the calculation of basic and diluted profits per share:

### In period results

	2015	2014
Net profit attributable to continuing operations	573,495	499,430
Profit attributable to shareholders of the controlling entity	573,495	499,430
Weighted average of the number of common shares attributable to the basic profit per share (basic and diluted)	447,604,316	447,604,316

In total comprehensive period results

	2015	2014
Net profit attributable to total comprehensive income	122,029	565,892
Profit attributable to shareholders of the controlling entity	122,029	565,892
Weighted average of the number of common shares attributable to the basic profit per share (basic and diluted)	447,604,316	447,604,316
Basic and diluted profit per share (in pesos)	272.63	1,264.27

<sup>(\*)</sup> Amounts expressed in Colombian pesos

# Note 34. Transactions with related parties

## Note 34.1 Key management personnel compensation

Transactions between the Group and key management personnel, including legal representatives and/or administrators, mainly relate to labor agreements entered into between the parties.

Compensation paid to key management personnel during the periods ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 was:

	2015	2014
Short-term employee benefits (1)	60,957	33,201
Long-term employee benefits	-	162
Post-employment benefits	1,308	1,201
Termination benefits	25	247
Share-based payment plans	608	-
Total	62,898	34,811

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes compensation to key management personnel of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD and Libertad S.A. from September 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015.

## Note 34.2 Transactions with related parties

Transactions with related parties refer to revenues from the sale of goods and services, as well as to costs and expenses related to risk management and technical assistance support, and to the purchase of goods and services actually received. The amount of revenue, costs and expenses arising from transactions with related parties is as follows:

	Revenues		Costs and Expenses		
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Controlling entity (1)	106,961	-	54,660	9,703	
Associates (2)	3,645	29,208	15,787	-	
Joint ventures (3)	-	30,095	-	37,125	
Members of the Board	-	-	1,900	570	
Grupo Casino companies (4)	38,882	10,888	168,494	17,512	
Other related parties (5)	833	166	242,887	8,489	
Total	150,321	70,357	483,728	73,399	

<sup>(1)</sup> Revenues obtained from the controlling entity mainly refer to the sale of products to Distribution Casino France and reimbursement of expenses incurred by professionals and companies of the Casino Group to the benefit of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição under the cost sharing agreement.



Costs incurred with the controlling entity for other of the Group's companies mainly arise from the technical assistance agreement.

(2) Refer to transactions with FIC Promotora de Vendas Ltda. financing company of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD. Revenues are mainly obtained from the reimbursement of expenses arising from the infrastructure contract entered into with this entity, commissions on the sale of financial products and lease of property. Expenses mainly arise from financial expenses related to the discount of accounts receivable (called "cash discount"), and insurance.

For 2014, Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S. was classified as an investment in associate. From August 31, 2015 onwards, with the business combination of the Brazil and Argentina operations through subsidiary Onper Investment 2015 S.L., control of such investment was gained and the investment was classified as a subsidiary. In 2015, the revenues from the sale of goods to this Company are shown under the subsidiaries line item.

- (3) Revenues and costs generated refer to transactions covering the purchase and sale of goods with Grupo Disco del Uruguay, over which Grupo Éxito has effective control since January 1, 2015 by virtue of a Shareholders Agreement entered into with non-controlling interests on April 27, 2015.
- (4) Revenues mainly refer to transactions carried out between Cdiscount and other companies of the Casino Group related with technology services; sale of products to Distribution Casino France; expenses reimbursed by Banque Groupe Casino S.A., and supplier centralized negotiation with IRTS. Costs and expenses related to the Grupo Casino companies mainly refer to delivery services with C'est Chez Vous; procurement centralization services with EMC; logistics services with Easydis; power efficiency services with Green Yellow and computer-related services with Viaw Consultoría.
- (5) Costs and expenses with other related parties mainly refer to property lease agreements entered into between Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição and Casas Bahia Comercial Ltda. and transactions with companies where the shareholders are the beneficial owners of 10% or more of total outstanding shares, members of the Board, legal representatives and/or administrators having a direct or indirect interest equal to or higher than 10% of outstanding shares.

## Note 35. Impairment testing of assets

The parent conducted the annual impairment testing at December 31, 2015 by groups of cash-generating units. The book value of the groups of cash-generating units is made of the balances of goodwill, property, plant and equipment, investment properties, other intangible assets other than goodwill, net working capital and related financial lease liabilities; for Uruguay, Brazil and Argentina relates to the equity value of such subsidiaries plus the balances of goodwill. For the purposes of the impairment testing, the good will obtained via business combinations and trademarks with indefinite useful lives were allocated to the following groups of cash-generating units:

## Groups of cash-generating units

	Éxito	Carulla	Surtimax	Super Inter	Todohogar (1)	Uruguay	Brazil (2)	Argentina (2)	Total
Goodwill	90,674	856,495	41,575	464,333	1,017	1,499,222	3,096,735	472,157	6,522,208
Trademarks with defined useful life	-	-	17,427	63,704	3	111,369	1,688,474	-	1,880,977

- (1) Relates to the goodwill arising from the acquisition of Gemex O y W S.A.S.
- (2) The parent is in the process of allocating the purchase price of the operations acquired in Brazil and Argentina to determine the goodwill. Pursuant to IFRS 3, the provisional values reported from the business combination may be adjusted during the measurement period, namely one year. (See Note 5 Business combinations). Upon completion of the measurement period, the test of impairment shall be applied on an annual basis or wherever there are signs of impairment.

The method used was the value in use given the difficulty of finding an active market that enables establishing the fair value of such intangible assets.

The value in use was estimated based on the expected cash flows as forecasted by management over a five-year period, on the grounds of the price growth rate, trend analysis from historic results, expansion plans, strategic projects to increase sales and optimization plans.

Cash flows beyond the five-year period were inferred using a real growth rate ranging from 0% to 1%. According to the parent, this is a conservative approach that reflects the ordinary growth expected for the industry in absence of unexpected factors that might have an effect on growth.

The tax rate included in the forecast of cash flows is the rate that the Company is expected to pay as taxes during the next years (39% in 2015, 40% in 2016, 42% in 2017, 43% in 2018 and 34% as of 2019). For goodwill allocated to the Uruguay segment, the tax rate is 25%.

The expected cash flows were discounted at the weighted average cost of capital (WACC) using a market indebtedness structure for the type of industry where the company operates; as a result, the weighted average cost of capital (WACC) used to value the goodwill of Éxito, Carulla, Surtimax, Super Inter and Todohogar was 10.50% for 2015, 10.43% for 2016, 10.40% for 2017, and 10.70% for 2018 onwards. The variation in the discount rate for 2015 to 2019 is due to the various tax rates applicable to the parent for such years as mentioned above. The weighted average cost of capital (WACC) used in the valuation of the goodwill allocated to the Uruguay segment was 15.2%.

No impairment of the groups of cash-generating units was identified from this analysis.

A sensitivity analysis carried out on the variables with the greater effect on the determination of the value in use of the groups of cash-generating units, such as discount rate and perpetual growth rate, would have the following effect:

### Perpetual growth rate

In accordance with that mentioned above, the estimation of the growth rate is based on the price growth expectations for the country pursuant to published market surveys, reason why a reduction in the rate below the rate used in the valuation is not deemed reasonable, given that the units' cash flows are expected to grow to the same level or even 1% above the general price increase in the economy.

### Discount rate

The estimation of the discount rate is based on an analysis of the market indebtedness for the Company; a change is deemed reasonable if the discount rate would increase by 1.00%, in which event the impairment of goodwill allocated to the Uruguay segment would amount to \$169,528; no impairment in the value of the other groups of cash-generating units would arise.

#### Note 36. Leases

## Note 36.1 Finance leases when the Company acts as the lessee

The Group has entered into finance lease agreements on property, plant and equipment and other intangible assets (the most significant categories of assets are disclosed in Note 13 Property, Plant and Equipment. Minimum instalments and present values thereof under finance lease agreements are as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Up to one year	71,099	8,570	769
From 1 to 5 years	255,797	26,291	4,042
More than 5 years	98,320	16,566	434
Total minimum instalments on finance leases	425,216	51,427	5,245
Future financing (expense)	(191,607)	(9,597)	(249)
Book value of finance leases (note 18)	233,609	41,830	4,996

No contingent instalments were agreed upon during the period.

At the closing of the reporting periods, there are no material finance lease agreements if considered separately.



#### Note 36.2 Operating leases when the Group acts as the lessee

The Group has entered into operating lease agreements mainly related to business premises, vehicles and machinery. Total future minimum instalments under non-cancellable operating lease agreements for the reporting periods are:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Up to one year	181,885	129,123	167,313
From 1 to 5 years	614,597	394,595	520,867
More than 5 years	811,715	468,748	600,657
Total minimum payments on irrevocable operating leases	1,608,197	992,466	1,288,837

Operating lease agreement terms range from 1 to 25 years. The Group made an analysis and concluded that lease agreements may not be cancelled during its term. In the event of termination, a minimum cancellation charge shall be paid, ranging from 1 to 12 monthly instalments, or a fixed percentage on the remaining of the term.

Group management consider payment of additional instalments as contingent payments that may range from 0.01% to 6% on sales.

The agreements may be extended pursuant to legal regulations in force and may include periodic adjustment clauses according to inflation.

Lease expenses recognized in income for the period amounted to \$558,957 (2014 \$178,882), including contingent instalments in amount of \$177,125 (2014: \$53,509).

At the closing of the reporting periods, there are no material operating lease agreements if considered separately.

## Note 36.3 Operating leases when the Group acts as the lessor

The Group has entered into operating lease agreements on investment properties. Total minimum of future charges under irrevocable operating lease agreements on the reporting date is:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Up to one year	102,947	53,376	25,474
From 1 to 5 years	196,061	154,538	59,719
More than 5 years	248,537	232,025	55,370
Total minimum collected on irrevocable operating leases	547,545	439,939	140,563

The Group made an analysis and concluded that lease agreements may not be cancelled during its term. In the event of termination, a minimum cancellation charge shall be paid, ranging from 1 to 12 monthly instalments, or a fixed percentage on the remaining of the term.

Revenue from leases recognized in period results amounted to \$154,673 (2014 \$42,841) including revenue from the lease of investment properties \$116,505 (2014: \$50,598). Contingent instalments included in the revenue from leases amounted to \$65,268 (2014 \$13,251).

# Note 37. Information on operation segments

For organizational and management purposes, the Group is focused on nine operating segments divided in three geographical segments: Colombia (Éxito, Carulla, Descuento & BTB), Brazil (Food, Non-Food, and E-Commerce) and other countries (Uruguay and Argentina.) For each of the segments there is financial information that is used on an ongoing basis by senior management for making decisions on the operations, allocation of resources and strategic approach.

On its part, total assets and liabilities by segment are not specifically reported internally for management purposes and consequently the Group does not disclose them in the framework of IFRS 8.

Reportable segments include development of the following activities:

#### Colombia

- Éxito: The most significant products and services for this segment come solely from retailing activities, with stores under the banner Éxito.
- Carulla: The most significant products and services for this segment come solely from retailing activities, with stores under the banner Carulla.
- Discount: The most significant products and services for this segment come solely from retailing activities, with stores under the banner Surtimax and Super Inter.
- BTB: The most significant products and services for this segment come solely from retailing activities in BTB format and with stores under the banner Surti wholesaler.

#### Brazil

- Food: The most significant products and services for this segment come solely from food trading activities.
- Non-Food: The most significant products and services for this segment come solely from the trading of household appliances and other goods other than food
- E-Commerce: The most significant products and services for this segment come solely from the trading of products through the Internet or electronic commerce.

#### Other countries (Argentina and Uruguay):

The most significant products and services for this segment come solely from retail trading activities. In Argentina with stores under the banner Libertad and Mini Libertad, and in Uruguay with stores under the banner Disco, Devoto and Géant.

The accounting policies of segments being reported are the same as the Group's accounting policies described in note 3.

The Group discloses information by segment pursuant to IFRS 8 "Operating Segments", which are defined as a component of an entity with separate financial information assessed by senior management on an ongoing basis.

Sales by each of the segments for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014:

Country	Segment	2015	2014
	Éxito	6,979,065	7,060,854
Calambia	Carulla	1,493,215	1,453,520
Colombia	Discount	1,570,030	803,196
	B2B	242,889	192,789
	Food	10,533,312	-
Brazil	Non Food	4,795,995	-
	E-Commerce	3,465,273	-
Other countries	Argentina	595,882	-
Other countries	Uruguay	2,122,911	645,338
Total sales		31,798,572	10,155,697
Eliminations (1)		(1,093)	-
Total consolidated		31,797,479	10,155,697

The information by geographical areas correspond:



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	Colombia	Brazil (2)	Argentina (2)	Uruguay (2)	Total	Eliminations (1)	Total consolidated
Net retail sales	10,285,199	18,794,580	595,882	2,122,911	1,798,572	(1,093)	31,797,479
Trade margin	2,611,361	4,660,878	236,458	746,695	,255,392	(956)	8,254,436
Total recurring expenses	2,017,693	3,925,268	190,757	616,188	6,749,906	(956)	6,748,950
ROI	593,668	735,610	45,701	130,507	1,505,486	-	1,505,486
Recurring EBITDA	804,911	996,869	50,309	169,301	2,021,390	-	2,021,390

2014

	Colombia	Brazil (2)	Argentina (2)	Uruguay (2)	Total	Eliminations (1)	Total consolidated
Net retail sales	9,510,359	-	-	645,338	10,155,697	-	10,155,697
Trade margin	2,405,741	-	-	223,681	2,629,422	-	2,629,422
Total expenses	1,823,514	-	-	188,621	2,012,135	-	2,012,135
ROI	582,227	-	-	35,060	617,287	-	617,287
Recurring EBITDA	770.876	-	-	43.738	814,614	-	814.614

<sup>(1)</sup> Refers to the balances of transactions carried out between segments, which are eliminated in the process of consolidation of financial statements to obtain the Group's balances.

#### Note 38. Measurement of the fair value

Below is a comparison of book values and fair values of the Group's financial assets and liabilities at December 31, 2015, 2014 and at January 1, 2014 on a periodic basis as required or permitted by an accounting policy; financial assets and liabilities whose book values are an approximation of fair values are excluded, considering that they mature in the short time (in less than or up to one year), namely trade receivables and other debtors, trade payables and other creditors and short-term financial liabilities.

<sup>(2)</sup> For information presentation purposes, non-operating companies - *Holding companies* that hold interests in the operating companies - are assigned by segments to the geographical area to which the operating companies belong. Should a *Holding company* hold interests in various operating companies, it is assigned to the most significant operating company.

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	Book value	Fair value	Book value	Fair value	Book value	Fair value
	2015	2015	2014	2014	January 2014	January 2014
Financial assets						
Loans at amortized cost	22,091	19,359	19,788	17,256	19,567	16,495
Investments in private equity funds	965	966	975	975	893	893
Forward contracts measured at fair value through income	67,027	67,027	20,343	20,343	111	111
Derivative swap contracts denominated as hedge instruments	573,174	573,174	-	-	-	-
Investment in bonds	5,824	5,824	-	-	-	-
Equity investments	1,046	1,046	9,692	9,692	1,034	1,034
Non-financial assets						
Investment property	1,083,600	1,395,311	754,775	897,774	647,815	647,815
Total	1,753,727	2,062,707	805,573	946,040	669,420	666,348
Financial liabilities						
Financial liabilities at amortized cost	10,086,126	10,020,768	2,495	2,495	98,633	98,633
Financial leases at amortized cost	233,609	232,355	41,830	41,830	4,996	4,996
Put option (1)	310,323	310,323	-	-	-	-
Bonds issued	744,330	744,330	152,441	150,096	152,108	150,096
Forward contracts measured at fair value through income	2,351	2,351	5,644	5,644	-	-
Total	11,376,739	11,310,127	202,410	200,065	255,737	253,725



The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair values:

	Hierachy level	Valuation technique	Description of the valuation technique	Significant input data
Assets				
Loans at amortized cost	Level 2	Discounted cash flows method	Future cash flows are discounted at present value using the market rate for loans in similar conditions on the date of measurement in accordance with maturity dates.	Commercial rate of banking institutions for consumption receivables without credit card in similar terms.  Commercial trade for VIS housing loans in similar terms
Investments in private equity funds	Level 1	Unit value	The value of the Fund unit is given by the preclosing value for the day divided by the total number of Fund units on the closing of operations for the day. The appraisal of assets is daily performed by the Fund administrator.	N/A
Forward contracts measured at fair value through income	Level 2	Peso-US Dollar forward	The difference is measured between the forward agreed upon rate and the forward rate on the date of valuation relevant to the remaining term of the derivative financial instrument and it is discounted at present vaue using a zero coupon interest rate. The "forward" rate is determined based on the quote of the two-way closing price ("bid" and "ask").	Peso/US Dollar exchange rate set out in the Forward contract. Market representative exchange rate on the date of valuation. Peso-US Dollar Forward points of the Forward market on the date of valuation.  Number of days between valuation date and maturity date. Zero coupon interest rate.
Swap contracts measured at fair value through income	Level 2	Operating cash flows forecast model	The method uses own Swap cash flows, forecased using treasury securities of the State that issues the currency in which each flow has been expressed for further discount at present value, using official swap market rates disclosed by the relevant authorities of each country. The difference between cash inflows and cash outflows represents the Swap net value at the closing under analysis.	Reference Banking Index Curve 3 months. TES curva zero coupon. Swap LIBOR curve. Treasury Bond curve PCI 12 months

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	Hierachy level	Valuation technique	Description of the valuation technique	Significant input data
Assets				
Derivative swap contracts denominated as hedge instruments	Level 2	Discounted cash flows method	The fair value is calculated based on forecasted future cash flows of transactions using IDC curves and discounting them at present value, using swap IDC market rates, both as displayed by BM&FBovespa.	IDC Curve Swap IDC rate
Investment in bonds	Level 1	Market quote prices	Fair value of such investments is calculated as reference to quote prices displayed in active markets for the relevant financial instrument.	N/A
Equity investments	Level 1	Market quote prices	The fair value of such investments is determined as reference to the prices listed in active markets if Companies are listed; in all other cases, the investments are measured at the deemed cost as determined in the opening balance sheet, considering that the effect is immaterial and that carrying out a measurement using a valuation technique commonly used by market participants might generate higher costs than the value of benefits.	N/A
Investment property	Level 1	Comparison or market method	This technique involves establishing the fair value of goods from a survey of recent offers or transactions for similar goods that are comparable to the purpose of the valuation.	N/A
Investment property	Level 3	Discounted cash flows method	This technique provides the opportunity to identify the increase in revenue over a previously defined period of investment. Property value is equivalent to the discounted value of future benefits. Such benefits represent annual cash flows (both, positive and negative) over a period of time, plus the net profit arising from the hypothetical sale of the property at the end of the investment period.	Weighted average cost of capital. Growth in sales lessees. Vacancy. Growth in revenue.



	Hierachy level	Valuation technique	Description of the valuation technique	Significant input data
Assets				
Investment property	Level 3	Replacement cost method	The valuation method consists of calculating the value of a brand-new property, built at the date of the report, having the same quality and comforts as that under evaluation. Such value is called replacement value; then an analysis is made of property impairment arising from the passing of time and the careful or careless maintenance the property has received, which is called depreciation.	Physical value of building and land
Investment property	Level 3	Realizable- value method	This technique is used wherever the property is suitable for urban development, applied from an estimation of total sales of a project under construction, pursuant to urban legal regulations in force and in accordance with the final saleable asset market.	Residual Value
Liabilities				
Put option (1)	Level 3	Given formula	Fair value is measured using a given formula under an agreement entered into with non-controlling interests of Grupo Disco, using level 3 input data.	Net Income of Supermercados Disco del Uruguay S.A. at December 31, 2014 and 2015 Uruguayan peso-US Dollar exchange rate on the date of valuation US Dollar-Colombian peso exchange rate on the date of valuation Total shares Supermercados Disco del Uruguay S.A.
Financial liabilities and finance leases measured at amortized cost	Level 2	Discounted cash flows method	Future cash flows are discounted at present value using the market rate for loans under similar terms and conditions on the date of measurement in accordance with maturity dates.	Reference Banking Index (RBI) + Negotiated basic points LIBOR rate + Negotiated basic points
Bonds issued	Level 2	Discounted cash flows method	Future cash flows are discounted at present value using the market rate for bonds in similar conditions on the date of measurement in accordance with maturity dates.	PCI 12 months

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	Hierachy level	Valuation technique	Description of the valuation technique	Significant input data
Liabilities				
Derivative instruments measured at fair value through income	Level 2	Peso-US Dollar forward	The difference is measured between the forward agreed upon rate and the forward rate on the date of valuation relevant to the remaining term of the derivative financial instrument and it is discounted at present vaue using a zero coupon interest rate. The "forward" rate is determined based on the quote of the two-way closing price ("bid" and "ask").	Peso/US Dollar exchange rate set out in the Forward contract.  Market representative exchange rate on the date of valuation.  Peso-US Dollar Forward points of the Forward market on the date of valuation.  Number of days between valuation date and maturity date.  Zero coupon interest rate.

(1) The parent is party to a put option agreement with the holders of non-controlling investment in Grupo Disco del Uruguay. From time to time, the Company internally measures such option by applying three formulas agreed upon between the parties. The result of the valuation is the highest value obtained among the three methods applied. Not observable material data input and a valuation sensitivity analysis refer to:

	Liabilities	Significant not observable input data	Range (weighted average)	Input data sensitivity over calculation of the fair value
		Net income of Supermercados Disco del Uruguay S.A. at December 31, 2014 and 2015	72,661 - 100,773	
Put option (1)		US Dollar-Uruguayan peso exchange rate on the date of valuation	23.82 - 29.33 (29.87)	A significant increase in any of input data severally considered would result in a significantly higher
		US Dollar-Colombian peso exchange rate on the date of valuation	2,360.58 - 3,356.00 (3,149.47)	measurement of the fair value
		Total shares of Supermercados Disco del Uruguay S.A.	443,071,594	



The movements of the measurement of the put option during the period relate to:

	Put option
Balance at December 31, 2014	•
Purchases	262,247
Changes in fair value recognized in investments	48,076
Balance at December 31, 2015 (see Note 18)	310,323

There were no transfers between level 1 and level 2 hierarchies during the period.

#### Note 39. Offsetting of financial assets and liabilities

Out of total financial assets and liabilities included in the statement of financial position, below are assets and liabilities offset under such line items:

Year	Financial assets	Gross value of recognized financial assets	Gross value of related recognized financial liabilities	Net value of recognized financial assets
2015	Derivative financial instruments and hedging (1)	4,106,620	3,466,419	640,201
2014	Derivative financial instruments and hedging (1)	157,016	136,672	20,344
January 2014	Derivative financial instruments and hedging (1)	81,970	81,859	111

Year	Financial liabilities	Gross value of recognized financial liabilities	Gross value of related recognized financial assets	Net value of recognized financial liabilities
2015	Derivative financial instruments and hedging (1)	55,307	52,956	2,351
2015	Trade payables and other accounts payable (2)	16,354,445	995,309	15,359,136
2014	Derivative financial instruments and hedging (1)	259,412	253,768	5,644
2014	Trade payables and other accounts payable (2)	2,089,422	288,283	1,801,139
January 2014	Trade payables and other accounts payable (2)	1,652,872	212,149	1,440,723

<sup>(1)</sup> The Group carries out derivative and hedge "forward" and "swap" contracts to hedge against fluctuation in exchange and interest rates on accounts payable and financial liabilities. Such items are measured at fair value (see Note 11 Other financial assets and Note 38 Measurement of the fair value).

(2) The Group has entered into offsetting agreements with suppliers, arising from the procurement of inventories. Such items are included in trade payables.

The Group's statement of financial position does not show any unsettled amounts related to collaterals or other financial instruments.

#### Note 40. Contingent assets and liabilities

#### Note 40.1 Contingent assets

The most significant of Group's contingent assets at December 31, 2015 represented: real estate revaluation assessment proceedings \$1,163 (2014 \$1,163); 2005 Industry and Trade tax proceedings in amount of \$1,010 (2014 \$1,010); and proceedings seeking nullity of the resolutions that declared as inapplicable the offsetting of the parent's 2008 income tax at Carulla Vivero S.A. \$1,088 (2014 \$0).

In accordance with applicable policies, such contingent assets, which nature is that of possible assets, are not recognized in the statement of financial position until realization of income is virtually true; instead, they are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

#### Note 40.2 Contingent liabilities

The most significant of the Group's contingent liabilities at December 31, 2015 relate to:

	2015
For legal proceedings (a)	326,391
For taxes (b)	8,942,306
Other contingent liabilities (c)	682,947
Total	9,951,644

- (a) Refers to a requirement by the National Social Security Institute of Brazil INSS to Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD on the grounds of its failure to pay social contributions on benefits granted to its employees, among other matters. The requirements are being discussed in administrative and judicial proceedings.
- (b) Contingent liabilities arising from taxes refer to the following proceedings:
- b.1. Imposto de Renda Pessoa Juridica (IRPJ), Imposto de Renda Retido na Fonte (IRRF), Contribuição Social sobre o Lucro Líquido (CSLL), Imposto sobre operações financeiras (IOF), Imposto de renda sobre o lucro líquido (ILL): They refer to proceedings on offsetting of taxes, rules on deductibility of provisions, tax differences, excess payments and fines arising from failure to comply with ancillary obligations, among other minor. Such proceedings are pending administrative and judicial ruling. Such proceedings include those regarding the collection of differences in the receipts of IRPJ for years 2007 to 2013, arising from the incorrect deduction of the amortization of goodwill paid on transactions between shareholders Casino and Abílio Diniz. Contingent liabilities amount to \$1,579,412. IRPJ-related proceedings regarding amortization of goodwill amounted to \$832,694 at December 31, 2015.
- b.2. Sales tax, tax on purchases, tax on bank transactions and tax on industrial products (COFINS, PIS and CPMF and IPI): Refer to offsetting proceedings on IPI credits inputs subject to zero aliquot or exempt acquired from third parties, other offsetting requests, collection of taxes with a bearing on soy exports, payment differences, excess payments, fines from the failure to comply with ancillary obligations, no recognition of COFINS and PIS credits on products predominantly single-phase, among other issues. Such proceedings are pending administrative and judicial ruling. At December 31, 2015, these contingent liabilities amount to \$1,701,211.
- b.3. Tax on the Movement of Goods and Services (ICMS): The Company received requirement from tax authorities regarding the appropriation of credits as follows: (i) electric power; (ii) procurement from suppliers deemed disqualified before the register of Secretaria da Fazenda Estadual; (iii) compensation of tax substitution without compliance with the ancillary obligations set forth in Portaria CAT n° 17 of the State of Sao Paulo; (iv) incidents on the goods procurement operation; (v) arising from the trading of extended guarantee; (vi) among other. Such proceedings are pending administrative and judicial ruling. At December 31, 2015, such proceedings amount to \$5,353,601.
- b.4. Tax on services (ISS), Brazilian tax on property (IPTU), levies and other: Refer to requirements on third party withholdings, differences in the payment of IPTU, fines from the failure to comply with ancillary obligations, ISS compensation for advertising expenses, and miscellaneous levies. Such proceedings are pending administrative and judicial ruling. The value of the provision at December 31, 2015 is \$308,081.
- (c) Other contingent liabilities relate to:
- c.1. \$659,946 of Companhia Brasilerira de Distribuição CBD arising from real estate-related actions filed on the grounds of extension of lease agreements at market prices, administrative proceedings brought by regulators such as consumer protection bodies (PROCONs), Instituo Nacional de Metrologia, Normalização e Qualidade Industrial INMETRO, Agência Nacional de Vigilância Sanitária ANVISA, among other.
- c.2. \$23,001 of Almacenes Éxito arising from the guarantee extended by the Group to Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S. on July 13, 2015 to protect one of its most important suppliers in case of default in amount of \$5,000; additionally, on December 18th notice was served on the assignment of credits as its own property and with liability in favor of Banco BBVA in amount of \$18,001.



In accordance with applicable policies, such contingent assets, which nature is that of possible assets, are not recognized in the statement of financial position; they are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

#### Note 41. Financial risk management policy.

The Group's financial instruments are classified according to its nature, features and the purpose for which they have been acquired or issued. The Group maintains instruments measured at fair value through income, with the purpose of holding them for investment or risk management in the case of derivative financial instruments not classified as cash flow hedge instruments.

The Group uses derivative financial instruments just as a positive defense measure against identified risks. Total underlying assets and liabilities under financial instrument contracts are limited to the amount of actual assets and liabilities entailing an underlying risk. The only purpose of transactions with financial derivative instruments is to reduce the exposure to fluctuation of interest rates and foreign exchange rates and maintain a proper structure of the financial position.

The fair value of the other financial instruments mentioned represents an approximation to book values pursuant to agreed-upon payment terms. A detail of financial instruments measured at amortized cost whose value is different from the carrying amount is provided in Note 11 Other financial assets and Note 23 Other financial liabilities, respectively.

#### Considerations of risk factors that might have an effect on the business

#### General framework for risk management

The Group's Comprehensive Risk Management System includes an Internal Control System that seeks to provide a proper treatment to situations that might have an effect on the fulfilment of its goals.

Controls have been implemented at all levels, processes and areas of the Group, through a set of policies, principles, regulations, procedures and verification and assessment systems defined by the relevant governance bodies. In addition, the Company has an Organizational Transformation Management office, where the operation model and organizational structure are permanently reviewed, including the design of the controls required for the assurance of key processes, projects and information systems.

Some of the systems implemented to meet risk control and management goals are:

- The Self-control program, implemented approximately 14 years ago, which recognizes the "ability of people to consider control as an intrinsic part of
  their responsibilities, fields of action and decision making". This program consists of a self-assessment of the most critical risks and key controls, carried
  out half-yearly by process leaders, and a definition with the same frequency of corrective action plans wherever deviations are identified.
- The Transparency Program, led by the Ethics Committee, made of the HR Vice President, the Internal Auditor and the Secretary General of the parent, offers reporting channels such as: the Transparency Line 18000 52 25 26 or the email etica@grupoexito.com.

During 2015, the Internal Audit, in an independent and objective manner, conducted a risk-based assessment focused on compliance with business goals and on the most significant projects of the Organization, including risk management, control and governance. The assessment included assurance and consultancy processes supported on the Transparency Program and on investigations, based on which recommendations were issued and actions plans were defined to be developed jointly with Management and the process leaders, seeking to improve the design and close the gaps in the Internal Control System.

On its part, an independent third party carried out an audit, including accounting and financial processes and systems, preparation and disclosure of financial information, risks and internal control having an effect on financial information, and compliance with the Law, the Bylaws and the decisions of the Board of Directors.

In addition, the Board of Directors and the Audit and Risk Committee supervised the accounting, information and financial reporting processes; risk management; internal control system and architecture, including the assessment of performance of Internal Audit and Statutory Audit; audit and statutory audit processes; compliance with laws and regulations, and company codes of conduct.

The Company has implemented a Comprehensive Risk Management Policy, with defined roles and responsibilities, a centralized area to lead and support the identification, assessment, management and ongoing monitoring of risks methodology, to reflect the reality and changes in market conditions, businesses, projects and key processes. Controls have been implemented at all levels, processes and areas of the Group, through a set of policies, principles, regulations, procedures and verification and assessment systems defined by the relevant governance bodies.

The Audit and Risk Committee supports the Board of Directors in supervising the compliance with the Comprehensive Risk Management system to ensure compliance with Company goals, ongoing monitoring of the most relevant risk maps, most significant treatment measures and proper development of the Internal Control System. The Audit and Risk Committee is supported by the Internal Audit and Statutory Audit that conduct independent assessment of risk management controls and procedures and whose results are regularly reported to such Committee.

#### Financial risk management

Besides derivative instruments, the most significant of the Group's financial liabilities include debt, finance leases and interest-bearing loans, trade accounts payable and other accounts payable. The main purpose of such liabilities is to finance the Group's operations and maintain proper levels of working capital and net financial debt.

The most significant of the Group's financial assets include loans, trade debtors and other accounts receivable, as well as cash and short-term placements directly resulting from routine transactions. In addition, the Group has other investments classified as financial assets measured at fair value, which, according to the business model, have effects on period results or in other comprehensive income. Further, other rights that will be recorded as financial assets may arise from transactions with derivative instruments.

The Group has an exposure to market, credit and liquidity risks. Group management monitors the manner in which such risks are managed, through the relevant levels of the organization. The scope of the Board of Directors' activities includes an investments committee that supervises such financial risks and the financial risk management corporate framework that is most appropriate to the Group. The investments committee supports Group management in that financial risk assumption activities fall within the approved corporate policies and procedures framework, and that such financial risks are identified, measured and managed pursuant to such corporate policies.

Financial risk management related to all transactions with derivative instruments is carried out by teams of specialists with the required capabilities and experience under the supervision of organizational structure. Pursuant to corporate policies, no transactions with derivative instruments may be carried out solely for speculation. The effects of accounting hedge models, if applied, are taken to income for the period or to other comprehensive income, as the case may be. Generally, hedges are classified as cash flow hedges; they have been documented and comply with all requirements set forth by the financial instrument standard under IFRS. When accounting hedge models do not apply, then derivatives are negotiated on the basis of an underlying element that in fact requires such hedging in accordance with company analyses.

The Board of Directors reviews and agrees on the policies applicable to manage each of these risks, which are summarized below:

#### i) Credit risk

A credit risk is the risk that a counterpart fail to comply with his obligations taken on under a financial instrument or trade agreement, resulting in financial loss. The Group is exposed to credit risk arising from its operating activities (particularly from trade debtors) and from its financial activities (such as financing on credit cards), including deposits in banks and financial institutions and other financial instruments.

The book value of financial assets represents the maximum exposure to credit risks.



#### Cash and cash equivalents

The credit risk arising from balances with banks and financial institutions is managed by the treasury department at each company, and in accordance with corporate policies defined for such purpose. Surplus funds are only invested in approved counterparties and within previously established jurisdictions. On a quarterly basis, Company management reviews the general financial conditions of counterparties, assessing the most significant financial ratios and market ratings.

#### Trade receivables and other accounts receivable

The credit risk associated with trade receivables is low given that most of the Group sales are cash sales (cash and credit cards) and financing activities are conducted under trade agreements that reduce the Group's exposure to risk. In addition, there are administrative collections departments that permanently monitor the payment behavior and risk models by each third party. A portion of trade receivables is sold to financial institutions; such sale is recognized as derecognition of trade receivables, and the credit risk, benefits and control over such assets is transferred to the mentioned entities.

There are no trade receivables that separately considered are equivalent to or exceed 5% of accounts receivable or sales, respectively.

#### Credits receivable

The credit risk related to credits receivable, mainly on credit cards, is deemed to be moderate, considering the target market and the guarantees gathered during the process. The Group has an area specialized in the production and control of such credits and the risk exposure is managed following strict collection processes under the direction of Group management. Expected losses related to such receivables are shown net of balances thereof, such balance being the highest potential loss of the financial asset.

#### Guarantees

The Group's policy is to provide financial guarantees only to its subsidiaries. At December 31, 2015, the parent has issued guarantees in favor of certain suppliers and financial institutions related to credit facilities granted to C-Discount Colombia S.A.S. to a maximum of \$23,000.

#### ii) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, namely changes in exchange rates, interest rates or stock prices, have a negative effect on the Group's income or on the value of the financial instruments it holds. The purpose of market risk management is to manage and control exposure to this risk within reasonable parameters while optimizing profitability.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the probability that the fair value of financial assets and liabilities, or the future cash flows of financial instruments, fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. The Group's exposure to the interest rate risk is mainly related to debt obligations incurred at variable interest rates or indexed to an index beyond the control of the Group.

Most of the Group's financial liabilities are indexed to market variable rates. To manage the risk, the Group enters into financial exchange transactions via derivative financial instruments (interest rate swaps) with previously approved financial institutions, under which it agrees on exchanging, at specific intervals, the difference between the amounts of fixed interest rates and variable interest rates estimated over an agreed upon nominal principal amount, which turns variable rates into fixed rates and cash flows may then be determined.

Under certain circumstances, the interest rate risk is managed via transactions with derivative financial instruments that may or not be designated as hedge accounting; however, such transactions are carried out seeking to mitigate the risk exposure, and not for speculation. Derivative instruments classified as accounting hedge transactions are recorded pursuant to IFRS 9.

#### **Currency risk**

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of financial instruments fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates. The Group's exposure to exchange rate risk is attached, in the first place, to liability transactions in foreign currency associated with long-term liabilities and with the Group's operating activities (wherever revenues and expenses are denominated in a currency other than the functional currency of each company), as well as with the parent's net investments in foreign subsidiaries.

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The Group manages its exchange rate risk via derivative financial instruments (namely forwards and swaps) wherever such instruments are efficient to mitigate volatility.

Wherever the nature of the hedge is not economic, the Group's policy is to negotiate the conditions of derivative instruments in such a way that they correlate with the terms of the underlying elements that are the purpose of the hedge, seeking to maximize the efficacy in the exposure to such variables. The Group carries out different transactions with derivative instruments seeking to manage the risks, although not all financial derivatives are classified as hedging transactions; however, the Group policy is not to carry out transactions solely for speculation, and consequently even if not classified as hedge accounting, derivative financial instruments are associated to an underlying element and a notional amount that expose the Group to variations in exchange rates in an equivalent manner.

#### Stock price risk

Share capital issued, premium on the issue or placement of shares and all other equity reserves attributable to the shareholders of the controlling entity are included for the purposes of managing the price of the stock of Group companies. The main purpose of managing the Group's share capital is to maximize the value to shareholders.

The Group manages its share capital structure and makes the required adjustments as a function of changes in economic conditions and requirements of financial clauses. In order to maintain and adjust its capital structure, the Group may also modify the payment of dividends to shareholders, reimburse capital contributions or issue new shares.

#### iii) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group might face difficulties to fulfil its obligations associated with financial liabilities, which are settled by delivery of cash or other financial assets. The Group's approach to manage liquidity is to ensure, in as much as possible, that it will always have the liquidity required to meet its obligations at maturity, both under ordinary and stress circumstances, without incurring unacceptable losses or putting its reputation at risk.

The Group manages liquidity risks by monitoring its cash flows and maturities of financial assets and liabilities on a daily basis, and by maintaining proper relations with the relevant financial institutions in each country.

The purpose of the Group is to maintain a balance between business continuity and the use of financing sources through short-term and long-term bank loans according to needs, unused credit lines available from financial institutions, finance leases, among other mechanisms.

The Group has rated the concentration of liquidity risk as low with respect to the possibility of refinancing its debt.

#### Sensitivity analysis for 2015 balances

From a statistical standpoint, the Group assessed the potential changes in interest rates of financial liabilities and other significant contract liabilities.

#### For Companies in Colombia:

Assuming complete normality and considering about 70% of the potential interest rates, three scenarios have been assessed:

- Scenario I: Interest rates equal to rates used to calculate the fair value.
- Scenario II: An increase of 0.03% is assumed for BRR (Banking reference rate); an increase of 0.0026% is assumed for LIBOR at 30 days, and an increase of 0.0044% is assumed for LIBOR at 90 days. All increases on the latest published interest rate.
- A reduction of 0.03% is assumed for BRR; a reduction of 0.0026% is assumed for LIBOR at 30 days, and a reduction of 0.0044% is assumed for LIBOR at 90 days. All reductions on the latest published interest rate.

#### For subsidiaries in Brazil

The most likely scenario is an estimation through market curves (exchange rates and interest rates) of BM & F Bovespa, on the maturity dates for each transaction. Consequently, three scenarios are analyzed:

- Scenario I: Interest rates equal to rates used to calculate the fair value.
- Scenario II: A 25% impairment on risk variables.



• Scenario III: A 50% impairment on risk variables.

The sensitivity analysis did not result in significant variance among the three scenarios presented and consequently they are unobservable when rounding amounts to millions. Potential changes are as follows:

		Market forecast			
Operations	Risk	At December 31, 2015	Scenario I	Scenario II	Scenario III
Loans	Increase in interest rates	4,107,868	4,108,407	4,108,407	4,108,407
Finance leases	Risk  Increase in interest rates	23,446	23,598	23,598	23,598
Total		4,131,314	4,132,005	4,132,005	4,132,005

#### iv) Insurance policies

At December 31, 2015, the Group has acquired the following insurance policies to mitigate the risks associated with the entire operation:

Insurance lines of coverage	Coverage limits	Coverage
All risk, Damages and Loss of Profits	There is a liability ceiling per each policy	Losses or sudden and unforeseen damage and incidental damage sustained by covered property, directly arising from any event not expressly excluded. Covers buildings, furniture and fixtures, machinery and equipment, goods, electronic equipment, improved facilities, other insured's property.
Freight insurance	Annual transportation budget	Property and goods owned by the insured, including those on which it has insurable interest.
Third party liability	There is a ceiling per each coverage	Full coverage to address claims and insurance compensation for damages to customers or third parties arising from the risks generated in the regular operation of the business.
Director's and officers' liability insurance	There is a ceiling per each coverage	Covers claims resulting in civil liability arising from wrongful acts or alleged wrongful acts of directors and officers acting in the exercise of their respective functions.
		Coverage:
Deception and financial risks	There is a ceiling per each coverage	Willful misconduct of employees
		Loss inside and outside of property or premises
Group life insurance and accident insurance	The insured amount relates to the number of wages defined by the Company	Death and total and permanent disability arising from natural and accidental death
		Third party liability
		Total and partial loss Damages
Vehicles - Almacenes Éxito S.A.	100% coverage with deductible of 2 SMMLV	Total and partial loss Theft
		Earthquake
		Other coverages as described in the policy

#### Note 42. Relevant facts

#### 2015

#### Agreement on the sale of trade establishments entered into between Almacenes Éxito S.A. and Caja de Compensación Familiar - CAFAM

On February 23, 2015, the Group entered into an agreement with Caja de Compensación Familiar – CAFAM to sell trade establishments, which main purpose was: (i) the sale by Cafam to the Group of stores owned by Cafam and operated by the Group; (ii) the sale by the Group to Cafam of drugstores owned by the Group and operated by Cafam; (iii) the sale by the Group to Cafam of the Carulla drugstores owned by the Group, and (iv) the termination of the cooperation agreement executed on September 23, 2010 requiring each of the parties to pay to the other a participation of net monthly sales of stores and drugstores.

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#### Acquisition of 100% of Lanin S.A.

On February 26, 2015 Larenco S.A., a subsidiary domiciled in Uruguay, acquired an additional share interest of 3.18% represented in 98,287 shares of Lanin S.A., owner of Devoto stores in that country.

Such acquisition resulted from the exercise of seller shareholders' right to sell and consolidated the Group's 100% interest in Lanin S.A., through Spice Investment Mercosur S.A., owner of 7.37% and Larenco S.A. that consolidates a 92.63% interest.

#### Exercise of the purchase option on the Super Inter stores.

On April 15, 2015, the Group exercised the option to acquire 29 trade establishment under the Súper Inter banner and the intellectual property rights associated to the Súper Inter trademark, title to which was vested in Comercializadora Giraldo Gómez ("Comercializadora"), pursuant to the purchase option agreement executed on February 8, 2014.

The Group thus acquired ownership of the trade establishments it had been operating since October 2014 under an operation agreement, as well as the trade name, trademarks, slogans and other intellectual property elements associated to the Súper Inter trademark, which use had been granted to the Group under a license agreement. Consequently, the operation agreement and the license agreement were terminated, including obligations imposed by such agreements on each of the parties.

Such transaction is completed upon compliance with the requirements of the Superintendence of Industry and Trade to carry out the integration operation, which included the obligation to sell to a competitor 4 out of the 50 trade establishments originally included in the transaction, that is, the sale of 2 out of 19 establishments that were the purpose of the sale-purchase agreement and of 2 of 31 establishments that were the purpose of the operation agreement.

#### Acquisition of control of Grupo Disco del Uruguay S.A. through Spice Investments Mercosur S.A.

On April 27, 2015, the Group entered into a Shareholders Agreement relevant to Grupo Disco Uruguay S.A. (GDU), with a two-year term, which granted to it the voting rights of more than 75% of such company and represented effective control and global consolidation of the financial statements.

Previously, in September 2011, the group had acquired a share interest of 62.49% in this company under a situation of joint control arising from the capital structure and the various types of shares, which was accounted for using the equity method until December 31, 2014.

The valuation method used to measure the fair value of the previous interest in GDU was mainly based on the discounted cash flow method.

The Group recognized a profit of \$29,681 arising from the measurement at fair value of the 62.49% participation held in GDU prior to the business combination, for the period ended December 31, 2015.

The non-controlling interest in GDU was measured at fair value.

#### Appointment of new members of the Board of Directors.

Due to the death of Mr. Nicanor Restrepo Santamaría, the Board of Directors and the CEO of the Group called an extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders to appoint the new members of the Board for the remaining of the period until 2016.

On June 11, 2015, the Meeting of Shareholders confirmed the appointment of 8 of the 9 members of the Board elected during the ordinary meeting held in March 2014, and as new member appointed Luis Fernando Alarcón Mantilla, who was also appointed as Chairman.



#### Damage to Almacén Éxito Las Flores in Valledupar.

Because of an act of nature, on June 23, 2015, the premises of Almacén Éxito Las Flores in Valledupar were damaged and technical studies concluded that it was necessary to rebuild the store.

At present, the Group is in the process of providing the insurance company with supporting evidence of damages.

This store is expected to reopen during the first quarter of 2016.

#### Approval of the acquisition of shares of Compañía de Financiamiento TUYA S.A.

On July 1, 2015, the parent and its subsidiary Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S. entered into a share sales-purchase agreement with Bancolombia S.A., Fundación Bancolombia and Fondo de Empleados del Grupo Bancolombia, by means of which they will acquire 50% of the outstanding shares of Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A. ("Tuya"), company through which an alliance has been developed over a decade between Bancolombia and the Company for the promotion of consumer lending on products such as Éxito Credit Card, among other.

Closing was conditional, among other, upon the approval by the Colombian Financial Superintendence, which was granted on December 30, 2015. Once all other authorizations required are obtained and paperwork is finalized, the parties will proceed to fulfil their obligations.

#### Funding of investments in Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição and Libertad S.A.

#### Peso credit facility agreement.

A peso credit facility agreement was entered into on July 29, 2015, by means of which certain Colombian financial institutions granted the parent a credit facility for up to \$3,500,000 (three trillion five hundred billion Colombian pesos). Fiduciaria Bancolombia was appointed as general partner to the contract.

An amendment to said agreement was executed on December 21, 2015, including the main following changes to borrowing terms and conditions:

(i) Amendment to borrowing amounts as per the following detail:

	Total contract value	Amount disbursed under initial terms and conditions	Amount disbursed under current terms and conditions
Long-term loan in millions of pesos - 10 years	\$2,000,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000
Short-term loan in millions of pesos - 18 months	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	-
Medium-term loan in millions of pesos - 5 years	-	-	\$838,000
Revolving credit in millions of pesos - 12 months, renewable	\$500,000	\$400,000	\$400,000
Total	\$3,500,000	\$3,250,000	\$3,088,000
Bridge loan in millions of US Dollars (18 months)	USD400	USD400	-
Syndicated loan in millions of US Dollars (3 years)	-	-	USD450
Total in USD	USD400	USD400	USD450

- (ii) Extension of the weighted average term of repayment from 3.4 to 4.3 years, resulting from:
- Partial payment of the eighteen-month Short-Term Trench of the Peso Credit Facility agreement.
- Extension of the remaining Short-Term Trench of the Peso Credit Facility, from 18 months to 5 years (now the "Medium-Term Trench").

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Obligations agreed upon under these agreements include, among other, compliance with a leverage ratio of maximum 4.5x until September 30, 2016, 4.x until September 30, 2018, and 3.x as of October 1, 2018 in the separate financial statements, and maximum 3.x in the consolidated financial statements. Neither the original credit facility agreement nor the amendments thereto require the granting of collaterals by the Company in favor of creditors.

#### US Dollar Credit Facility Agreement.

A US Dollar credit facility agreement was entered into with Citibank N.A. on July 29, 2015 granting a credit facility available in amount of USD 400,000,000, which was fully disbursed on August 20, 2015.

The bridge loan agreement was repaid and terminated on December 21, 2015, and instead a three-year syndicated credit facility agreement in US Dollars was entered into with Citigroup Global Markets INC., Banco Santander S.A., BNP Paribas Securities Corp., Credit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC., The Bank of Nova Scotia, and The Bank of Tokio-Mitsuibishi UFJ, LTD., with a three-year term, granting a credit facility available in amount of USD 450,000,000, which was fully disbursed. Citibank N.A. was appointed as general partner to the contract.

Obligations agreed upon under these agreements include, among other, compliance with a leverage ratio of maximum 4.5x until September 30, 2016, 4.x until September 30, 2018, and 3.x as of October 1, 2018 in the separate financial statements, and maximum 3.x in the consolidated financial statements. Neither the original credit facility agreement nor the amendments thereto require the granting of collaterals by the Company in favor of creditors.

#### Investments in Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição and Libertad S.A.

In compliance with the share purchase-sale agreements entered into with Casino Guichard Perrachon on July 29, 2015, the Company acquired 100% of Onper Investments 2015 S.L., which indirectly owns 18.76% of the capital investment and 49.97% of the voting rights of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição (CBD), a company with domicile in Brazil, in amount of USD 1,536 million and 100% of the shares of Libertad S.A., a company domiciled in Argentina, in amount of USD 292.655.077.

#### Request for arbitration filed by Morzan

On August 14, 2015, Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD and its controlling shareholder Wilkes were ordered by the International Court of Arbitration - ICA to jointly pay an indemnification to Morzan Empreendimentos e Participações Ltda. ("Morzan") on the grounds that both companies failed to comply with the terms of the purchase agreement executed by subsidiary Mandala Empreendimentos e Participações SA on June 8, 2009 (the "Agreement") for the acquisition of 86,962,965 nominative ordinary shares, with no par value, representing at that time 70.2421% of the total and voting capital of Globex Utilidades SA (currently Via Varejo SA).

On November 17, 2015, Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD filed a request before the Paris Appeal Court to demand suspension of the arbitration award. Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD has until April 2016 to submit the reasons supporting its request. On January 27, 2016, the International Court of Arbitration - ICA issued an addendum to its decision wherein (i) declared that the request filed by Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD and Wilkes is inadmissible; (ii) partially accepted the request filed by CBD and Wilkes to correct the estimation of fees and expenses payable to Morzan, with a reduction of USD\$225 thousand; and (iii) partially accepted the request filed by Morzan to correct the estimation of fees and expenses payable to Morzan, with an increase of USD\$30 thousand.

At December 31, 2015, the account payable has been recognized in amount of \$185,485, including interest estimated on the grounds of the decision by the ICA and legal fees.

#### Changes in administrative structure

On September 1, 2015, the Board appointed Mr. Carlos Mario Díez Gómez, who occupied the position of Retail Vice-President, as Chief Operating Officer of the Retail operation in Colombia; the creation of the International Business Vice-President position, to be occupied by Mr. José Gabriel Loaiza Herrera, who was formerly the Commercial and Supply Vice-President; and finally, appointed the following Vice-Presidents: Jacky Yanovich Mizrachi as Sales and Operations Vice-President and Carlos Ariel Gómez Gutierrez as Commercial Vice-President. Additionally, during the year, Martin Nova was appointed as Marketing Vice President and Camilo Gallego was appointed as Éxito Customer Service Vice President.



Action seeking protection of fundamental rights ("acción de tutela") arising from the investment in Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição and Libertad S.A.

Notice of the final decision under the appeal of the acción de tutela proceedings brought by a minority shareholder was served on December 10, 2015. The appeal court found that there was no violation of the fundamental rights of said shareholder.

#### **Investigation against Cnova**

As announced by Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD and its subsidiary Cnova N.V, on November 18, 2015 certain law firms opened an investigation on the grounds of inventory management practices. Other matters have been included in the investigation, related with accounting topics as announced to the market on January 12, 2016.

The effects of the investigation related to prior years represent 45% of the total effect registered in 2015; they have been assessed and defined as immaterial by the management of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD taking into consideration the effect on each item of the financial statements, as well as on the financial statements as a whole. The Management of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD reached such conclusion after analyzing quantitative and qualitative aspects of the subject matter.

In preparing the financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2015, Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD takes all information available into consideration and does not believe that the new information on the investigation by law firms shall have a significant effect or lead to a change in the adjustments booked.

In allocating the purchase price of the interest in Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD, the Group recognized in equity the amount of \$114,640 as an adjustment of the measurement period.

#### Merger of subsidiaries

#### a) Sé Supermercado Ltda.

The extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD held on December 22, 2015 approved the merger of subsidiary Sé Supermercados Ltda. into Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD, seeking to unify the activities and administration of such companies. This merger will result in important administrative, economic and financial benefits.

Since it is the merger of a globally consolidated subsidiary, there is no effect on the Group's consolidated financial statements.

#### b) Nova Holding

The extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD held on December 22, 2015 approved the merger of subsidiary Nova Holding into Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD, seeking to unify the activities and administration of such companies. This merger will result in important administrative, economic and financial benefits and in the optimization of the structure of the entrepreneurial Group.

Since it is the merger of a globally consolidated subsidiary, there is no effect on the Group's consolidated financial statements.

#### 2014

#### Cdiscount

During 2014, Almacenes Éxito contributed to the development of e-commerce in Colombia by launching to the Colombian market, jointly with Grupo Casino and as a complement of the websites www.exito.com and www.carulla.com, the site www.cdiscount.com, an e-commerce pure player focused on non-food products and on the development of the market place strategy, that enables customers to acquire online products offered by various suppliers.

Additionally, the parent and its partners Cdiscount Internacional and Cnova expanded the trademark Cdiscount to other countries in Latin America, such as Ecuador and Panama, opening to the public e-commerce sites under such trademark in said countries.

#### Super Inter

Because of the agreements entered into with Comercializadora Giraldo y Gómez y Cía. S.A. and after the endorsement of the Superintendence of Industry and Trade (SIC), the parent acquired 19 trade establishments and the power to operate another 31, for a five-year period, thus consolidating its leadership in the Valle del Cauca and Eje Cafetero regions. By means of Resolution No. 54416 of September 12, 2014, the Superintendence made four stores subject to the condition of being sold to a third party during the first quarter of 2015.

#### Incorporation of Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S.

With the intention of strengthening its logistics infrastructure and transport operation, the parent incorporated and linked Logistica, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S., to the Grupo Empresarial Éxito S.A. seeking to consolidate the presence of the Grupo Empresarial Éxito S.A. in more than 100 cities, improving its home delivery service promise, e-commerce and proximity formats as part of its omni-channel strategy.

#### Launching of Viva Villavicencio

With the expansion of the Sabana Shopping Mall in Villavicencio, and jointly with Grupo Argos, the Group opened to the public the Viva Villavicencio Shopping Mall, the largest trade project in the region, with 145 business premises, 131,000 sq. mts of construction, 51,000 sq. mts of commerce areas and 80,000 sq. mts of common areas and service areas. With this opening, the Company continues to consolidate its real estate business, accomplishing 10 shopping malls, 220,000 sq. mts of leasable space, more than 4,000 business premises and more than 700 domestic and international business partners.

#### Note 43. Events subsequent to the reporting period

#### Service of notice by Comissão de Valores Mobiliários do Brasil - CVM

On February 18, 2016, subsidiary Via Varejo was serviced notice by Comissão de Valores Mobiliários do Brasil - CVM, presenting the understanding of the Company Relation Department - SPE, regarding certain accounting entries related with corporate transactions at the level of Via Varejo in 2013; in addition, Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD received notice from CVM that shows the understanding of SEP regarding an accounting entry received by Via Varejo.

CVM notified its understanding, which differs from that of Via Varejo in 2013 regarding (a) the revaluation of the interest previously held in the sale of the interest of Nova PontoCom to Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD (Such transaction has no effect on the consolidated financial statements); and (b) the accounting treatment of the acquisition of control of Movéis Bartira, arising from the acquisition of an additional 75% interest. Regarding Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD, the CVM notified its understanding in relation with the above-mentioned subsection (b).

Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD and its subsidiary Via Varejo intend to file an appeal before the CVM requesting a suspensive effect in the terms of Deliberation CVM 463.

#### Cnova class action

In January 2016, certain shareholders of Cnova filed three class action lawsuits against Cnova, some of its officers and directors, and the subscribers of its initial public offer, on the grounds of infringement of the securities laws of the United States of America. Two cases were brought before the District Court of the United States of America, South District of New York, and other before the Supreme Court of the State of New York. The action before the courts of the State of New York was withdrawn from the District Court of the United States of America. Cnova has stated its belief that the allegations of the plaintiffs lack foundation, and intends to advocate vigorously for its rights.

Such claims undergo preliminary stages and as of the date of this report, the outcome cannot be reliably measured. Cnova has stated its belief that the allegations of the plaintiffs lack foundation, and intends to advocate vigorously for its rights, with the support of specialized American law firms. Neither Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD nor Vía Varejo are parties to such lawsuits.

### Comments to the consolidated financial statements 2015

Consolidated sales reached \$31.79 trillion in 2015 with an increase of 213.1% including the results as of September 1, 2015 of the operations of acquirees GPA in Brazil and Libertad in Argentina. Sales in Brazil represented 59%, Colombia 32%, Uruguay 7% and Argentina 2% of the consolidated result in 2015.

Grupo Éxito's mix of sales is mainly made of food, which provides a resilient balanced structure in a challenging macroeconomic environment. However, the non-food category penetration has a potential to boost sales once economic changes and adjustments are completed. The share of food in total sales reached 64% during 2015. Fresh food excelled in terms of sales growth and sales on the same square meters floor area, while electronic devices showed a negative trend.

Gross margin was 24.7% in 2015 compared to 25.1% in the same period of the preceding year. Such decrease is related to the effect of consolidation of the international operations recently acquired, the macroeconomic environment in Colombia and Brazil that mainly had an impact on non-food, and the Company's general price strategy for maintaining competitiveness.

Administration and sales expenses represented 20.2% of operating revenue in 2015. The increase in expenses reflected the effects of inflation in Brazil and Argentina, as well as the higher costs or raw materials, salaries, occupancy costs and utilities. However, Grupo Éxito continues focused on improving productivity to offset the increase in costs.

Recurring operating profit was 4.5% as a percentage of operating revenue in 2015, compared to 5.9% in 2014.

**Recurring EBITDA** increased 148.1% from \$814,614 million in 2014 to \$2,021,392 million in 2015 with a recurring EBITDA margin of 6.1% as a percentage of operating revenue. This result reflects a lower EBITDA margin from the Brazilian operations, as well as Company efforts to operate in an efficient manner in an increasingly competitive environment.

Non-recurring consolidated expenses include the effect of the tax on wealth of approximately \$70 billion in Colombia and Uruguay, costs related to M&A transactions in the region, Super Inter and Cafam transactions and the reduction of the organizational structure in Brazil.

In 2015, the net income attributable to Grupo Éxito increased 14.8% to \$573,495 million compared to \$499,431 million in 2014.



# Consolidated financial ratios

At December 31, 2015 and 2014 (amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

	2015	2014
1. LIQUIDITY RATIOS		
Current ratio	0.96	1.48
Solidity	1.44	3.40
Working capital / Operating revenue (%) (*)	-2.7	14.2
Inventory acid test	0.61	1.08
Suppliers / Inventories	1.79	1.73
2. INDEBTEDNESS (%)		
Total debt	69.5	29.4
Short-term debt concentration	68.6	94.0
Financial debt	21.9	1.8
Net financial expense / Recurring EBITDA (**)	20.0	-6.9
Operating profit / Financial results (**)	3.72	-10.95
Operating revenue / Total financial debt	2.94	51.80
3. RETURN (%) Profit margin before non-operating revenue and expenses	4.5	5.9
Net margin	1.7	4.9
Return on assets	3.6	4.5 6.4
Return on equity Recurring EBITDA margin	6.1	7.8
Gross profit / Operating revenue	24.7	25.1
Gross profit / Operating revenue	24.1	20.1
4. OPERATING TREND AND EFFICIENCY (TIMES)		
Total asset turnover	0.64	0.93
Inventory turnover	5.06	6.96
Supplier turnover	2.84	4.13
Gross profit hedge / Sales expenses	2.49	2.60
Fixed assets turnover	2.56	2.79
Administration expenses / Gross profit (%)	6.3	7.6
Sales expenses / Gross profit (%)	40.1	38.4
Salary expense / Operating revenue (%)	8.7	7.7

 $<sup>(\</sup>mbox{\ensuremath{^{*}}})$  A negative amount means current liability is higher than current expense.  $(\mbox{\ensuremath{^{**}}})$  A negative amount means financial revenue.

### Analysis of consolidated financial ratios

December 31, 2015 and 2014

#### Liquidity ratios:

Consolidated liquidity ratios behave similarly to those of the Holding, although with significantly higher values in assets and liabilities mainly arising from the acquisition of the Brazilian operation.

Thus, current ratio went from 1.48 in 2014 to 0.96 in 2015; solidity ratio dropped from 3.40 to 1.44 and the acid test goes from 1.08 to 0.61, whilst the supplier-inventory ratio improved slightly from 1.73 to 1.79. Debt ratio increased significantly from 29.38% to 69.54% based on higher liabilities in Brazil.

#### Debt ratios:

Debt ratios show an increase in current liabilities explained by higher debt in Colombia and the consolidation of the Brazilian operation debt.

Financial debt increased due to higher financial liabilities, from 1.79% to 21.90% because of higher assets, and the operating revenue-total financial liabilities ratio dropped from 51.8 to 2.94. Short-term consolidated debt concentration grew from 27.61% to 47.72%, explained by higher short-term liabilities in Brazil.

It is worth mentioning that by the end of 2014 before international acquisitions, Grupo Éxito had a surplus Net Financial Debt position.

#### Return ratios:

Generally, return ratios decreased, mainly because of the consolidation. During 2015, the Group generated a recurring EBITDA margin of 6.1%, 172 basis points lower than that of the preceding year; such behavior is explained by a positive result in Colombia, Argentina and Uruguay with margins over 7%, offset by the 5.1% Brazilian result. Results of our operation in Brazil received the negative impact of the macroeconomic context; however, such results evidence the efficiency of format diversification and the favorable position of the Company to face adverse conditions.

Return on equity dropped to 3.6% due to a lower net margin and lower asset turnover. Gross margin was less affected, by 37 basis points as compared to 2014.

#### **Operating Trend and Operating Efficiency Ratios:**

The Group decreased inventory turnover from 6.96 to 5.06, which represents a 19-day increase in the time inventories are held, and consequently the operating efficiency is lower. The Group takes an average of 127 days to pay suppliers, that is 40 days more than during 2014 and represents increased financing using accounts payable.

The above results in a cash conversion cycle of less than 56 days, which means that the Group releases cash in an efficient manner, which enables its short-term financing using suppliers' money and the recovery of the money tied up in inventories in a shorter term.

During 2015, hedging of sales expenses through gross profit decreased as compared to 2014, with a lower participation of administration expenses on profit.



# Consolidated operating information December 31, 2015

#### Number of stores, sales area

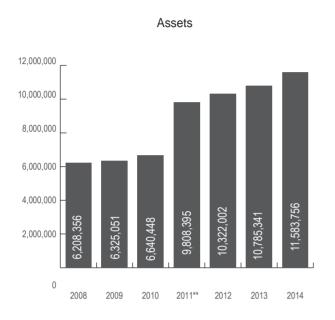
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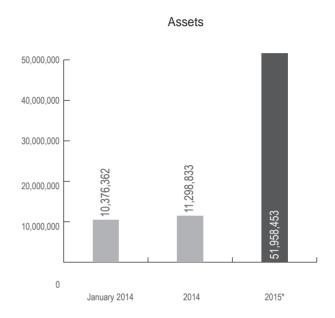
Banner	Stores	Sales area (m <sub>2</sub> )
Éxito	262	622,259
Carulla	100	83,438
Surtimax	153	82,454
Super Inter	58	58,301
Total Colombia	573	846,452
Brazil		
Pão de Açúcar	185	237,000
Extra hiper	137	803,000
Extra super	199	228,000
Convinience (Minimercado Extra and Minuto Pão de Açúcar)	311	79,000
Assaí	95	373,000
Pontofrio	254	166,000
Casas Bahía	760	934,000
Total Brazil	1,941	2,820,000
URUGUAY		
Devoto	34	34,810
Disco	29	31,450
Géant	2	16,439
Total Uruguay	65	82,699
ARGENTINA		
Libertad	15	112,634
Mini Libertad	12	1,875
Total Argentina	27	114,509

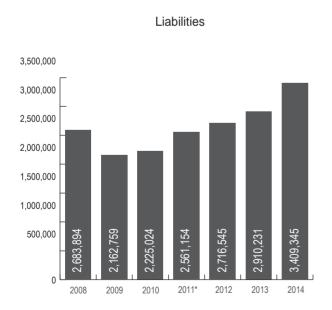
		OPENINGS		TOTAL STORES ORGANIC (			IIC CAPEX
2015	Stores	(m2)	%Var 15/14	Stores	m2 (in thousands	Billion \$	% Capex for expansion
Grupo Éxito	175	144,102		2,606	3,864	929	64%
Brazil	117	105,700	3.8%	1,941	2,820	344	57%
Colombia	47	35,735	4.3%	573	846	481	72%
Uruguay	11	2.667	3.3%	65	83	78	45%
Argentina	0			27	115	26	63%

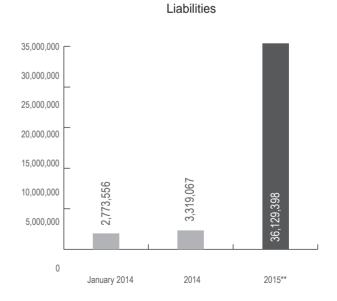
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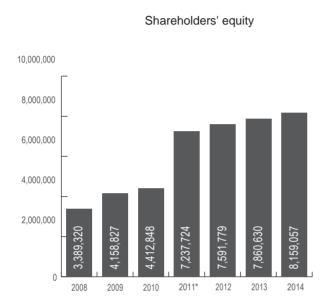


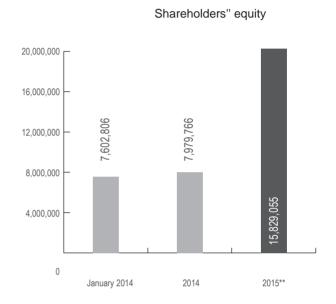
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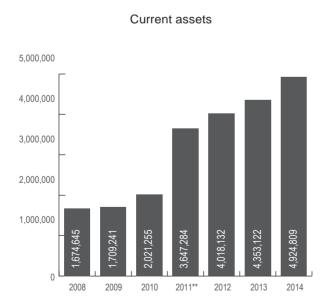
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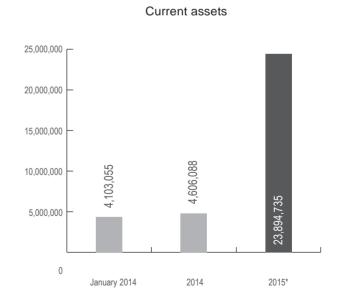


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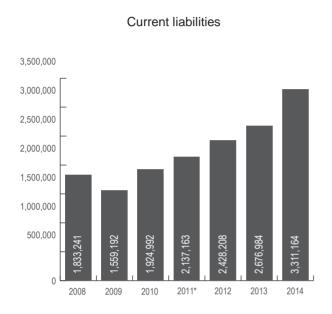


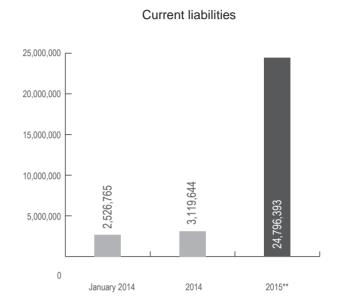


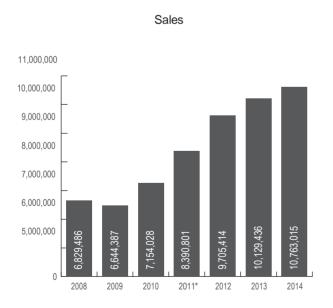
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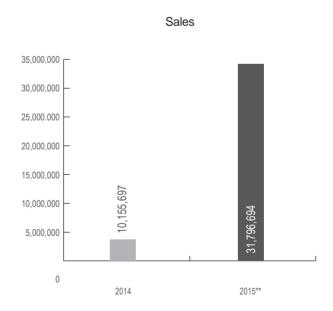
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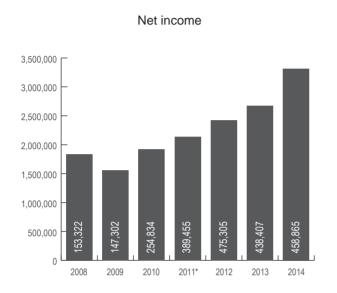


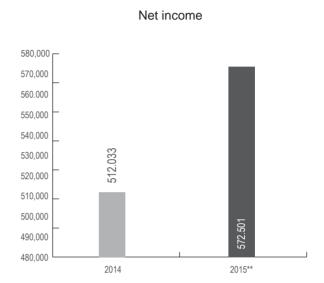
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To the Shareholders of Almacenes Éxito S.A.

I have audited the accompanying separate financial statements of Almacenes Éxito S.A., which comprise the separate statement of financial position as at December 31, 2015 and the corresponding statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended, and the summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

The Company's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the separate financial statements, in accordance with accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, as described in note 2 to the accompanying financial statements, of designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements whether due to fraud or error; and selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies and making estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these separate financial statements based on my audit. I obtained the necessary information to comply with my functions and performed my examinations in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in Colombia. These standards require that an audit complies with ethical requirements and is planned and performed to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit includes developing procedures to obtain the audit evidence that supports amounts and disclosures in the separate financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risk of material misstatements in the separate financial statements. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers the internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting principles used and the reasonableness of significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. I believe that my audits provide a reasonable basis for my audit opinion.

In my opinion, the accompanying separate financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Almacenes Éxito S.A. at December 31, 2015, the results of its operations and the cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, as stated in note 2 to the accompanying financial statements.



Further, based on the scope of my audit, I am not aware of situations indicating that the Company has not: 1) kept minute books, the shareholders' register and the accounting records in accordance with legal requirements and prescribed accounting technique; 2) carried out its operations in accordance with the by-laws and the decisions of the Shareholders' and Board of Directors' meetings, and the rules related with the integral social security system; 3) retained correspondence and the accounting vouchers; and, 4) adopted internal control measures for the maintenance and custody of the Company's assets and those of third parties held by it. Additionally, there is agreement between the accompanying financial statements and the accounting information included in the management report prepared by the Company's administration, which includes Management representation on the free circulation of invoices with endorsement issued by vendors or suppliers.

Sandra Milena Bujtrago E.

Statutory Auditor

Professional Card No. 67229-T

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Medellín, Colombia February 29, 2016



### Certification by the Company's Legal Representative and Head Accountant

То

THE GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF ALMACENES ÉXITO S.A. Envigado

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE AND CPA AT ALMACENES ÉXITO S.A., EACH OF US WITHIN HIS/HER AUTHORITY

#### DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That we have previously verified the assertions contained in the separate financial statements of the Company at December 31, 2015 and 2014, pursuant to the regulations, and that such have been fairly taken from the books.

Accordingly, we state the following regarding the mentioned financial statements:

- 1. The Company's assets and liabilities do exist and the operations recorded were carried out during the relevant year.
- 2. All economic events occurred have been recognized.
- 3. Assets represent rights acquired and liabilities represent obligations imposed on the Company.
- 4. All items have been recognized at proper values.
- 5. All economic events have been properly classified, described and disclosed.

The above, to comply with section 37 of Law 222 of 1995.

In witness whereof, we execute this certification on this 24th day of February 2016.

Carlos Mario Giraldo Moreno Legal Representative Claudia Patricia Álvarez Agudelo

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# Certification of separate financial statements Law 964 of 2005

To
THE GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF ALMACENES ÉXITO S.A.
Envigado

I, THE UNDERSIGNED LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OF ALMACENES ÉXITO S.A.

#### DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That the financial statements and the operations of the Company at December 31, 2015 and 2014 are free of defects, inaccuracies or misstatements that prevent users from gaining awareness of the true financial position thereof.

The above, to comply with section 46 of Law 964 of 2005.

In witness whereof, I execute this certification on this 24th day of February 2016.

Carlos Mario Giraldo Moreno Legal Representative

# Separate statements of financial position

At December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, and January 1, 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

Assets	Notes	2015	2014	January2014
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	6	810,647	2,706,110	2,515,697
Trade receivables and other accounts receivable	7	217,742	162,155	167,557
Prepaid expenses		18,008	25,883	16,394
Accounts receivable from related parties	8	71,887	54,374	18,244
Inventories	9	1,141,806	1,153,097	946,549
Tax assets	21	133,373	67,925	95,509
Other financial assets	10	67,027	20,344	1,486
Non-current assets held for trading	11	-	6,740	-
Total current assets		2,460,490	4,196,628	3,761,436
Non-current assets				
Property, plant and equipment, net	12	2,961,052	2,900,345	2,783,616
Investment property, net	13	96,442	98,535	122,426
Goodwill	14	1,453,077	1,056,621	876,729
Intangible assets other than goodwill, net	15	140,115	81,419	79,425
Investments accounted for using the equity method, net	16	7,900,651	2.320.681	2,155,566
Trade receivables and other accounts receivable	7	19,709	16,381	15,746
Prepaid expenses	•	12,996	12,918	14,977
Deferred tax assets	21	-	-	22,473
Other financial assets	10	138,177	147,063	138,371
Other non-financial assets	•	398	398	398
Total non-current assets		12,722,617	6,634,361	6,209,727
Total assets		15,183,107	10,830,989	9,971,163

Carlos Mario Giraldo Moreno Legal Representative (See attached certificate) Claudia Patricia Álvarez Agudelo

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# Separate statements of financial position

At December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, and January 1, 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

Liabilities and shareholders' equity	Notes	2015	2014	January2014
Current liabilities				
Financial liabilities	17	529.710	5.479	95.188
Employee benefit provisions	18	4,103	5.360	5,607
Other provisions	19	69,192	62,773	35.782
Trade payables and other accounts payable	20	2,505,973	2,437,895	1,875,067
Accounts payable to related parties	8	157,619	118,241	103,044
Tax Liabilities	21	108,086	78,289	160,785
Other financial liabilities	22	2,351	158,085	14,409
Other non-financial liabilities	23	84,803	71,194	64,433
Total current liabilities	20	3,461,837	2,937,316	2,354,315
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Non-current liabilities				
Financial liabilities	17	3,911,747	36,416	4,996
Employee benefit provisions	18	32,257	42,205	41,584
Other provisions	19	8,520	13,214	-
Trade payables and other accounts payable	20	-	573	488
Deferred tax liabilities	21	190,776	44,670	-
Other financial liabilities	22	-	-	137,699
Other non-financial liabilities	23	49,488	51,588	53,688
Total non-current liabilities		4,192,788	188,666	238,455
Total liabilities		7,654,625	3,125,982	2,592,770
Shareholders' equity, see attached statement	24and25	7,528,482	7,705,007	7,378,393
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity		15,183,107	10,830,989	9,971,163

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of the separate financial statements.

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# Separate statements of income

For the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

	Notes	2015	2014
Continuing operations			
Revenue from ordinary activities	26	10,539,297	9,758,680
Cost of sales	27	(7,996,657)	(7,394,406)
Gross profit		2,542,640	2,364,274
Distribution expenses	28	(1,024,036)	(931,213)
Administration and sales expenses	28	(178,175)	(169,233)
Employee benefit expenses		(785,763)	(705,641)
Other operating revenue	29	44,702	13,987
Other operating expenses	29	(121,973)	(23,108)
Other profits, net	29	58,544	6,467
Profit from operating activities		535,939	555,533
Financial revenue	30	916,625	188,633
Financial expenses	30	(793,402)	(148,497)
Share of profits in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures that are accounted for using the equity method		144,415	70,007
Profit before income tax from continuing operations		803,577	665,676
Tax expense	21	(230,082)	(166,246)
Net period profit from continuing operations		573,495	499,430
Profit per share (*)			
Basic profit per share (*):			
Basic profit per share from continuing operations	31	1,281.26	1,115.79
Diluted profit per share (*):			
Diluted profit per share from continuing operations	31	1,281.26	1,115.79

<sup>(\*)</sup> Amounts expressed in Colombian pesos.

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### Separate statements of comprehensive income

For the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

	Notes	2015	2014
Net period profit		573,495	499,430
Other comprehensive income for the period			
Components of other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified to period results, net of taxes			
Loss from investments in equity instruments	25.1	-	(2,677)
Profit from new measurement of defined benefit plans	25.1	835	(135)
Total other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified to period results, net of taxes		835	(2,812)
Components of other comprehensive income that will be reclassified to period results, net of taxes			
(Loss) gain from translation exchange differences	25.1	(448,498)	41,776
Grain from investment hedging in foreign businesses	25.1	169	-
Share of other comprehensive income of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method that will be reclassified to period results	25.1	(3,972)	27,498
Total other comprehensive income that will be reclassified to period results, net of taxes		(452,301)	69,274
Total other comprehensive income	25.1	(451,466)	66,462
Total comprehensive income		122,029	565,892
Profit per share (*)			
Basic profit per share (*):			
Basic profit per share from continuing operations	31	272.63	1,264.27
Diluted profit per share (*):			
Diluted profit per share from continuing operations	31	272.63	1,264.27

<sup>(\*)</sup> Amounts expressed in Colombian pesos.

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## Separate statements of cash flows

For the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

	2015	2014
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net period profit	573,495	499,430
Period profit reconciliation adjustment		
Income tax	230,082	166,246
Financial costs	117,789	20,970
Financial revenue	(39,642)	(71,792)
Decrease (increase) in inventories	11,291	(206,549)
(Increase) decrease in trade receivables	(561)	1,795
Increase in other accounts receivable from operating activities	(55,147)	(45,470)
Increase in trade receivables	3,305	442,571
Increase in other accounts payable from operating activities	170,180	46,494
Depreciation and amortization of fixed assets and intangible assets	209,442	192,763
Provisions	(13,520)	42,652
(Gain) loss from net unrealized exchange difference	(146,533)	10,888
Gain from reappraisal at fair value	(29,681)	-
Undistributed profit from the application of the equity method	(144,416)	(70,007)
Other adjustment from items other than cash	5,727	8,184
Gain from the disposition of non-current assets	(78,153)	(20,635)
Total period profit reconciliation adjustment	240,163	518,110
Net cash flows from operating activities	813,658	1,017,540
Income tax paid	(204,619)	(178,043)
Net cash flows from operating activities	609,039	839,497
Net cash flows used in investment activities		
Cash flows used to gain control of subsidiaries or other businesses	(5,553,759)	(159,130)
Revenue from the sale of equity instruments	<u>-</u>	17,000
Acquisition of equity instruments	_	(17,629)
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment	45,878	50,727
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(480,122)	(207,510)
Proceeds from the sale of intangible assets	97,499	4,894
Purchase of intangible assets	(440,585)	(99,504)
Dividends received	123,036	33,512
Interest received	39,181	71,634
Other cash received	_	1,375
Net cash flows used in investment activities	(6,168,872)	(304,631)



## Separate statements of cash flows

For the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

	2015	2014
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities		
Loans received	4,944,363	-
Repayment of financial liabilities	(924,652)	(95,122)
Repayment of finance lease liabilities	(956)	(2,108)
Dividends paid	(254,297)	(237,558)
Interest paid	(98,383)	(20,671)
Net cash flows from (used in) financing activities	3,666,075	(355,459)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents, before the effect of changes in exchange rates	(1,893,758)	179,407
Effects of the variation in the exchange rate on cash and cash equivalents	(1,705)	11,006
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(1,895,463)	190,413
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of period	2,706,110	2,515,697
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of period	810,647	2,706,110

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## Separate statements of changes in shareholders' equity

At December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, and January 1, 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

		Other reserves										
	Issued share capital	Premium on the issue of shares	Own shares repurchased	Legal reserve	Occasional reserve	Reacquisition of shares	Future dividends	Other accumulated comprehensive income	Total	Retained earnings	Other equity components	Total Shareholders' equity
Balance at January 1, 2014	4,482	4,843,466	(2,734)	7,857	988,567	22,000	1,419	(2,976)	1,016,867	1,516,312	-	7,378,393
Cash dividend declared	-	-	-	-	(42,720)	-	-	-	(42,720)	(194,958)	-	(237,678)
Net income for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	499,430	-	499,430
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66,462	66,462	-	-	66,462
Appropriation for reserves	-	-	-	-	243,449	-	-	-	243,449	(243,449)	-	-
Decrease from changes in interests in subsidiaries that do not result in loss of control	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(588)	(1,012)	(1,600)
Balance at December 31, 2014	4,482	4,843,466	(2,734)	7,857	1,189,296	22,000	1,419	63,486	1,284,058	1,576,747	(1,012)	7,705,007

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Balance at December 31 2014	4,482	4,843,466	(2,734)	7,857	1,189,296	22,000	1,419	63,486	1,284,058	1,576,747	(1,012)	7,705,007
Cash dividend declared	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(260,022)	-	(260,022)
Net income for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	573,495	-	573,495
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-		(451,466)	(451,466)	-	-	(451,466)
Appropriation for reserves	-	-	-	-	168,844	-	30,000	-	198,844	(198,844)	-	-
Increase from business combinations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,677	2,677	(2,119)	-	558
(Decrease) from changes in interests in												
subsidiaries that do not result in loss of	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	(40,004)	(39,985)
control												
Increase from share-based payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	895	-	895
Balance at December 31, 2015	4,482	4,843,466	(2,734)	7,857	1,358,140	22,000	31,419	(385,303)	1,034,113	1,690,171	(41,016)	7,528,482

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## Almacenes Éxito S.A.

## Notes to the separate financial statements

At December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, and January 1, 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos, except those stated in a different currency)

## Note 1. General information

Almacenes Éxito S.A. was incorporated pursuant to Colombian laws on March 24, 1950; its main place of business is at carrera 48 No. 32B Sur - 139, Municipality of Envigado in the department of Antioquia. The life span of the Company goes to December 31, 2050.

Almacenes Éxito S.A. is listed on the Colombian Stock Exchange (BVC) since 1994. The Company is under the surveillance of the Colombian Financial Superintendence.

The Company's Board of Directors authorized the issuance of the financial statements for the periods ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, as reflected in the Minutes of such corporate body dated February 24, 2016.

Its main corporate purpose is:

- Acquire, store, transform and, in general, distribute and, generally, sell under any trading figure, including funding thereof, all kinds of goods and products, produced either locally or abroad, on a wholesale or retail basis, physically or online.
- Provide supplementary services, namely grant credit facilities for the acquisition of goods, grant insurance coverage, carry out money transfers and remittances, provide mobile phone services, trade tourist package trips and tickets, repair and maintain furnishings, complete paperwork.
- Give or receive in lease trade premises, receive or give in lease or under occupancy, spaces or points of sale or commerce within its trade establishments intended for the exploitation of businesses of distribution of goods or products, and the provision of ancillary services.
- Incorporate, fund or promote with other individuals or legal entities, enterprises or businesses intended for the manufacturing of objects, goods, articles or the provision of services related with the exploitation of trade establishments.
- Acquire property, build commercial premises intended for establishing stores, malls or other locations suitable for the distribution of goods, without prejudice to the possibility of disposing of entire floors or commercial premises, give them in lease or use them in any convenient manner with a rational exploitation of land approach, as well as invest in property, promote and develop all kinds of real estate projects.
- Invest resources to acquire shares, bonds, trade papers and other securities of free movement in the market to take advantage of tax incentives
  established by law, as well as make temporary investments in highly liquid securities with a purpose of short-term productive exploitation; enter into firm
  factoring agreements using its own resources; encumber its chattels or property and enter into financial transactions that enable it to acquire funds or
  other assets
- In the capacity as wholesaler and retailer, distribute oil-based liquid fuels, through automotive service stations, alcohols, biofuels, natural gas for vehicles and any other fuels used in the automotive, industrial, fluvial, maritime and air transport sectors, of all kinds.

The Company's ultimate controlling entity is Casino Guichard Perrachon (France). The control situation has been registered with the Aburrá Sur Chamber of Commerce. At December 31, 2015, the controlling entity had a 54.77% interest in the share capital of the Company.

The Parent Company, Almacenes Éxito S.A., registered before the Aburrá Sur Chamber of Commerce a situation of entrepreneurial Group regarding its subsidiaries.

#### Note 2. Basis for preparation

The financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 have been prepared in accordance with accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as a translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single

Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496, without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained.

Regulatory Decrees 2420 and 2496 of 2015 rule the preparation of financial statements based on International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS/IAS), Interpretations (IFRIC and SIC) and Conceptual Framework issued until December 31, 2014, published by the International Accounting Standards Board - IASB in 2015. Application of such regulatory framework is mandatory in Colombia as from January 1, 2017, regardless that the conceptual framework for financial information is mandatory as from January 1, 2016; early application of both regulations is permitted. The Company has decided for the early application of the regulation.

## Explicit and unreserved statement.

Up to the year ended December 31, 2014, the Company prepared its financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Colombia (GAAP). The financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2015 are the first financial statements prepared by the Company in accordance with accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as an official translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496, without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained.

An additional statement of financial position at January 1, 2014 has been included in these financial statements, because of the application of the first-time adoption standard, IFRS 1, and in compliance with the regulations regarding the issue of the first financial statements under accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as an official translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496 without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained.

It must be noted that financial statements presented to the General Meeting of Shareholders and regulators and stakeholders, for the year ended December 31, 2014, were prepared by the Parent under accounting principles generally accepted in Colombia pursuant to the law, the rules and instructions from the Colombian Financial Superintendence, the Superintendence of Companies and other legal regulations; such principles may differ in certain aspects from those enforced by other Government controlling bodies and other international accounting standards.

The financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014 have been prepared in accordance with accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as an official translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496, without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained.

## Financial statements herein presented

These Company's separate financial statements include the statements of financial position and statements of changes in shareholders' equity at December 31, 2015, December 31, 2014 and January 1, 2014 (transition date), as well as the statements of comprehensive income and the statements of cash flows for the years ended on December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

## Statement of accountability

Company's management are responsible for the information contained in these financial statements. Preparing such financial statements pursuant to accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as an official translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 12

2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496, and without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained, requires management's judgement to apply the accounting policies.

## Estimates and accounting judgement

The Company's estimations to quantify some of the assets, liabilities, revenue, expenses and commitments therein contained have been used to prepare the attached financial statements. Such estimations refer to:

- The hypotheses used to estimate the fair value of financial instruments,
- The valuation of financial assets to identify actual impairment losses,
- The useful lives of property, plant and equipment and of intangible assets,
- Variables used to assess and determine the impairment of non-financial assets.
- Actuarial assumptions used to estimate retirement benefits and long-term employee benefits liability, such as inflation rate, death rate, discount rate, and the possibility of future salary increases,
- The probability of occurrence and the value of liabilities that serve as a basis to recognize provisions related to lawsuits and business reorganizations,
- The assumptions used to recognize liabilities arising from the customer loyalty program,
- The probability of making future profits to recognize deferred tax assets,
- The valuation technique applied to determine the fair values of elements in business combinations.

Such estimations are based on the best information available regarding the facts analyzed as of the date of preparation of the attached financial statements, which may give rise to future changes by virtue of potential situations that may occur and would result in prospective recognition thereof; this situation would be treated as a change in accounting estimations in future financial statements.

## Distinction between current and non-current items

The Company presents its current and non-current assets, as well as its current and non-current liabilities, as separate categories in its statement of financial position. For this purpose, current assets are understood as those amounts that will be realized or will become available in a term not to exceed one year, and current liabilities are those amounts that will be enforceable or payable also in a term not to exceed one year.

## Functional currency and transactions in foreign currency

The separate financial statements are presented in Colombian pesos, which is the Company's functional currency. The amounts shown have been adjusted to millions of Colombian pesos.

Transactions in foreign currency are those denominated in a currency other than the functional currency, and are translated to the functional currency at the market representative exchange rate. During the year, the exchange differences arising from the translation of such transactions, between the historical exchange rate when recorded and the exchange rate in force on the date of collection or payment, are accounted for as exchange gains or losses and shown as part of the net financial result in the statement of income.

Monetary balances on the closing date expressed in a currency other than the Colombian peso, are updated using the exchange rate in force at period closing; exchange differences arising from such valuation are recognized in the statement of income as part of the net financial result.

Company's functional currencies is not part of a highly inflationary economy, and consequently the financial statements are not adjusted for inflation.

Non-monetary items are not translated at the closing exchange rate but are measured at historical cost (at the exchange rates in force on the date of each transaction), except for non-monetary items measured at fair value such as forwards and swaps, which are translated using the exchange rates in force on the date of valuation of their fair value.

## Accounting accrual basis

The separate financial statements have been prepared on the accounting accrual basis, except for information on cash flows.

#### Materiality

Economic events are recognized and presented in accordance with materiality thereof. An economic event is material wherever awareness or unawareness thereof, given its nature or value and considering the circumstances, may have a significant impact on the economic decisions to be made by the users of the information.

When preparing the financial statements, including the notes thereto, the materiality for presentation purposes was defined on a 5% basis applied to current and non-current assets, current and non-current liabilities, shareholders' equity, period results and to each individual account at a general ledger level for the reporting period.

## Offsetting of balances and transactions

Assets and liabilities are offset and reported net in the financial statements, if and only if there is an enforceable legal right on the closing date that makes it mandatory to receive or pay recognized amounts at its net value, and wherever there is an intention to offset on a net basis towards realizing assets and settling liabilities simultaneously.

## Classification as liability or equity

Debt and equity instruments are classified as financial liabilities or as equity, following the substance of the relevant legal agreement.

## Measurement of the fair value

The fair value is the price to be received upon the sale of an asset, or paid out upon transferring a liability under a transaction carried out by market participants on the date of measurement.

Measurements of the fair value are carried out using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the importance of inputs used in determining measurements:

- Based on (unadjusted) prices quoted in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1).
- Based on valuation models commonly applied by market participants using variables other than prices quoted, directly or indirectly perceptible for assets or liabilities (level 2).
- Based on the Company's own valuation models applying non-perceptible estimated variables for assets or liabilities (level 3).

## Note 3. Significant accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared using the accounting policies, measurements and bases described below, pursuant to accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, set forth by Law 1314 of 2009 as an official translation of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) 14

authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496 and without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained.

The accounting policies have been applied as from January 1, 2014, date of preparation of the Opening Statement of Financial Position, until December 31, 2015, date of preparation of the first financial statements under the standards mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

#### Investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint arrangements

Subsidiaries are entities under Company's control.

An associate is an entity over which the parent is in a position of exercising significant influence, but not control or joint control, through the power of participating in the decisions on the operating and financial policies thereof.

In general, significant influence is alleged in those cases where the Company has an ownership interest higher than 20%, even though such influence, as well as the control, must be assessed.

A joint arrangement is an agreement by means of which two or more parties maintain a joint control. Joint arrangements can be joint business or joint ventures. There is joint control only when decisions on significant activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control. Acquisitions of such arrangements are recorded using the principles applicable to business combinations set forth in IFRS 3.

A joint venture is a joint agreement by which the parties having joint control over the arrangement are entitled to the net assets of the arrangement.

A joint operation is a joint arrangement by means of which the parties having joint control over the arrangement are entitled to the assets and liability-related obligations associated with the arrangement.

Investments in subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures are recognized using the equity method.

Under the **equity method**, upon initial recognition, the investment in subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures is recorded at cost and subsequently the book value is increased or decreased to recognize the Company's participation in the invested company's comprehensive results, which will be recognized in period results or in other comprehensive results, as the case may be. Profit distributions or dividends received from the invested company are deducted from the book value of the investment.

Wherever the Company's share of the losses of a subsidiary, associate or joint venture equals to or exceeds its interest therein, the Company ceases to recognize its share of further losses. Once the Company's interest comes to zero, a provision is recognized, only in as much as the Company has incurred legal or implicit liabilities.

Unrealized gains or losses from transactions between the Company and subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures are eliminated in the proportion of the Company's interest in such entities upon application of the equity method.

Once the equity method has been applied, the Company decides whether there is need to recognize impairment losses related with its interest in the invested company.

Transactions involving a significant loss of influence over the associate or joint venture are booked recognizing any ownership interest retained at its fair value, and the gain or loss arising from the transaction is recognized in period results, including the relevant items of other comprehensive income.

Regarding transactions not involving a significant loss of control over subsidiaries or a significant loss of influence over associates or joint ventures, the equity method continues being applied and the portion of the gain or loss recognized in other comprehensive income relevant to the decrease in the ownership interest is reclassified to income.

## Related parties

All transfers of resources, services and obligations between the Company and its related parties are deemed related party transaction.

The Company has defined related parties: its parent; its subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures; those entities having joint control or significant influence over the Company; key senior management, including Board directors, CEOs and senior officers, with the capacity of directing, planning and controlling Company activities; companies over which key senior management can exercise control or joint control; and the immediate family of the key senior management with ability to influence the Company.

No transaction contains special terms and conditions; transactions carried out are similar to those carried out with third parties, and do not involve market price differences for similar transactions; sales and purchases are conducted under conditions that are equivalent to those existing for transactions with independent parties.

## Business combinations and goodwill

Business combinations are booked using the acquisition method; this involves the identification of the acquirer, the definition of the acquisition date, the recognition and measurement of identifiable assets acquired, liabilities taken on and the recognition and measurement of goodwill.

If at the closing of the accounting period during which a business combination takes place the initial booking is incomplete, the Company will inform in its financial statements the provisional amounts of assets and liabilities which booking is incomplete, and within 12 months of the measurement period, the Company will retroactively adjust such provisional amounts recognized to reflect the new information obtained from the *Purchase Price Allocation (PPA)* survey.

The measurement period will end as soon as the Company has received information on the purchase price allocation survey or concludes that no further information can be obtained, but in any event one year after the acquisition date at the latest.

The consideration transferred in a business combination is measured at its fair value, which is the aggregate of the fair values of the assets transferred by the acquirer, the liabilities taken on by the acquirer facing the former owners of the acquiree and the ownership interests in the equity issued by the acquirer.

Any contingent consideration is included in the consideration transferred at its fair value on the date of acquisition. Subsequent changes in the fair value of the contingent consideration, arising from events and circumstances existing on the date of acquisition, are booked by adjusting the goodwill if occurring during the measurement period, or directly to period results if arising after the measurement period, unless the liability is settled using variable-income instruments, in which event the contingent consideration is not remeasured.

The Company recognizes acquired identifiable assets and liabilities taken from a business combination, regardless of whether they have been recognized in the financial statements of the business acquired prior to the acquisition. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities taken on are booked on the date of acquisition at fair values. The excess of the consideration transferred and the fair value of identifiable assets acquired (including intangible assets not previously recognized) and liabilities taken on (including contingent liabilities) are recognized as goodwill.

In the event of a business combination achieved in stages, the previous ownership interest in the acquiree is remeasured at its fair value on the date of acquisition of control. The difference between the fair value and the book value of such ownership interest is directly taken to period results.

Disbursements related to a business combination, other than those related to the issue of debt, are booked as expenses in the periods they are incurred.

On the date of acquisition, goodwill is measured at fair value and subsequently monitored at the level of the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units benefited from the business combination. Goodwill is not amortized, and is subject to impairment testing within one year or before, should there be indications of impairment. Impairment losses applied to goodwill are booked to period results and the effect thereof is not reverted.

The method applied by the Company to test for impairment is described in the asset impairment policy. Negative goodwill arising from a business combination

is directly recognized to period results, upon recognition and measurement of identifiable assets, liabilities taken on and potential contingencies.

Put options granted to the holders of non-controlling ownership interests

The Company recognizes put option agreements entered into with the holders of non-controlling ownership interests in subsidiaries pursuant to IAS 32

"Financial Instruments: Presentation". Liabilities arising from these agreements, related to subsidiaries consolidated under the global integration method, are

recognized as financial liabilities at its fair value.

Intangible assets

They refer to non-monetary assets, without physical substance, controlled by the Company because of past events and from which future economic benefit

may be expected.

An intangible asset is recognized as such wherever the item is identifiable, severable and will bring future economic benefit. It is identifiable wherever the

asset is severable or arises from rights.

Intangible assets acquired under a business combination are recognized as goodwill wherever they do not meet these criteria.

Intangible assets acquired independently are initially recognized at cost, and intangible assets acquired under a business combination are recognized at fair

value.

Internally generated brands are not recognized in the statement of financial position.

The cost of intangible assets includes acquisition cost, import duties, indirect not-recoverable taxes and costs directly incurred to bring the asset to the place

and use conditions foreseen by Company management, after trade discounts and rebates, if any.

Intangible assets having indefinite useful lives are not amortized, but are subject to impairment testing, on an annual basis or wherever there is indication that

value thereof has been impaired.

Intangible assets having a defined useful life are amortized using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives. The most significant useful lives

are:

Acquired software

Between 3 and 5 years

ERP-like acquired software

Between 5 and 8 years

Intangible assets are subsequently measured using the cost model and amortization as a function of the estimated useful lives and impairment losses are

deducted from the amount initially recognized. The effects of amortization and potential impairment are taken to income for the period, unless amortization

has been booked as a higher value in the construction of a new asset.

An intangible asset is derecognized upon its sale or wherever no future economic benefit is expected from the use or disposition thereof. The gain or loss

from derecognition of an asset is estimated as the difference between the net proceeds of sale and the book value of the asset.

Such effect is recognized in period results.

Residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed at the closing of each annual period and changes, if any, are applied prospectively.

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#### Research and development costs

Research costs are recognized as expenses as they are incurred. Disbursements for development of individual projects are recognized as intangible assets wherever the Company is in the capacity of demonstrating:

- The technical feasibility of completing the intangible asset to have it available for use or sale;
- Its intention of completing the asset and its ability to use or sell the asset;
- The ability to use or sell the intangible asset;
- How the asset will generate future economic benefit;
- The availability of resources to complete the asset; and
- The ability to accurately measure the disbursement during development.

Development costs not complying with these criteria for capitalization are taken to period results. Development costs recognized as intangible assets are subsequently measured using the cost model.

#### Property, plant and equipment

The name property, plant and equipment is given to all of Company's tangible assets held for use in production or in the provision of goods and services, or for administration purposes, and which are further expected to be used over one period, that is to say, more than one year, and that meet the following conditions:

- It is probable that the Company will obtain future economic benefit from the asset;
- The cost may be accurately measured;
- The Company has taken the risks and benefits arising from the use or possession of the asset, and
- They are assets which individual acquisition cost exceeds 50 UVT (Tax-Value Units), except for those assets defined by Company management as related to the core business purpose and there is an interest in controlling them given that the Company procures them frequently and in significant amounts.

Property, plant and equipment are initially measured at cost; subsequently they are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment loss.

The cost of property, plant and equipment elements includes acquisition cost, import duties, non-recoverable indirect taxes, future dismantling costs, if any, costs from loans directly attributable to the acquisition of a suitable asset and the costs individually attributable to place an asset on the site and usage conditions foreseen by Company management, net of trade discounts and rebates.

Costs incurred for expansion, modernization, improvements that increase productivity, capacity or efficiency, or an increase in the useful lives thereof, are carried as a higher value of the asset. Maintenance and repair costs from which no future benefit is foreseen are taken to period results.

Land and buildings are deemed individual assets, wherever they are significant and physical separation is feasible, even if they have been jointly acquired.

Constructions in progress are transferred to operating assets upon completion of the construction or commencement of operation, and depreciated as of that moment.

The useful life of land is unlimited and consequently it is not depreciated. All other items of property, plant and equipment are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, considering nil residual value. The groups of property, plant and equipment and relevant useful lives are as follows:

Low-value assets3 yearsComputers5 yearsVehicles5 years

Machinery and equipment

Between 10 and 20 years

Furniture and fixtures

Between 10 and 12 years

Other transportation equipment

Between 5 and 20 years

Surveillance team armament 10 years

Buildings Between 40 and 50 years

Improvements to third party properties 40 years or the term of the lease agreement or the remaining of the lease

term (\*), whichever is less.

(\*) Urban improvements related to the construction or delivery of environmental resources and/or related to the visual or architectural improvement of the zone affected by the construction or work under the responsibility of the Company, are recognized in period results.

The Company estimates depreciation by components, which means applying individual depreciation to the components of an asset with useful lives that are different from the asset as a whole and has a material cost in relation to the entire fixed asset. Cost is deemed material if the component exceeds 50% of the total asset value, or if it can be individually identified, based on an individual cost of the component of 32 SMMLV (Minimum legal monthly wages in force - \$20 base for 2015).

Residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed at the closing of each annual period and changes, if any, are applied prospectively.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognized upon its sale or wherever no future economic benefit is expected from the use or disposition thereof. The gain or loss from derecognition of an asset is estimated as the difference between the net proceeds of sale and the book value of the asset. Such effect is recognized in period results.

## Investment property

Are properties held to obtain revenue or goodwill and not for use in the production or supply of goods or services, or for administrative use or sale in the normal course of business. This category includes the shopping malls owned by the Company.

Investment properties are initially measured at cost, including transaction costs. Following initial recognition, they are valued at historic cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment loss.

Investment properties are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, regardless their residual value. The useful life estimated to depreciate buildings classified as investment property is from 40 to 50 years.

Transfers are made from investment properties to other assets and from other assets to investment properties only wherever there is a change in the use of the asset. For transfers from investment properties to property, plant and equipment, the cost taken into consideration for subsequent accounting is the book value on the date the use is changed. If a property, plant and equipment item would become investment property, it will be recorded at book value on the date it changes.

Situations that can lead to transfer are:

- The Company occupies an asset classified as investment property; in this event, the asset is reclassified to property, plant and equipment,
- The Company starts a development on investment property or property, plant and equipment towards its sale, provided there is a significant advance in the development of tangible assets or in the project to be sold as a whole. In these events, the asset is reclassified to inventory.
- The Company enters into an operating lease agreement with a third party on a property, plant and equipment item. In this event, the asset is reclassified to investment property.

An investment property is derecognized upon its sale or wherever no future economic benefit is expected from the use or disposition thereof.

The gain or loss from derecognition of investment properties is estimated as the difference between the net proceeds of sale and the book value of the asset. The effect is taken to income during the period where the asset was derecognized.

The Group updates the fair values of investment property on an annual basis for the purposes of disclosure in the financial statements.

## Non-current assets held for trading and discontinued operations

Non-current assets and the groups of assets for disposal are classified as held for trading if their book value will be recovered via a sale instead of continued use thereof and do not meet the conditions to be classified as real estate inventory. Such condition is met wherever an asset or group of assets are available for immediate sale, under current condition, and the sale is highly probable to occur. In order for the sale be highly probable, Company management must be committed to a plan to sell the asset (or group for disposition) and the sale is expected within the year following the classification date.

Non-current assets and groups of assets for disposition are valued at the lower of book value or fair value, less costs of sale, and are not depreciated or amortized as from the date they are classified as held for trading. Such assets or groups of assets are shown under current assets.

The revenue, costs and expenses from a discontinued operation are presented separately from those from continued activities, in one single line item after income tax, in the statement of income for the current period and the comparative period for the preceding year, even if the Company retains a non-controlling interest in the discontinued operation after the sale. An operation is deemed discontinued wherever it meets the definition of non-current assets held for trading and represents a business line or geographical area of operations that are significant to the Company, or a subsidiary acquired with trading purposes. It is part of a single coordinated plan to dispose of a business line or a geographical area of the operation that is significant and that may be deemed separate.

#### Lease agreements

Lease agreements are classified as finance lease and operating lease. Lease agreements that transfer substantially all risks and benefits arising from the title to the assets are classified as finance lease; otherwise, they are classified as operating lease. Some of the criteria to be taken into consideration to reach conclusion of whether substantial risks and benefits have been transferred include (i) where the term of the lease is equal to or higher than 75% of the economic life of the asset and/or (ii) where the present value of minimum payments under the lease agreement is equal to or higher than 90% of the fair value of the asset.

Contingent instalments of the lease are estimated based on the cause that results in the instalment variance for reasons other than the passage of time.

## Finance leases

## 1. If the Company acts as the lessee

Wherever the Company acts as the lessee of an asset under finance lease, the leased asset is shown in the statement of financial position as an asset, according to the nature of the asset pursuant to the lease agreement, and at the same time, a liability in the same value is recorded in the statement of financial position, estimated as the lower of the fair value of the leased asset or the present value of minimum instalments payable to the lessor, plus, as applicable, the price of the purchase option.

Such assets are depreciated or amortized with the same criteria applied to the property, plant and equipment elements, or intangible assets for own use, regarding useful life, provided the property of the asset is transferred to the Company at the end of the contract, via purchase option or else; otherwise, the useful life is set as the term of the agreement or the useful life of the property, plant and equipment element, whichever is less. Lease instalments are split between interest and the decrease of the principal. Financial expenses are recognized in the statement of income for the period.

## 2. If the Company acts as the lessor

Wherever the Company acts as the lessor of an asset under finance lease, the leased asset is not shown as property, plant and equipment given that the risks associated to the property have been transferred to the lessee; instead, a financial asset is recognized for the present value of the minimum lease instalments receivable plus the unsecured residual value.

Lease instalments received are split between interest and the decrease of the principal. Interest-related financial revenue is recognized in the statement of income for the period.

## Operating leases

Are lease agreements under which title to the leased asset and all substantial risks and benefits attached thereto remain with the lessor. The Company has assets received and delivered under operating lease agreements.

Payments or collections from operating lease are recognized as expenses or revenue in the statement of income on a linear basis over the term of the lease agreement.

Contingent payments are recognized during the period they are incurred.

Wherever the Company makes or receives advance payments because of lease agreements, related to the usage of assets, such payments are booked as expenses paid in advance and collections are booked as revenue received in advance, and both are amortized over the term of the lease agreement.

#### Loan costs

Loan costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or manufacturing of a qualifying asset, in other words an asset that necessarily takes a substantial period (generally more than six months) to become ready for its intended use or sale, are capitalized as part of the cost of the respective assets. All other loan costs are accounted for as expenses during the period they are incurred. Loan costs are made of interest and other costs incurred for securing the loan.

## Impairment of non-financial assets

At the closing of each annual period, the Company assesses whether there is indication that the value of an asset may be impaired. Assets with a defined useful life are subject to impairment testing, provided there is objective evidence that, as result of one or more events subsequent to initial recognition, the book value thereof cannot be recovered, in full or in part.

Intangible assets with an indefinite useful life not subject to amortization are tested for impairment at the closing of each year, except for those intangible assets attached to a business combination still undergoing a measuring period where the purchase price allocation (PPA) has not been completed.

Impairment indicators as defined by the Company, in addition to external data sources (economic environment and the market value of the assets, among other), are based on the nature of assets:

- Movable assets attached to a cash-generating unit: ratio between the net book value of the assets related to each store and sales value (VAT included).

  There is sign of impairment if such ratio is higher than the percentage defined for each format:
- Immovable assets: comparison of the net book value of the assets to market value.

In order to assess value impairment losses, assets are grouped at the level of cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units as applicable, and estimation is made of the recoverable value thereof. The Company has defined each store or each shop as an individual cash-generating unit; regarding goodwill, the generating units are grouped based on the brand, which represents the lowest value at which goodwill is monitored.

The recoverable value is the higher of the fair value less costs of sale of the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units and the value in use. This recoverable value is estimated for an individual asset unless such asset does not generate any cash flows independent of the cash inflows obtained by other assets or groups of assets.

Impairment losses are recognized with charge to period results in amount of the excess of book value of the asset over recoverable value thereof, first reducing the book value of the goodwill allocated to the cash-generating unit or group of cash-generating units; should there be a remaining balance, to all other assets of the cash-generating unit or group of units as a function of the book value of each asset until such book value reaches zero.

To determine the fair value less the costs of sale, a pricing model is used in accordance with the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units, if it can be established.

To assess the value in use:

- Estimation is made of future cash flows of the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units over a period not to exceed five years. Cash flows beyond the forecasted period are estimated by applying a steady or declining growth rate.
- The terminal value is estimated by applying a perpetual growth rate, according to the forecasted cash flow at the end of the explicit period.
- The cash flows and terminal value are discounted at present value, using a discount rate before taxes that corresponds to outstanding market rates reflecting the value of money over time and the particular risks attached to the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units.

The Group assesses whether the impairment losses previously recognized no longer exist or have decreased; in such events, the book value of the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units is increased to the revised estimation of the recoverable value, without exceeding the book value that would have been determined if no previous impairment had been recognized. Such reversal is recognized as a revenue in period results, except for goodwill which impairment is not reverted.

#### Inventories

Inventories include goods acquired with the purpose of being sold in the ordinary course of business, goods in process of manufacturing or construction with a view to such sale, and goods to be consumed in the process of production or provision of services.

Inventories in transit are recognized upon the Company's receiving all substantial risks and benefits attached to the asset, according to procurement conditions.

Inventories include real estate where the Company has started an urban development or project on the property with a view of selling it.

Inventories are valued using the first-in-first-out (FIFO) method, and initial recognition cost includes the costs of purchase, costs of transformation and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition, that is to say, upon completion of the production process or receipt at the store. Logistics costs and supplier discounts are capitalized as part of the inventories and recognized in the cost of goods sold upon sale thereof.

Inventories are valued at period closing at the lower of cost and net realization value.

The Company assesses whether the impairment losses previously recognized in the inventory no longer exist or have decreased; in these events, the book value of inventories is the lower of cost and net realizable value. This reversal is recognized as a decrease in the cost arising from impairment.

The Company makes an estimation of obsolescence and physical losses of inventory, based on the age of inventories, changes in manufacturing and sale conditions, trade regulations, probability of loss and other variables affecting the recoverable value.

## Financial assets

Financial assets are recognized in the statement of financial position when the Company becomes a party pursuant to the contract terms and conditions. Financial assets are classified in the following categories:

- Financial assets at fair value through income;

- Financial assets measured at amortized cost, and
- Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income.

The classification depends on the business model used by the Company to manage its financial assets and on the characteristics of the financial asset's contract cash flows; such classification is defined upon initial recognition. Financial assets are classified as current assets, if they mature in less than one year; otherwise, they are classified as non-current assets.

#### 1. Financial assets measured at fair value through income

Includes financial assets incurred mainly seeking to manage liquidity through frequent sales of the instrument. These instruments are measured at fair value and the variations in value are taken to income upon their occurrence.

## 2. Financial assets measured at amortized cost

These are non-derivative financial assets with known payments and fixed maturity dates, for which Company management has the intention and the capability of collecting the instrument's cash inflows under the contract.

These instruments are valued at their amortized cost using the effective interest method. The amortized cost is estimated by adding or deducting any premium or discount, revenue or incremental cost, during the remaining life of the instrument. Gains and losses are recognized in the statement of income by the amortization or if there were objective evidence of impairment.

These financial assets are included as non-current assets, exception made of those that mature in less than 12 months following the date of the statement of financial position.

## 3. Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

They represent variable-income investments not held for trading nor are they an acquirer's contingent consideration in a business combination. Regarding these investments, upon initial recognition the Company has made irrevocable decision of presenting the gains or losses based on a subsequent measurement at fair value in other comprehensive income.

The gains and losses arising from the new measurement at fair value are recognized in other comprehensive income until they are written off in asset accounts. In this event, the gains and losses previously recognized in equity were reclassified to retained earnings.

These financial assets are included as non-current assets, unless the Company intends to dispose of the investment within 12 months following the date of the statement of financial position.

## 4. Write-offs

A financial asset, or a portion thereof, is written off in the accounts upon its sale, transfer, expiry or loss of control over contract rights or over the instrument's cash flows. When the Company retains substantially all risks and benefits of ownership, the financial asset continues being recognized in the statement of financial position at its full value.

## 5. Effective interest method

Is the method to estimate the amortized cost of a financial asset and of the allocation of interest revenue during the entire relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated net future cash flows receivable (including all charges and revenue received that are an integral part of the effective interest rate, the transaction costs and other rewards or discounts), during the expected life of the financial asset.

## 6. Impairment of financial assets

Given that trade accounts receivable and other accounts receivable are deemed short-term receivables of less than 12 months from the date of issue and not containing a significant financial component, the impairment thereof is estimated from initial recognition and on each presentation date as the expected loss for the following 12 months.

For financial assets other than those measured at fair value, the Company estimates the expected losses over the life of the relevant asset. For this purpose, the Company determines if the credit risk arising from the asset assessed on an individual basis has significantly increased, by comparing the risk of default on the date of presentation against that on the date of initial recognition; if so, an impairment loss is recognized in period results in the amount of the credit losses expected over the following 12 months.

#### 7. Loans and accounts receivable

Loans and accounts receivable are financial assets issued or acquired by the Company in exchange for cash, goods or services delivered to a debtor.

Accounts receivable from sales transactions are measured at invoice values less accrued impairment losses. These accounts receivable are recognized when all risks and benefits have been transferred to a third party.

Long-term loans (more than one year of issuance date) are valued at its amortized cost using the effective interest method wherever the amounts involved are material. Losses from impairment are recognized in the statement of income.

These instruments are included as current assets, except for those maturing after 12 months following the date of the statement of financial position, which are classified as non-current assets. Accounts receivable which collection is expected over a period of more than 12 months and include payments during the first 12 months, are classified to current portion and non-current portion.

## 8. Cash and cash equivalents

Include cash at hand and in banks, and highly liquid investments. To be classified as cash equivalents, an investment should meet the following criteria:

- Short-term investments, in other words, to be held less than or up to three months following date of acquisition; Highly liquid investments;
- Readily converted into cash, and
- Subject to a low risk of change in value.

In the statement of financial position, the accounting accounts showing actual overdrafts with financial institutions are classified as financial liabilities. In the statement of cash flows such overdrafts are shown as a component of cash and cash equivalents, provided they are an integral part of the Company's cash management system.

## Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are recognized in the statement of financial position when the Group becomes a party pursuant to the contractual terms and conditions governing an instrument. Financial liabilities are classified as financial liabilities at fair value through income and financial liabilities measured at amortized cost.

## 1. Financial liabilities at fair value through income

Are classified under this category when held for trading or designated at fair value through income from initial recognition.

## 2. Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost

Include loans received and bonds issued, which are initially recognized by the cash received, net of transaction costs. They are subsequently measured at the amortized cost using the effective interest method and recognizing interest expenses based on effective return.

## 3. Write-offs

A financial liability or a part thereof is written off in the accounts upon settlement or expiry of the contract obligation.

#### 4. Effective interest method

The effective interest method is the method to calculate the amortized cost of a financial liability and the allocation of interest expenses over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that accurately discounts estimated future cash flows payable during the expected life of a financial liability, or, as appropriate, a shorter period wherever a prepayment option is associated to the liability and it is likely to be exercised.

#### **Embedded derivatives**

The Company has implemented a procedure that enables assessing the existence of embedded derivatives in financial and non-financial agreements. Should an embedded derivative exist, and if the main agreement is not accounted for at fair value, the procedure defines whether the characteristics and risks thereof are not closely related with the core agreement, in which event separate booking is required.

## **Derivative financial instruments**

Derivative financial instruments are recognized, both initially and subsequently, at fair values. Derivative instruments are recognized as financial assets when its fair value involves a right to the Company, and as financial liabilities when its fair value involves an obligation.

The fair value of these instruments is estimated on the closing date of presentation of the financial statements.

The gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of derivative instruments are directly recognized in the statement of income, except those maintained under hedge accounting and deemed to be cash flow hedges or net investment hedges abroad.

Derivative transactions involve "forwards" and "swaps", aimed at reducing the market risk of assets and liabilities by using the best hedging structures available in the market, being able to stabilize debt service cash flows.

By using such hedging structures, regarding "forwards" the intention is to manage the foreign exchange risk, and regarding "swaps" additionally to manage the interest rate risk in foreign currency. The effects of both, derivative financial instruments and elements under the line item of net financial results, are recognized in the statement of income.

Even if it is true that the Company does not use derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes, in these financial statements such derivatives have not been deemed hedge instruments given that they do not meet the requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards adopted in Colombia.

"Forwards" and "swaps" that meet hedge accounting requirements are recognized pursuant to the hedge accounting policy.

Financial derivatives are measured at fair value using financial valuation techniques based on discounted cash flows. The variables used for valuation are exchange rates in force on the valuation date applicable to the currencies agreed upon in the instrument and the interest rates associated thereto.

## Hedge accounting

The Group carries out hedge transactions under future-performance "forward" contracts and "swap" contracts, to cover the risks associated with changes in the exchange rates applicable to its investments and in the exchange rates and interests rates applicable to its liabilities.

Hedge instruments are measured at its fair value and hedge accounting shall only be used if:

- The hedge relationship has been clearly defined and documented initially, and
- The efficacy of the hedge may be evidenced initially and throughout its life.

Documents include the identification of the hedge instrument, the item or transaction hedged, the nature of the risk being hedged and the manner in which the Company will measure the efficacy of the hedge instrument to offset the exposure to changes in the fair value of the item hedged or to changes in the cash flows attributable to the hedged risk.

Hedges are deemed to be efficient when there is an economic relationship between the item hedged and the hedge instrument, the effects of the credit risk do not prevail over the value changes arising from such economic relationship, and the hedge ratio is the same as that arising from the item hedged and the amount of the hedge instrument used.

Hedge instruments are recognized initially at fair value, on the date of execution of the derivative contract, and subsequently measured at fair value. They are shown as non-current assets or non-current liabilities wherever the remaining maturity of the item hedged goes beyond 12 months, and, failing that, as current assets and current liabilities if the maturity of the item hedged does not exceed 12 months.

Hedges are classified and booked as follows, upon compliance with strict hedge accounting criteria:

- **Cash flow hedges:** this category includes hedges covering the exposure to the variation in cash flows arising from a particular risk associated to a recognized asset or liability or to a foreseen transaction, which occurrence is highly probable and may have an impact on period results.

The effective portion of the changes in the fair value of derivative instruments defined as cash flow hedge instruments is recognized in other comprehensive income. The gain or loss related to the non-effective portion is immediately recognized in the statement of income.

Values recognized in other comprehensive income are reclassified to the statement of income wherever the hedged transaction has an impact on the results, on the same line item of the statement of income where the hedged item was recognized. However, when the foreseen transaction that is hedged results in recognition of a non-financial asset or a non-financial liability, the gains or losses previously recognized in other comprehensive income are reclassified at the initial value of such asset or liability.

Hedge accounting is discontinued upon the Company's voiding the hedge relation, when the hedge instrument matures or is sold, expires, or is exercised, or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. In those events, any gain or loss recognized in other comprehensive income is maintained in shareholders' equity and is recognized when the foreseen transaction actually has an impact on period results. When it is no longer expected that a foreseen transaction would occur, then the retained gain or loss recognized in other comprehensive income is immediately recognized in the statement of income.

- **Fair-value hedges:** this category includes hedges covering the exposure to changes in the fair value of recognized assets or liabilities or unrecognized firm commitments.

A change in the fair value of a derivative that is a fair-value hedging instrument is recognized in the statement of income as financial expense or revenue. A change in the fair value of a hedged item attributable to the hedged risk is booked as part of the book value of the hedged item, and is recognized in the statement of income as financial expense or revenue.

Wherever an unrecognized firm commitment is identified as a hedged item, the subsequent accrued change in the fair value of the firm commitment attributable to the hedged risk will be recognized as an asset or liability and the relevant gain or loss will be recognized in period results.

- **Net investment hedges abroad:** this category includes hedges covering exposure to the variation in exchange rates arising from the translation of foreign businesses to the Company's presentation currency.

The effective portion of the changes in the fair value of derivative instruments defined as instruments to hedge a net investment abroad is recognized in other comprehensive income. The gain or loss related to the non-effective portion is immediately recognized in the statement of income.

If the Group would dispose of a foreign business, completely or in part, the accrued value of the effective portion recorded to other comprehensive income is reclassified to the statement of income.

## **Employee benefits**

## 1. Defined contribution plans

Post-employment benefit plans under which the Company pays predetermined contributions into a separate entity (a retirement fund or insurance company) and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions. Such contributions are recognized as expenses in the statement of income, to the extent that the relevant contributions are enforceable.

#### 2. Defined post-employment benefit plans

Post-employment benefit plans are those under which the Company is mandated to directly provide retirement pension payments and retroactive severance pay, pursuant to Colombian legal requirements. The Company has no specific assets intended for guaranteeing the defined benefit plans.

Defined post-employment benefit plan liabilities are estimated severally for each plan, with the support of independent third parties, applying the projected credit unit's actuarial valuation method, using actuarial assumptions on the date of the period reported, such as salary increase expectations, average time of employment, life expectancy and personnel turnover. For the Company, information on actuarial assumptions is taken as a reference to Regulatory Decree 2496 of December 23, 2015. Actuarial gains or losses are recognized in other comprehensive income. Interest expense on defined post-employment benefits, as well as settlements and plan reductions, are recognized in period results as financial costs

## 3. Long-term employee benefits

These are benefits not expected to be fully settled within twelve months following the closing date of the statement of financial position regarding which employees render their services. These benefits relate to time-of-service bonuses and similar benefits. The Company has no specific assets intended for guaranteeing the long-term benefits.

The liability for long-term benefits is determined separately for each plan with the support of independent third parties, following the actuarial valuation of the forecasted credit unit method, using actuarial assumptions on the date of the reporting period. The cost of current service, cost of past service, cost for interest, actuarial gains and losses, as well as settlements or reductions in the plan are immediately recognized in the statement of income.

#### 4. Short-term employee benefits

These are benefits expected to be fully settled within twelve months and after the closing date of the statement of financial position regarding which the employees render their services. Such benefits include a share of profits payable to employees based on performance. Short-term benefit liabilities are measured based on the best estimation of disbursements required to settle the obligations on the closing date of the reporting period.

## 5. Employee termination benefits

The Company pays to employees certain benefits upon termination, wherever it decides to terminate a labor contract earlier than on the ordinary retirement date, or wherever an employee accepts a benefits offer in exchange for termination of his labor contract.

Termination benefits are classified as short-term employee benefits and are recognized in period results when they are expected to be fully settled within 12 months of the closing of the reporting period; and are classified as long-term employee benefits when they are expected to be settled after 12 months of the closing of the reporting period.

## Provisions, contingent assets and liabilities

The Company recognizes as provisions all liabilities outstanding on the date of the statement of financial position, resulting from past events, which may be accurately measured and settlement thereof may require an outflow of resources incorporating economic benefits and which timing and/or amount are uncertain.

Provisions are recognized at the present value of the best estimation of cash outflows required to settle the liability. In those cases where the Company expects the provision to be reimbursed, in full or in part, the reimbursement is recognized as an independent asset with a revenue to income as balancing entry, only when such reimbursement is virtually certain.

The provisions are revised periodically, and quantified based on the best information available on the date of the statement of financial position.

Current obligations under contracts for consideration are recognized as provisions wherever unavoidable costs to be incurred in performing under the contract exceed the economic benefits expected to be received thereunder.

A business reorganization provision is recognized wherever the Company has a constructive obligation to conduct a reorganization, that is to say, when a formal and detailed plan of reorganization has been prepared and has raised a valid expectation in those affected because its overall conditions were announced prior to the closing of the reporting period.

Contingent liabilities are obligations arising from past events, which existence is subject to the occurrence or non-occurrence of future events not entirely under the control of the Company; or current obligations arising from past events, from which the amount of the obligation cannot be accurately estimated or it is not probable that an outflow of resources will occur for settlement of the obligation. Contingent liabilities are not included in the financial statements; instead, they are disclosed in notes to the financial statements, except for those individually included in the purchase pricing report under a business combination, which fair value may be accurately established.

A contingent asset is a possible asset that arises from past events, which existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of future events not entirely under the control of the Company. Contingent assets are not recognized in the statement of financial position until revenue realization is virtually true; instead, they are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

#### Taxes

Taxes include liabilities payable to Government by the Company, estimated based on private assessments made during the relevant taxable periods, and include, among other: income tax, income tax for equality -CREE-, value added tax -VAT-, national excise tax, tax on wealth and tax standardization, real estate tax, and industry and trade tax.

#### 1. Current income tax

The income tax for the Company is assessed on the higher of the presumptive income and the taxable net income at the official rate applicable annually on each closing of presentation of financial statements. In addition to the income tax, there is the tax for equality CREE, and for the years 2015 to 2018 a CREE surtax, assessed on the same base as the income tax with certain additional clearance items. The income tax expense is recognized with charge to income.

Current tax assets and liabilities are offset for presentation purposes if there is a legally enforceable right, have been incurred with the same tax authority and the intention is to settle them at the net value, or realize the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### 2. Deferred Income Tax

Deferred income taxes arise from temporary differences and other events that give rise to differences between the accounting base and the taxable base of assets and liabilities. The deferred income tax is recognized at the non-discounted value that the Company expects to recover from or pay to tax authorities, assessed at expected tax rates to be applied during the period when the asset will be realized or the liability will be settled.

Deferred income tax assets are only recognized in as much as it is probable that in future the Company will have taxable income against which such deductible temporary differences may be offset. Deferred income tax liabilities are always recognized. Deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from a business combination have an impact on goodwill.

Deferred taxes are recognized in period results or in other comprehensive income depending on where the originating profits or losses were booked and where they are shown in the statement of financial position as non-current items.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset for presentation purposes if there is a legally enforceable right and they have been incurred with the same tax authority.

The Company does not carry the deferred tax liabilities for the total of the differences that may arise between the accounting balances and the taxable balances of investments in associates and joint ventures, since the Company applies the exemption contained in IAS 12 when recording such deferred tax liabilities

## **Shareholders' Contributed Capital**

Contributed capital is made of common shares.

Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares or options are shown under shareholders' equity as a deduction from the amount received, net of taxes.

## Ordinary revenue

Net operating revenue includes the sales of goods at the stores, the provision of services, the sale of real estate inventory and complementary businesses such as insurance, travel and financing, among other.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or to be received, net of trade rebates, cash discounts and volume discounts; value added tax is also excluded.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognized when significant risks and benefits attached to the ownership of goods are transferred to purchaser, in most cases upon transfer of legal title, such revenue can be accurately measured and there is a probability that economic benefits from the transaction will flow into the Company.

Revenue from services is recognized in the period during which services are rendered. Wherever the provision of a service is subject to compliance with a number of commitments, the Company analyzes the proper timing for recognition. Consequently, revenues or sales of goods can either be recognized immediately (when the service is deemed rendered) or be deferred over the period during which the service is provided or the commitment is fulfilled.

When goods are sold along with customer loyalty incentives, the revenue is allotted between the sale of goods and the sale of incentives, at fair values. Deferred revenues from the sale of incentives are recognized in the statement of income upon customer redemption for products, or upon expiry.

Intermediation contracts are analyzed on the grounds of specific criteria to determine when the Company acts as principal and when as a commission agent.

Revenues from dividends are recognized when the right to receive payment for investments classified as financial instruments arise; dividends received from investments in associates and joint ventures are recognized as lower value of the investment.

Revenues from royalties are recognized upon fulfilment of the conditions set forth in the relevant agreements.

Revenues from operating leases on investment properties are recognized on a linear basis over the term of the agreement.

Revenues from interest are recognized using the effective interest method.

Barter revenues are recognized: (i) upon actual bartering, assets are recognized at the fair value of the consideration received on the date of exchange; (ii) or at the fair value of goods delivered.

## Loyalty programs

Under its loyalty program, the Company awards its customers points on their purchases, which may be exchanged in future for benefits such as prizes or goods available at the stores, means of payment or discounts, redemption with allies and continuity programs, among other. Points are measured at fair value, which is the value of each point received by the customer, considering the various redemption strategies. The fair value of each point is estimated at the end of each accounting period.

The obligation of awarding such points is recorded as a deferred revenue that represents the portion of unredeemed benefits at fair value, considering for such effect the portion of points expected not to be redeemed by the customers.

## Costs and expenses

Costs and expenses are recognized in period results upon a decrease in economic benefits, associated with a decrease in assets or an increase in liabilities, and the value thereof may be accurately measured.

Costs and expenses include all cash outflows necessary to complete the sales as well as the expenses required to provide the services, such as depreciation of property, plant and equipment, personnel expenses, payments under service agreements, repairs and maintenance, operating costs, insurance, fees and lease expenses, among other.

#### Profits per share

The basic profit per share is calculated dividing the net profit for the period attributable to the Company, not including the average number of company shares held by any subsidiary, if any, by the weighted average of common shares outstanding during the period, excluding, if any, common shares acquired by the Company and held as Treasury shares.

The diluted profit per share is calculated dividing the net profit for the period attributable to the Company, by the weighted average of common shares that would be issued should all potential common shares be converted with dilutive effect. The net profit for the period, if any, is adjusted by the amount of dividends and interest related to convertible bonds and subordinated debt instruments.

The Group has not carried out any transaction having a potential dilutive effect leading to a profit per share on a diluted basis other than the basic profit per share.

## First-time adoption

Law 1314 of July 2009 governs accounting and financial information and information assurance principles and standards accepted in Colombia. In addition, Decree 2784 of December 28, 2012 established the legal technical framework for preparers of financial information classified under Group 1 pursuant to International Financial Reporting Standards. Subsequently, Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards" amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496, incorporated International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS/IAS), interpretations (IFRIC and SIC) and the Conceptual Framework issued until December 31, 2014, published by the *International Accounting Standards Board - IASB* in 2015. Application of such regulatory framework is mandatory in Colombia as from January 1, 2017, regardless that the conceptual framework for financial information is mandatory as from January 1, 2016; early application of both regulations is permitted. The Company has decided for the early application of the regulation.

The accompanying financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2015 and December 31,2014 are the outcome of the application of the regulations mentioned in the preceding paragraph. Pursuant to IFRS 1, first-time adoption, to start such presentation and preparation, the opening balance sheet is that at January 1, 2014.

Standards applied in preparing these financial statements at January 1, 2014 are the regulations in force for the period ended December 31, 2014 and published by the *International Accounting Standards Board – IASB*, under the above-mentioned Colombian Decrees.

The first-time adoption of these standards in Colombia requires the Company to apply standards and interpretations in force, on a retroactive basis. The above means going back to the time of first recognition of assets, liabilities and equity items, and adjust them to IFRS requirements from such a time until the time of the opening statement of financial position.

The first-time adoption standard, IFRS 1, sets forth exemptions and exceptions to the retroactive application of International Financial Reporting Standards. Exemptions are optional, while exceptions are mandatory (retroactive application is not permitted). Consequently, the Company applied the following exemptions and exceptions:

## 1. Property, plant and equipment, and investment property

- The cost attributable to real estate property will be the fair value, which is the value of the technical appraisal under IFRS 13 on the date of transition, conducted by an independent appraiser.
- The cost attributable to movable assets will be the restated value, which is the latest technical appraisal carried out pursuant to Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in Colombia (COLGAAP).
- The cost attributed to real estate property not appraised at fair value and to other movable assets not included in the preceding paragraph, was determined based on the restated cost, which was established as the book value under local GAAP.

## 2. Intangible assets

- The cost attributed to trademarks is the fair value, determined under the requirements of IFRS 13.
- Restatement of the cost of intangible assets to eliminate non-capitalizable outflows of resources pursuant to IAS 38.

## 3. Cost attributed to investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates

- No restatement of business combinations and acquisitions carried out, on the date of transition to the IFRS, in the consolidated financial statements for goodwill arising from mergers.
- For investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures adopting the IFRS earlier than the Company, the assets in the opening balance sheet were measured at book value as they appear in the financial statements of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures, after the relevant adjustments upon consolidation and application of the equity method.

## 4. Capitalization of borrowing costs in qualifying assets

The Company has elected to apply transient IAS 23 (Borrowing costs) provisions, which means capitalizing borrowing costs in qualifying assets as from transition date.

#### 5. Designation of previously recognized financial instruments

Financial instruments previously recognized under Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in Colombia will be classified on the date of transition.

## 6. Measure at fair value of financial assets or financial liabilities in the initial recognition

Prospectively apply the requirements of IFRS 9 to transactions carried out as from the date of transition.

## 7. Derecognition of financial assets and liabilities

Prospectively apply the requirements of IFRS 9 to derecognition of financial assets and liabilities as from the date of transition.

## 8. Embedded derivatives

The analysis of separating an embedded derivative from the core contract, under existing conditions, was carried out on the latest of the following dates:

- The date on which the Company become a party to the contract.
- The date on which amendments were introduced to the contract, resulting in significant changes to contract cash flows.

## 9. Hedge accounting

Not to reflect in the opening statement of financial position, the hedge relations that do not comply with the hedge accounting conditions set forth in IAS 39 - Financial Instruments: recognition and measurement.

#### 10. Embedded leases

The Company has elected to apply transient IFRIC 4 (Determining whether an arrangement contains a lease) provisions, and has assessed all lease arrangements based on existing conditions at January 1, 2014.

Below are the significant adjustments made upon transition of the financial statements prepared under Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in Colombia to accounting and financial information standards accepted in Colombia, enacted by Law 1314 of 2009 that relate to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) officially translated and authorized by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) at December 31, 2014, regulated in Colombia by Regulatory Decree 2420 of 2015, "Single Regulatory Decree on accounting, financial information and information assurance standards", amended on December 23, 2015 by Regulatory Decree 2496, without applying any of the exceptions to the IFRS therein contained. Significant adjustments at the closing of December 31, 2014, date of the latest accounting period included in the annual financial statements presented under Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in Colombia are additionally shown:

## Equity reconciliation:

		Adjustments			
		January 2014	Comprehensive income	Other	December 2014
Shareholders' equity local GAAP	Note	7,863,375			8,163,211
Changes in assets					
Other increase (decrease) in debtors	Α	(500)	(5,550)	-	(6,050)
Adjustment to amortized cost of other financial assets	В	(630)	(950)	-	(1,580)
Adjustment to the fair value of financial assets	С	(127)	(4,916)	-	(5,043)
Other increase (decrease) in current assets	D	(64,915)	(9,952)	-	(74,867)
Adjustment from changes in the application or elimination of the equity method in investments	E	227,330	76,215	(4,675)	298,870
Adjustment from measurement at deemed cost in property, plant and equipment	F	690,306	-	-	690,306
Adjustments from depreciation of property, plant and equipment	F	-	100,464	-	100,464
Elimination of revaluation in property, plant and equipment	F	(1,278,464)	-	(75,574)	(1,354,038)
Other adjustments to the cost of property, plant and equipment	G	-	(6,341)	-	(6,341)
Elimination of deferred charges	Н	5,855	(2,388)	-	3,467
Adjustment in the cost of intangible assets	1	(12,996)	49,481	-	36,485
Finance lease adjustment	J	5,203	-	-	5,203
Total (decrease) in assets		(428,938)	196,063	(80,249)	(313,124)
Changes in liabilities			-	-	-
Adjustment to amortized cost in financial liabilities	K	4,869	(733)	-	4,136
Recognition or adjustment to provisions	L	16,720	6,963	-	23,683
Adjustment to retirement pension liabilities	M	4,894	(469)	-	4,425
Adjustment to other long-term employee benefit liabilties	M	25,435	1,429	-	26,864
Booking of credit deferred tax	N	6,836	68,333	-	75,169
Adjustment to customer loyalty programs	0	-	11,652	-	11,652
Adjustment to tax on quity	Р	(1,715)	1,715	-	-
Other liabilities	Q	(995)	146	-	(849)
Total increase in liabilities		56,044	89,036		145,080
Total IFRS-based adjustments		(484,982)	107,027	(80,249)	(458,204)
Shareholders' equity under IFRS		7,378,393			7,705,007

#### Reconciliation of total comprehensive income:

December 2014

		December 2014
Income under local GAAP	Note	458,865
Changes in assets		
Other increase (decrease) in debtors	Α	(5,550)
Adjustment to amortized cost of other financial assets	В	(950)
Adjustment to the fair value of financial assets	С	(4,916)
Other increase (decrease) in current assets	D	(9,952)
Adjustment from changes in the application or elimination of the equity method in investments	Е	76,215
Adjustments from depreciation of property, plant and equipment	F	100,464
Other adjustments to the cost of property, plant and equipment	G	(6,341)
Elimination of deferred charges	Н	(2,388)
Adjustment in the cost of intangible assets	I	49,481
Total increase in assets		196,063
Changes in liabilities		
Adjustment to amortized cost in financial liabilities	K	(733)
Recognition or adjustment to provisions	L	6,963
Adjustment to retirement pension liabilities	M	(469)
Adjustment to other long-term employee benefit liabilities	M	1,429
Booking of credit deferred tax	N	68,333
Adjustment to customer loyalty programs	0	11,652
Adjustment to tax on equity	Р	1,715
Other liabilities	Q	146
Total increase in liabilities		89,036
Total IFRS adjustments		107,027
Total comprehensive income under IFRS		565,892

Notes to shareholders' equity reconciliation at January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014 and comprehensive income for the period ended December 31, 2014.

## Note A: Accounts receivable

Assets that do not generate future economic benefits are not recognized in the financial statements; in this respect, the Company analyzed the recoverability of advance payments and wrote off those not complying with recognition criteria. Advance payments deemed recoverable are reclassified to each line item in the statement of financial position according to their purpose.

During the transition period, 2014, the Company recognized further impairment of accounts receivable arising from the application of impairment policies. Such higher value was recognized as operating expense in period results.

## Note B: Amortized cost of financial assets

Certain investments and accounts receivable were classified to investments measured at amortized cost in accordance with existing conditions on the date of the opening balance sheet pursuant to the exemption of IFRS 1 elected by the Company, given that as part of its business model, Company management has the intention and the capability of collecting contract cash flows under the instrument.

According to the above, and given that to measure these financial instruments IFRS 1 does not set forth a voluntary exemption to make transition easier, the Company measured the financial assets at amortized cost using the effective interest method on a retroactive basis, including loans at rates lower than market rates.

During 2014, transition period, the effect of the valuation of investments and receivables at amortized cost resulted in higher financial expenses recognized in period results.

#### Note C: Fair value of financial assets

The adjustment recognized in the opening balance sheet includes:

- Measurement of investments at the fair value of derivatives designated as hedging instruments under local GAAP and which on the date of the opening balance sheet do not meet hedge accounting requirements. Such hedging instruments were recognized at fair value, which is determined by a valuation technique commonly used by market participants.
- The measurement of investments at fair value through other comprehensive income where the Company used the exemption of designating these financial instruments on the date of transition on the grounds of events and circumstances existing on the date of transition. The fair value of such investments was determined as reference to the prices listed in active markets if the instruments are listed in such markets; in all other cases, the fair value was measured as the book value under local GAAP, considering that the effect is immaterial and that carrying out a measurement applying a valuation technique commonly used by market participants might generate higher costs than the value of benefits.

During 2014, transition period, transactions related to the above items resulted in the following effect:

- Gains or losses arising from the valuation of derivative instruments were recognized in period results and did not generate material effects as compared to local GAAP, given that they were measured at fair value under both accounting policies.
- Losses related to investments at fair through other comprehensive income during the transition period were recognized in such comprehensive results.

  Amounts previously recognized under local GAAP were reversed.

#### Note D: Other adjustments in current assets

Cost of inventories includes all costs arising from acquisition and conversion, as well as other costs incurred to bring inventories to the current condition and location, net of trade discounts, rebates and other similar items. Under local GAAP, financial discounts and other discounts related to the purchase of inventories are recognized as revenue in the Company's statement of income. Discounts granted by suppliers on the acquisition of inventories were included in the cost of inventories in the opening balance sheet and during 2014, transition period.

## Note E: Equity method in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures

In accordance with the exemption under IFRS 1, the net assets of investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures were recognized in the consolidated financial statements at the same book values included in the individual financial statements of such companies, after the adjustments from the application of the equity method pursuant to IAS 28 and amendment of IAS 27. The effect of applying such procedure was recognized in retained earnings in the opening balance sheet. Equity variations in net assets of these invested companies during transition period were recognized in period results, in other comprehensive income or other equity components, in accordance with the nature of the originating item.

## Note F: Property, plant and equipment

On the date of the opening statement of financial position, the Company decided to measure the elements of investment property, plant and equipment under the following options, according to IFRS 1:

- The deemed cost of real estate property was determined based on its fair value on the date of transition, pursuant to IFRS 13 "Measurement at fair value", according to the estimation of an independent firm that used discounted cash flows as valuation technique.
- The cost attributed to movable assets was determined based on revalued GAAP, which corresponds to the latest technical appraisal carried out pursuant to Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in Colombia (COLGAAP) on the date of transition or on a previous date, and recalculate the depreciation from the date of the technical appraisal until the date of the opening balance sheet with the remaining technical useful life determined on the date of the appraisal.
- The deemed cost of real estate property not appraised at fair value and other movable assets not included in the preceding paragraph, was determined based on the restated cost established as the book value under local GAAP.
- There is also a decrease arising from the elimination of asset revaluation accounts recognized in the Colombian accounting system.

During 2014, transition period, a lower depreciation expense was recognized in period results, given that the useful lives determined by the Company were longer than those under local GAAP were. Also, an equity decrease in transition is shown, arising from the derecognition of the asset revaluation accounts previously recognized in equity under local GAAP.

## Note G: Other adjustments to the cost of property, plant and equipment

Relate to the difference during 2014, transition period, between the gain and the loss from the sale of property, plant and equipment assets, given that the assets have different costs under local GAAP and under IAS 16, as well as different useful lives.

## Note H: Deferred charges

Under local GAAP, goods or services received from which economic benefit is expected in future periods are recognized as deferred charges, and they are amortized over the time expected to use or receive such benefit. In accordance with recognition criteria under IAS 38 for intangible assets, the Group derecognized the deferred disbursements because of advertisement and other concepts capitalized in improvement to third party property.

During 2014, transition period, such deferred charges continued being amortized under local GAAP.

## Note I: Intangible assets other than goodwill

For the trademark Surtimax, received upon merging with Carulla Vivero S.A., the Company determined its deemed cost in the opening balance sheet using the option of fair value in application of the revenue approach, particularly the royalty method.

For all other intangible assets, according to the options offered by IFRS 1, the deemed cost was determined based on the restatement option, which means to determine the deemed cost based on the acquisition cost, recalculate the amortization from the purchase date until the date of the opening balance sheet with the technical useful life for intangible assets with a finite useful life, and measure the impairment of assets.

According with the above procedure, intangible assets not complying with the recognition criteria were derecognized and the trademark Surtimax was recognized at fair value in the opening balance sheet.

During 2014, transition period, a lower amortization expense was recognized in period results, given that the useful lives determined by the Company were longer than those under local GAAP were.

## Note J: Leases

Under local GAAP, certain lease agreements where the Company is the lessee were classified as operating lease. The Company analyzed the transfer of the risks and benefits under such agreements on the date of commencement of the obligation, considering that IFRS 1 does not allow a voluntary exemption in the classification and measurement of IAS 17 - Leases. As a result, lease agreements are classified as financial leases in the opening balance sheet, recognizing the relevant asset and liability in the opening statement of financial position.

## Note K: Amortized cost of financial liabilities

Pursuant to measurement requirements set forth in IFRS 9, the Group valued issued bonds at amortized cost using the effective interest method, adding or deducting any premium or discount over the remaining life of the instrument, from the date of commencement of the obligation; in other words, the measurement is carried out on a retrospective basis given that there is no voluntary exemption under IFRS 1 regarding the measurement of these financial instruments. In addition, the financial lease liability was valued using the constructive interest rate according to the criteria of IAS 17 - Leases.

During 2014, transition period, the effect of valuation of the amortized cost of such financial liabilities was recognized in income as a financial component. In addition, a lower value of lease expenses is shown, reflecting the payment for the use of the asset that under local GAAP was recognized in income and now is recognized as a lower value of the liability recognized.

## Note L: Provisions

The Company recognized existing obligations on the date of the opening balance sheet, where an outflow of resources will be probably required to settle such obligations. The value accounted for represents the best estimation of the outflow of resources required for settlement. Additionally, provisions that did not meet the recognition criteria under IAS 37 - Provisions, contingent assets and liabilities, were derecognized.

During 2014, transition period, provision-related effects resulted from:

- The effects of money value over time recognized in period results as a financial component.
- The effect of changes in the estimations and new provisions recognized in period results.

The above generated a higher value of provision expense.

## Note M: Retirement pension benefit liabilities and other long-term benefits

The Company determined retirement pension benefit liabilities and other long-term benefits using actuarial calculation by applying the projected credit unit method foreseen in IAS 19. The effects of such measurement were recognized in retained earnings.

During 2014, transition period, the effect of measurement of retirement pension liabilities and other long-term benefits resulted from:

- Amounts related to the cost of present services and cost of past services in period results as operating expense.
- The effect of money value over time was recognized in period results as a financial component.
- The amounts related to actuarial gains (losses) because of retirement liabilities were recognized in other comprehensive income, and those from other long-term benefits were recognized in period results.

The above resulted in a higher value of expenses arising from retirement pension liabilities and employee benefits.

#### Note N: Deferred tax

Under local GAAP, the deferred tax was determined based on temporary differences between accounting results and results for tax purposes. Under IAS 12, the deferred tax was determined based on temporary differences of the balances of assets and liabilities in the statement of financial position and tax-related balances, and including deferred tax assets arising from taxable losses, taxable credits and the excess presumptive income, wherever there is probability of future recovery. The most significant effect of such differences was recognized under retained earnings in the opening balance sheet.

For 2014, transition period, the effect of such differences was recognized under retained earnings and in other comprehensive results, according to the nature of the original entry.

## Note O: Loyalty program

Represents the measurement of liabilities arising from the customer loyalty program at fair value, which, during 2014, transition period, was recognized in period results.

## Note P: Tax on equity

At January 1, 2014, the Company presents an equity tax-related liability. Such tax is triggered by the wealth held on January 1, 2011, equal to or exceeding \$1,000. For the purpose of this tax, wealth means the net equity of the taxpayer at 1 January 2011. Pursuant to tax regulations, such tax is to be paid in 8 equal installments during 4 years (2 installments per year), according to the terms established by National Government.

The Company defined an accounting policy related to the treatment of such obligation, and measured such long-term liability at discounted value recognizing the effects of valuation in retained earnings.

During 2014, transition period, the adjustment in value over time of the tax on equity was recognized in period results.

#### Note Q: Other liabilities

Under local GAAP, the Company had recognized the inflation adjustments on constructions in progress and on non-monetary deferred charges in preoperating stage until December 31, 2006 as credit deferred monetary correction and amortization thereof was applied as from the date on which revenue began to be perceived and during the term established for the relevant deferred charge.

In addition, the Group recognized inflation adjustments on the proportion of shareholders' equity regarding assets that generated a credit to the credit deferred monetary correction such as the debit deferred monetary correction, and amortization thereof was applied as from the date on which revenue began to be perceived and during the term established for the relevant deferred charge.

Inflation adjustments are not applicable by the Company given that it is not located in a highly inflationary economy pursuant to IAS 29. Such balances were recognized in retained earnings in the opening balance sheet and are not recognized in period results during the transition period.

#### Shareholders' equity revaluation

Under local GAAP, the Company recognized in shareholders' equity the inflation adjustments of balances in shareholders' equity accounts accrued until December 31, 2006, excluding the revaluation surplus. Pursuant to legal regulations, this balance may be distributed as profits upon winding-up of the company, or upon capitalization of this value. By means of Regulatory Decree 1536 of May 7, 2007, the National Government eliminated the accounting of comprehensive inflation adjustments as of January 1, 2007.

Given that inflation adjustments are not applicable at the Group for it is not located in a highly inflationary economy pursuant to IAS 29, such balances were transferred to retained earnings.

#### Variations in the separate cash flow 2014

At December 31, 2014, the most significant variations in the statement of cash flows represent:

- 1) Under operating cash flows, the clearance of the gain related to tax expense in amount of \$21,095 includes, in the cash flows presented under previous principles, the net of indirect taxes such as VAT, excise tax, etc. Under the current presentation, only that related to the income tax and the income tax for equality (CREE) in amount of \$166,246 is included.
- 2) In the clearance of period profit or loss, in cash flows related to operating activities, \$395,931 are included under previous principles for depreciation of property, plant and equipment, and intangible assets. The cleansed value in this presentation is \$192,763 mainly due to the extension of useful lives of real estate assets and intangible assets.
- 3) Under the previous principles, the acquisition and disposition of temporary investments are classified as investment activities in amount of \$384,849. Some of these investments meet the definition of cash equivalents, reason why such are classified as part of cash available in the presentation of the cash flow and \$17,629 are reported under investment activities.
- 4) Financing activities include \$51,654 under prior principles on account of realized exchange difference associated to financial instruments, and \$65,742 under other cash-generating concepts, related to the payment of tax on equity and other cash disbursements. These items do not report cash movements, since the relevant inflows and outflows are classified where the main financial instrument has been classified, and regarding the tax on equity they are classified as operating activities.

## Note 4. New and modified standards and interpretations

## Note 4.1 Standards not yet in force.

## IFRS 15 Revenue from contracts with customers (May 2014)

The standard sets forth a unique comprehensive accounting model for ordinary revenue arising from contracts with customers. IFRS 15 will supersede the guidelines on recognition of ordinary revenue included in IAS 18 "Revenue", IAS 11 "Construction Contracts" and related interpretations, once applicable.

The core principle of IFRS 15 is that an entity recognizes the revenue from ordinary activities to describe the transfer of goods or services promised to the customers, in exchange for a sum that reflect the consideration the entity expects to be entitled to in exchange for such goods or services.

An entity recognizes revenue from ordinary activities pursuant to such basic principle, by applying the following stages:

- Stage 1: Identify the contract with the customer.
- Stage 2: Identify the performance obligations under the contract.
- Stage 3: Define the consideration for the transaction.
- Stage 4: Allocate the transaction price to performance obligations under the contract.

Stage 5: Recognize the revenue from ordinary activities wherever (or in as much as) the company meets a performance obligation.

Pursuant to IFRS 15, revenue is recognized upon fulfillment of a performance obligation. The standard also includes guidance on specific aspects related with the recognition of revenue, and require a higher level of disclosure.

The standard will become effective for periods commencing on or after January 1, 2017. Company management is assessing the quantitative impact on information systems, internal processes and controls, arising from the new requirements set forth by the standard.

The Company does not consider early application since Decree 2496 of December 23, 2015 expressly forbids early application during the current year.

## Note 4.2 Standards adopted early

#### IFRIC 21 - Levies (May 2013)

The interpretation includes the recording of outflows of resources mandated by the Government (government agencies and similar bodies), pursuant to the laws and/or regulations, other than the income tax, fines and penalties for breaches of the legislation and amounts gathered by the entities on behalf of governments.

It sets forth that the triggering event of the liability is the activity that results in payment of the levy, and mentions that the date of payment thereof does not affect the time when the liability is recognized.

The Company started to apply this interpretation as of January 1, 2014. The impact of application thereof during 2015 in the separate statement of income, line item other operating revenue and expenses and other profits, amounted to \$57,772 due to the recognition of the expense arising from the tax on equity enacted by the National Government through Law 1739 of December 23, 2014. The application during 2014 did not have any impact on period results.

In addition, this interpretation was applied to the recognition of the real estate tax in force in Colombia, with an impact in interim periods but not for the periods ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

## Amendment to IAS 27 "Equity participation method in Separate Financial Statements" (August 2014)

The amendment gives entities the option of recording their investments in subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates at cost, pursuant to IFRS 9 "Financial Instruments" or using the equity method as described in IAS 28 "Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures".

The Company elected the early application of this amendment, incorporating its effects from the preparation of its opening statement of financial position on January 1, 2014. Revenue under the equity method recognized on investments, associates and joint ventures for the period ended 2015 amounted to \$144,415 (2014 \$70.007).

## IFRS 9 - "Financial Instruments" (July 2014)

IFRS 9 introduced new requirements for the classification, measurement and derecognition of financial assets and liabilities, as well as new requirements for hedge accounting and impairment of financial assets.

The Company started to apply this standard as of January 1, 2014, without significant effects from implementation thereof.

## Amendment to IAS 36 Information to be disclosed on the recoverable value of non-financial assets (May 2013).

This amendment includes the requirements of information to be disclosed on the recoverable value of non-monetary assets for which an impairment loss has been recorded or reversed. In these events, there is a requirement to disclose whether the recoverable value of assets was estimated from its fair value less disposition costs or value in use. Should fair values be used, it is required to disclose the value hierarchy used as set forth in IFRS 13 - Fair Value Measurement.

The Company started to apply this interpretation as of January 1, 2014. No transactions affected by this amendment were carried out during the reporting period, and there were no effects from implementation thereof.

## Amendment to IFRS 11 -Joint Arrangements - Accounting for acquisitions of interests in Joint Operations (May 2014)

The amendment sets forth that a joint operator should account for the acquisition of an interest in a joint operation that constitutes a business using the principles related to business combinations contained in IFRS 3 "Business combinations" and other standards.

The Company started to apply this interpretation as of January 1, 2014. No transactions affected by this amendment were carried out during the reporting period, and there were no effects from implementation thereof.

## Amendment to IAS 16 and IAS 38 Acceptable methods of depreciation and amortization (May 2014)

The amendments make it clear that the methods of amortization based on revenue are not accepted, since they do not reflect the expected consumption pattern of the future economic benefits embodied in an asset. Such general rule might be refuted for intangible assets if the intangible asset is expressed as a function of revenues and it can be proved that the revenues and consumption of the economic benefits embodied in intangible assets are closely correlated.

The Company started to apply this interpretation as of January 1, 2014. No transactions affected by this amendment were carried out during the reporting period, and there were no effects from implementation thereof.

# Amendment to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 and IAS 27 Sales or contribution of assets between an investor and its Associate or Joint Venture (September 2014)

The amendments refer to a well-known inconsistency between the requirements under IFRS 10 and IAS 28 (2011), in the treatment of sales or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture.

The Company started to apply this interpretation as of January 1, 2014. No transactions affected by this amendment were carried out during the reporting period, and there were no effects from implementation thereof.

## Annual improvement to IFRS Cycle 2012-2014 (September 2014)

Annual improvements to IFRS for the cycle 2012-2014 include:

- IFRS 5 "Non-current assets held for trading and discontinued operations", wherein it is made clear that wherever an asset (or group for disposition) is reclassified from "held for trading" to "held for distribution", or vice versa, this situation does not represent a change to the sales or distribution plan. This means that the asset (or group for disposition) does not need to be reinstated as if it had never been classified as "held for trading" or "held for distribution".
- IFRS 7 "Financial instruments: Disclosures", includes two amendments for the purpose of analyzing disclosure requirements regarding financial instruments: (a) Provides guidance to help company management to determine whether the terms of a certain arrangement to provide financial asset management services make a continued implication, and (b) Makes it clear that additional information to be disclosed on the set-off of financial assets and financial liabilities is not specific for all interim periods.
- IAS 19 "Employee benefits" clarifies that to determine the discount rate for liabilities arising from post-employment benefits, what matters is the currency
  of liabilities and not the country where they are triggered. Likewise, where there is no broad market of high-quality corporate bonds in such currency,
  government bonds are to be used in the relevant currency.
- IAS 34 "Interim financial information" requires cross-reference of interim financial statements to the location of such information.

The Company started to apply this interpretation as of January 1, 2014, without significant effects from implementation thereof.

The amendments to IFRS 10, IFRS 12 and IAS 28 Consolidation exception for investment entities and their subsidiaries (December 2014)

Amendments to IFRS 10 clarify that an investment entity must consolidate a subsidiary that is not an investment entity and which supports the entity's investment activities, in such a way that it acts as an extension of the investment entity.

The Company started to apply this amendment as of January 1, 2014. No transactions affected by this amendment were carried out during the reporting period, and there were no effects from implementation thereof.

#### Note 5. Business combinations

#### Note 5.1 Business combinations during 2015

#### Agreement between the Company and Caja de Compensación Familiar - CAFAM

During September 2010, the Company entered into an agreement with Caja de Compensación Familiar - CAFAM, which enabled it to operate the stores owned by Cafam, and enabled Cafam to operate the drugstores owned by the Company.

On February 23, 2015, the parties executed an agreement which main purpose was:

- The acquisition by the Company of the stores owned by Cafam, which it had been operating since September 2010, date on which the inventories in amount of \$33,506 and property, plant and equipment associated to such stores in amount of \$21,200 had been purchased.

  Since it is deemed a business combination completed in various stages, the consideration transferred of \$127,267 includes \$5,048 because of the
  - measurement at fair value on the date of the business combination, of property, plant and equipment previously acquired by the Company. The amount recognized as goodwill amounts to \$122,219, based on the purchase price allocation survey, which is expected to be tax-deductible.
- The sale to Cafam of the drugstores owned by the Company, some of which had been operated by Cafam since September 2010, resulted in a net gain of \$74,515, recognized in period results under "Other revenue"; The termination of the cooperation agreement executed in September 2010 by and between the parties.

The conditions precedent under the agreement, including approval by the relevant authorities, were completed on May 27, 2015.

Expenses associated with the acquisition of such stores were not material.

## Exercise of the purchase option of the Super Inter stores.

On April 15, 2015, the Company exercised the purchase option with Comercializadora Giraldo y Cía. S.A. granted on the acquisition of 29 trade establishments, which had been operated since October 2014, and on the Super Inter trademark. Previously, the Company had acquired the inventories associated with such establishments in amount of \$29.833 under a separate transaction.

The price of acquisition amounted to \$343,920, out of which \$284,173 were paid at the closing on December 31, 2015.

Below is a summary of the fair values of identifiable net assets and liabilities of the business acquired, as of the date of acquisition and at the closing of the measurement period, based on the purchase price allocation survey:

	Temporary fair values at April 1, 2015	Adjustments measurement period (1)	Final fair values at April 1, 2015
Super Inter Banner	95,121	(31,417)	63,704
Property, plant and equipment	18,169	-	18,169
Total identifiable assets	113,290	(31,417)	81,873
Total liabilities taken on		•	-
Net assets and liabilities measured at fair value	113,290	(31,417)	81,873

(1) Refers to the fair value measurement adjustment of the Super Inter trademark, resulting from the revision of the variables used in the initial provisional valuation.

The goodwill arising from the operation amounts to:

	Temporary fair values at April 1, 2015	Adjustments during measurement period	Final fair values at April 1, 2015
Consideration transferred	343,920	-	343,920
Less fair value of identifiable net assets	(113,290)	31,417	(81,873)
Goodwill from the acquisition	230,630	31,417	262,047

The goodwill of \$262,047 is attributable to economies of scale expected from the integration of the operations of the stores acquired and the Company's stores, which is expected to be tax-deductible.

Expenses associated with the acquisition of such stores were not material.

## Note 5.2 Business combinations during 2014

In September 2014, the Superintendence of Industry and Trade authorized the transaction executed in February of the same year to acquire Super Inter's trade establishments. Consequently, the Company (i) acquired 19 trade establishments for \$200,000 on October 16, 2014, subject to the sale of a competitor of 4 stores (two acquired and two operated), (ii) operates 31 trade establishments over a 5 year period and initiated operation thereof between October 16, 2014 and December 18, 2014, (iii) uses Super Inter's registered trademarks, and (iv) agrees on a purchase option by means of which Super Inter grants the Company the option to acquire in 2015 the remaining 31 trade establishments, as well as the mentioned trademarks.

The fair values of Super Inter's identifiable net assets and liabilities, as of the date of acquisition and at the closing of the measurement period, based on the purchase price allocation survey, are summarized as follows:

	Temporary fair values at October 16, 2014	Adjustments during measurement period	Final fair values at October 16, 2014
Intangible assets	4,499	-	4,499
Property, plant and equipment	9,349	-	9,349
Non-current assets held for trading	6,740	-	6,740
Total identifiable assets	20,588		20,588
Total liabilities taken on	•	•	-
Net assets and liabilities measured at fair value	20,588		20,588

The goodwill arising from the operation amounts to:

	Temporary fair values at October 16, 2014	Adjustments during measurement period	Final fair values at October 16, 2014
Consideration transferred	200,000	-	200,000
Less fair value of identifiable net assets	(20,588)	-	(20,588)
Goodwill from the acquisition	179,412	•	179,412

The goodwill of \$179,412 is attributable to economies of scale expected from the integration of the operations of the stores acquired and the Company's stores, which is expected to be tax-deductible in amount of \$199,410.

Expenses associated with the acquisition of these stores amounted to \$7,831 and were recognized under other expenses in the statement of income for the period ended December 31, 2014.

The purchase option agreement on the acquisition of 31 trade establishments and Super Inter's registered trademarks could be exercised as of April 1, 2015 over 30 days, or until the date agreed upon by the parties. The transferred consideration consisted of \$250,000 and a contingent consideration in amount of \$90.000.

Revenue from ordinary activities contributed by these 17 stores between October 16, 2014 and the period ended December 31, 2015 amounted to \$43,097. Such stores also contributed with a net profit of \$1,613 during the same period.

Should these stores had been acquired on January 1, 2014, period results would reflect pro forma revenues from ordinary activities amounting to \$293,423 and a net profit of \$9,682.

## Nota 6. Cash and cash equivalents

The balance of cash and cash equivalents is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Local currency			
Banks	467,112	860,221	1,343,906
Cash in hand	301,286	538,142	285,923
Fiduciary rights (1)	35,636	89,099	41,373
Short-term deposits	-	916,031	829,498
Total local currency	804,034	2,403,493	2,500,700
Foreign currency			
Banks	5,602	62,853	14,908
Cash in hand	1,011	458	89
Bonds (2)	-	239,306	-
Total foreign currency	6,613	302,617	14,997
Total cash and cash equivalents	810,647	2,706,110	2,515,697

- (1) The Company shows restricted cash equivalents in local currency in amount of \$3,907, related to the profits from the film "Colombia Magia Salvaje", with the specific destination of a donation to Fundación Éxito.
- (2) Represents an investment in Polca Holding, a subsidiary of the Belgium Casino Group, at a 4.50% effective annual rate, settled on January 28, 2015 in amount of \$251.973.

The Company recorded a return on cash on hand and in banks amounting to \$15,971 (2014 \$31,387) and on cash equivalents in amount of \$21,993 (2014 \$38,597). (See Note 30 Financial revenue and expense).

Exception made of resources aimed at Fundación Éxito, there are no restrictions or liens that limit the disposition of cash and cash equivalents.

### Note 7. Trade receivables and other accounts receivable

The balance of trade receivables and other accounts receivable is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Trade accounts receivable (7.1)	132,488	124,410	119,353
Other accounts receivable (7.2)	104,963	54,126	63,950
Total accounts receivable	237,451	178,536	183,303
Current	217,742	162,155	167,557
Non-current Non-current	19,709	16,381	15,746

### Nota 7.1 Trade accounts receivable

The balance of trade receivables and other accounts receivable is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Sales on credit cards and other	71,951	75,798	72,212
Employee funds	52,716	37,498	27,919
Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A. (1)	19,212	21,210	23,090
Impairment loss (2)	(11,391)	(10,096)	(3,868)
Total trade receivables	132,488	124,410	119,353

- (1) Includes items related with the operation of Tarjeta Éxito, such as royalties and reimbursement of shared expenses and collections from recovery of coupons, to be paid in the short term.
- (2) Impairment of receivables is estimated on a case-by-case basis, and recognized as net expenses in period results based on accounts overdue exceeding the behavior of the historic of payments; however, even if impaired, the Company deems such amounts as recoverable given the extensive credit risk analysis conducted on customers, including credit ratings where available in credit databases recognized by the market. For 2015 the expense amounted to \$1,295 (2014 \$6,228). The movement of the impairment of receivables during the period is as follows:

Balance at January 1, 2014	3,868
Impairment loss	10,646
Reversal of impairment loss	(1,707)
Receivables written-off	(2,711)
Balance at December 31, 2014	10,096
Recognized impairment loss	12,760
Reversal of impairment loss	(9,044)
Receivables written-off	(2,421)
Balance at December 31, 2015	11,391

Note 38 Policies on financial risk management includes the considerations on the credit risk for trade debtors.

## Note 7.2 Other accounts receivable

The balance of other accounts receivable is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Business agreements	44,436	22,859	21,812
Money transfer services	26,587	-	-
Promotional coupons	10,267	10,457	10,382
Distributors	8,223	8,472	14,193
Other	6,585	8,897	14,751
Shipments	6,283	599	112
Tax claims	2,442	2,652	2,652
Rent instalments receivable	140	190	48
Total accounts receivable	104,963	54,126	63,950

# Note 7.3 Trade receivables and other accounts receivable classified as current and non-current

The balance of trade receivables and other accounts receivable classified as current and non-current is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Current			
Sales on credit cards and other	71,951	75,798	72,212
Business agreements	44,436	22,859	21,812
Employee funds	34,214	22,086	13,076
Money transfer services	26,587		
Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A.	19,212	21,210	23,090
Promotional coupons	10,267	10,457	10,382
Distributors	8,223	8,472	14,193
Shipments	6,283	599	112
Other	5,378	7,928	13,848
Tax claims	2,442	2,652	2,652
Rent instalments receivable	140	190	48
Impairment loss	(11,391)	(10,096)	(3,868)
Total non-current accounts receivable	217,742	162,155	167,557
Non-current			
Employee funds	18,502	15,412	14,843
Other	1,207	969	903
Total non-current accounts receivable	19,709	16,381	15,746
Total accounts receivable	237,451	178,536	183,303

#### Note 7.4 Trade receivables and other accounts receivable by age

The aging of trade receivables and other receivables, irrespective of impairment, for each period reported is as follows:

			Overdue			
Years	Total	Not due	< 30 days	31 - 60 days	61 - 90 days	> 90 days
2015	248,842	140,380	38,820	2,799	15,966	50,877
2014	188,632	74,397	39,674	24,637	17,912	32,012
January 2014	187,171	85,474	35,415	23,867	13,064	29,351

## Note 8. Accounts receivable from and accounts payable to related parties

Transactions with related parties refer to the sale of goods, loans granted and purchase of goods for sale. The balance of accounts receivable from and accounts payable to related parties is as follows:

	Accounts receivable			Accounts payable		
	2015	2014	January 2014	2015	2014	January 2014
Controlling entity (1)	204	862	708	61,477	41,969	41,185
Subsidiaries (2)	66,665	24,376	14,062	89,441	66,644	46,522
Associates (3)	-	24,537	-	-	1,020	-
Key management personnel (4)	78	117	78	-	-	-
Members of the Board	-	-	-	1	-	6
Grupo Casino companies (5)	4,842	4,382	3,306	4,839	7,265	13,163
Other related parties (6)	98	100	90	1,861	1,343	2,168
Total	71,887	54,374	18,244	157,619	118,241	103,044

- (1) Accounts payable to the controlling entity arise from consultancy and technical assistance services provided by Casino Guichard-Perrachon S.A. and Geant International B.V.
- (2) Accounts receivable from subsidiaries at December 31, 2015 include: Direct operations of Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S where Almacenes Éxito S.A. acts as payer to third parties under a mandate agreement in amount of \$25,319 (2014 \$16,684 and January 1, 2014 \$6,436); sale of goods to Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S in amount of \$19,007, collection of profits declared receivable from Special Equity Trust Deposits \$12,406 (2014 \$5,697 and January 1, 2014 \$6,741), sale of goods and loans to Gemex O y W S.A.S \$8,147 (2014 \$1,707) and all other subsidiaries in amount of \$1,786 (2014 \$288 and January 1, 2014 \$885). Accounts payable to subsidiaries at December 31, 2015 include: For purchase of goods, to Distribuidora de Textiles y Confecciones S.A. in amount of \$71,462 (2014 \$61,639 and January 1, 2014 \$43,854), Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S corporate phone plans and recharge services in amount of \$7,046 (2014 \$645 and January 1, 2014 \$265), dividends received in advance from Carulla Vivero Holding Inc. \$4,778 (2014 \$3,629 and January 1, 2014 \$123), freight services rendered by Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S in amount of \$3,178, lease agreement installments payable to Patrimonios Autónomos in amount of \$1,452 (2014 \$731 and January 1, 2014 \$2,280) and Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S in amount of \$1,525.

For 2014, Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S. was classified as investment in an associate. From August 31, 2015 onwards, with the business combination of the Brazil and Argentina operations through subsidiary Onper Investment 2015 S.L., control of such investment was gained and the investment was classified as a subsidiary. For 2015, accounts receivable from the sale of goods to this Company are shown under the subsidiaries line item.

(3) Accounts receivable from associates refer to the sale of goods to Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S. during 2014.

- (4) Transactions between the Almacenes Éxito S.A. and key management personnel, including legal representatives and/or administrators, mainly relate to labor agreements entered into between the parties.
- (5) Accounts receivable from and payable to Grupo Casino companies mainly arise from the purchase of goods and energy optimization services.
- (6) Costs and expenses with other related parties refer to transactions with companies where the shareholders are the beneficial owners of 10% or more of total outstanding shares, members of the Board, legal representatives and/or administrators having a direct or indirect interest equal to or higher than 10% of outstanding shares.

### Note 9. Inventories

The detail of inventories is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Inventories available for sale	1,117,890	1,128,005	927,899
Inventories in transit	24,266	24,071	14,411
Materials, small spares, accesories and packaging material	14,736	12,303	15,634
Raw materials	3,281	2,278	2,163
Product in process	2,832	1,859	1,861
Inventories of property under construction (1)	1,897	-	-
Inventory impairment	(23,096)	(15,419)	(15,419)
Total inventories	1,141,806	1,153,097	946,549

(1) Relate to buildings in process of construction, to be traded through real estate projects.

The information related with the cost of sales, impairment and reversals of impairment recognized in inventories is shown in Note 27 Cost of sales.

The inventories are not subject to limitation or liens that restrict negotiability or realization thereof, and have been duly insured against all risks.

#### Note 10. Other financial assets

The balance of other financial assets is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Financial assets measured at amortized cost (1)	136,166	136,397	137,819
Derivative financial instruments (2)	67,027	20,344	111
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (3)	1,046	9,691	1,034
Financial assets measured at fair value through income (4)	965	975	893
Total other financial assets	205,204	167,407	139,857
Current	67,027	20,344	1,486
Non-current	138,177	147,063	138,371

<sup>(1)</sup> Financial assets measured at fair value are investments in bonds issued by Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A., which the Company has the intention and capability of maintaining until maturity. These investments are part of Tarjeta Éxito corporate collaboration agreement, with nominal value of \$134,500, with a term of 10 years and a yield of CPI + 2% plus the share of profit under the agreement.

(2) Derivative financial instruments reflect the fair value of forward contracts to cover the fluctuation in the exchange rates of liabilities. Reasonable values of these instruments are determined using valuation models, commonly used by market participants.

Derivative	Less than 1 month	From 1 to 3 months	From 3 to 6 months	Total
Forward	31,068	32,238	2,965	66,271
Swap	756	-	-	756
Total	31,824	32,238	2,965	67,027

(3) Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income are equity investments not held for trading. The fair value on each reporting date is:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Fogansa S.A.	798	798	798
Other minor equity investments	248	231	236
Cnova (3a)	-	8,663	-
Total	1,046	9,692	1,034

(3a) CNova is a subsidiary of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição – CBD. Until August 31, 2015, date of business combination of the Brazil and Argentina operations through subsidiary Onper Investments 2015 S.L., the investment in Cnova was classified as a financial instrument measured at fair value through other comprehensive income; as of such date, it is classified as an investment in subsidiary.

Dividend revenues from investments neither were received nor were any such investments sold during the reporting periods.

(4) Include investments in debt securities of Fondo Valorar Futuro to manage liquidity, which are measured at fair value based on the Fondo's unit value. Changes in fair value are recognized as revenue or expense in the statement of income.

There are no restrictions or liens on other financial assets that restrict the negotiability or realization thereof, exception made of the investment of the Company in Tuya S.A.'s bonds, which were issued as part of Tarjeta Éxito's shared advertisement agreement. Additionally, during the reporting periods none of investments was impaired.

## Nota 11. Non-current assets held for trading

Because of the agreements entered into with Comercializadora Giraldo y Gómez y Cía. S.A. and with the endorsement of the Superintendence of Industry and Trade (SIC), the parent acquired 19 trade establishments and the power to operate another 31, for a 5-year period, thus consolidating its leadership in the Valle del Cauca and Eje Cafetero regions. By means of Resolution No. 54416 of September 12, 2014, the Superintendence made 4 stores subject to the condition of being sold to a third party during the first quarter of 2015. (See Note 5 Business combinations for more details on the purchase option of the 31 operated stores).

In accordance with the above, two of the stores acquired in 2014 and under condition, were classified as a group of assets held for trading, given that:

- The book value of these assets will be recovered through sale and not through the use thereof;
- The assets are available for sale in their current condition;
- Company management undertook the actions required to complete the sale within one year, and The sale of these assets was required by a government controlling entity and approved by Group Management.

These assets were recognized at the fair value of \$6,740, estimated using the revenue approach.

Both trade establishments were disposed of in February 2015, by means of a funded sale, resulting in a loss of \$1,714 recognized in goodwill; the above, taking into consideration that the Company is in the period of measuring the business combination. Comercializadora Giraldo y Cia S.A. should have sold the remaining two trade establishments.

Note 12. Property, plant and equipment, net

The balance of property, plant and equipment is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Land	830,245	873,356	848,703
Buildings	1,151,186	1,151,222	1,108,493
Machinery and equipment	508,451	430,340	334,922
Furniture and fixtures	300,164	249,838	206,880
Assets under construction	168,934	106,498	92,942
Improvements to third party properties	222,654	163,628	135,407
Vehicles and transportation equipment	4,524	4,621	3,988
Other property, plant and equipment	125,824	90,562	52,281
Total gross property, plant and equipment	3,311,982	3,070,065	2,783,616
Accumulated depreciation	(350,930)	(169,720)	-
Total net property, plant and equipment	2,961,052	2,900,345	2,783,616

The movements of property, plant and equipment during the reporting periods are as follows:

Cost	Land	Buildings	Machinery and equipment	Furniture and fixtures	Assets under construction	Improvements to third party properties	Vehicles and transportation equipment	Other	Total
Balance at January 1, 2014	848,703	1,108,493	334,922	206,880	92,942	135,407	3,988	52,281	2,783,616
Acquisitions via business combinations	-	-	6,920	1,515	-	-	-	914	9,349
Additions	24,653	8,044	53,374	15,197	162,812	15,548	572	27,664	307,864
Decrease from transfers to investment property	-	-	-	-	(6,475)	-	-	-	(6,475)
Increase (decrease) from transfers from construction in progress	-	32,931	35,939	26,703	(141,556)	34,917	61	11,005	-
Decrease from transfers to other balance sheet accounts (1)	-	-	-	-	-	(18,175)	-	-	(18,175)
Other increase (decrease)	-	1,754	(815)	(457)	(1,225)	(4,069)	-	(1,302)	(6,114)
Balance at December 31, 2014	873,356	1,151,222	430,340	249,838	106,498	163,628	4,621	90,562	3,070,065
Acquisitions via business combinations	-	-	16,178	278	-	-	1	1,712	18,169
Additions	25,487	4,674	43,664	11,152	360,669	6,253	1,005	12,109	465,013
Decrease from transfer to investment property	-	-	-	-	(7,483)	-	-	-	(7,483)
Increase (decrease) from transfers from construction in progress	390	70,834	54,238	41,736	(290,750)	101,995	34	21,523	-
Increase (decrease) from transfers from (to) other balance sheet accounts	(66,235)	(62,754)	4	-	-	(41,020)	-	-	(170,005)
Disposition of property, plant and equipment	(855)	(3,450)	(734)	(647)	-	(6,751)	(1,136)	(59)	(13,632)
Disposals	(1,898)	(9,340)	(35,239)	(2,193)	-	(1,451)	(1)	(23)	(50,145)
Balance at December 31, 2015	830,245	1,151,186	508,451	300,164	168,934	222,654	4,524	125,824	3,311,982
Accumulated depreciation									
Balance at January 1, 2014	-	-	•	-	-	•		•	•
Depreciation expense/cost	-	34,953	56,032	35,789	-	28,383	877	15,534	171,568
Disposals	-	-	(85)	(82)	-	(1,581)	-	(45)	(1,793)
Other changes	-	14	(116)	97	-	5	-	(55)	(55)
Balance at December 31, 2014	-	34,967	55,831	35,804	-	26,807	877	15,434	169,720
Depreciation expense/cost	-	34,856	56,921	34,891	-	36,118	909	20,765	184,460
Other changes	-	(1,108)	(807)	(698)	-	(557)	(14)	(66)	(3,250)
Balance at December 31, 2015	-	68,715	111,945	69,997	•	62,368	1,772	36,133	350,930

Assets under construction are represented by those assets not ready for their intended use as expected by Company management, and on which costs directly attributable to the construction process continue to be capitalized.

At December 31, 2015, the amounts transferred to other balance sheet accounts mainly refer to: i) contributions of land to the special trust deposits Viva Barranquilla and Viva Wajira totaling \$57,154 and \$9,081 respectively; ii) contributions of buildings to the special trust deposits Viva Barranquilla and Viva Wajira for \$44,015 and \$18,739 respectively, and iii) contributions of improvements on third party's property to the special trust deposits Viva Barranquilla, Viva Villavicencio and Viva Sincelejo in amounts of \$37,357, \$3,632 and \$31 respectively. At December 31, 2014, the amounts transferred to other balance sheet accounts mainly refer to contributions of improvements on third party's property to the special trust deposits Viva Villavicencio and Viva Sincelejo for \$17,195 and \$980 respectively. (See Note 16 Investments accounted for using the equity method).

The book value of property, plant and equipment under financial lease for the periods reported is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Machinery and equipment	707	23,932	5,202
Other property, plant and equipment	14,907	15,695	-
Total assets under finance lease	15,614	39,627	5,202

No provisions for dismantling or similar provisions are included in the cost of assets, since after assessment the company determined that there are no legal or contractual obligations requiring such estimations at the time of acquisition thereof.

There are no limitations or liens imposed on property, plant and equipment that restrict realization or negotiability thereof. For the periods reported, the Company has no commitments to acquire, construct or develop property, plant and equipment.

Compensation received from third parties arising from the damage or loss of assets are detailed in Note 29 Other operating revenue and expense and other net income.

During the periods reported in these financial statements there was no impairment of property, plant and equipment. Information about the methodology applied to test for impairment is contained in Note 33 Impairment testing of assets.

## Note 13. Investment property, net

The Company's investment properties are business premises and plots of land held to generate income from operating lease activities or future appreciation of the price thereof. The balance of investment properties is made as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Land	32,996	41,284	48,713
Buildings	66,850	58,873	73,713
Total investment property, gross	99,846	100,157	122,426
Accumulated depreciation	(3,404)	(1,622)	-
Total investment property, net	96,442	98,535	122,426

The movement of investment property during the period is as follows:

Cost	Land	Buildings	Total
Balance at January 1, 2014	48,713	73,713	122,426
Dispositions	(7,429)	(21,316)	(28,745)
Transfers from property, plant and equipment	-	6,476	6,476
Balance at December 31, 2014	41,284	58,873	100,157
Additions	-	609	609
Transfers from property, plant and equipment	-	7,483	7,483
Transfers to inventories	(8,275)	-	(8,275)
Other changes	(13)	(115)	(128)
Balance at December 31, 2015	32,996	66,850	99,846
Accumulated depreciation			
Balance at January 1, 2014			
Depreciation expense	-	2,282	2,282
Dispositions		(660)	(660)
Balance at December 31, 2014	•	1,622	1,622
Depreciation expense	-	1,787	1,787
Transfer to/from property, plant and equipment		(2)	(2)
Other changes	-	(3)	(3)
Balance at December 31, 2015		3,404	3,404

Results from investment property during the reporting periods are as follows:

	2015	2014
Revenue from leases	10,641	7,280
Operation expenses related to revenue-generating investment properties	(1,750)	(1,688)
Operation expenses related to non-revenue-generating investment properties	(1,934)	(1,688)
Income from investment properties	6,957	3,904

Note 35 discloses the fair values of investment properties, based on the appraisal carried out by an independent third party.

There are no limitations or liens imposed on investment property that restrict realization or negotiability thereof. For the reporting periods included in these financial statements, the Company has no commitments to acquire, build or develop investment properties, or to repair, maintain or improve such properties. In addition, the Company has not received compensations from third parties arising from the damage or loss of investment properties. Information about the methodology applied to test for impairment is contained in Note 33 Impairment testing of assets.

#### Note 14. Goodwill

The balance of goodwill refers to the following business combinations:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Carulla Vivero S.A. (1)	827,420	827,420	827,420
Super Inter (2)	453,649	179,412	-
Cafam (3)	122,219	-	-
Other (4)	49,789	49,789	49,309
Total	1,453,077	1,056,621	876,729

- (1) Refers to the business combination carried out in 2007 with the merger of Carulla Vivero S.A. The value represents the cost attributed in the opening balance sheet, in exercise of the exemption of not to restate business combinations.
- (2) Represents the acquisition of 46 trade establishments under the banner Super Inter, of which 19 were acquired at the end of 2014 and the remaining 29 in April 2015. It also includes the acquisition of 7 trade establishments between February 23, 2015 and June 24, 2015, and the loss from the sale of two assets under condition acquired in the business combination in amount of \$1,714. (See note 5 Business combinations and Note 11 Non-current assets held for trading).
- (3) Refers to the agreement executed on February 23, 2015, to acquire Cafam stores that had been operated by the Company since 2010. (See Note 5 Business combinations). The trade establishments acquired were subsequently turned into Éxito, Carulla and Surtimax stores, and for impairment testing purposes such goodwill was allocated as follows at December 31, 2015: \$80,134 to Éxito, \$29,075 to Carulla and \$13,010 to Surtimax. (See Note 33 Impairment testing of assets).
- (4) Refers to the non-significant acquisition of trade establishments that subsequently were turned into Éxito, Carulla and Surtimax stores, and for impairment testing purposes such goodwill was allocated as follows at December 31, 2015: \$10,540 to Éxito, \$28,566 to Surtimax and \$10,683 to Súper Inter. (See Note 33 Impairment testing of assets).

In accordance with the above-mentioned business combinations, the movement of goodwill was as follows:

Balance at January 1, 2014	876,729
Additions from business combinations	179,892
Balance at December 31, 2014	1,056,621
Additions from business combinations	396,456
Balance at December 31, 2015	1,453,077

During the periods reported in these consolidated financial statements there was no impairment of goodwill. Information about the methodology applied to test for impairment is contained in Note 33 Impairment testing of assets.

Note 15. Intangible assets other than goodwill, net

The balance of intangible assets other than goodwill is made as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Trademarks (1)	81,131	17,427	17,427
Computer software (2)	94,631	65,043	35,515
Rights (3)	4,499	4,499	-
Other (4)	1,522	12,904	26,483
Total intangible assets other than goodwill, gross	181,783	99,873	79,425
Accumulated amortization	(41,668)	(18,454)	-
Total intangible assets other than goodwill, net	140,115	81,419	79,425

The movement of intangible assets other than goodwill during the period is:

Cost	Trademarks (1)	Computer software (2)	Rights (3)	Other (4)	Total
Balance at January 1, 2014	17,427	35,515		26,483	79,425
Additions	-	36,930	-	-	36,930
Acquisitions via business combinations	-	-	4,499	-	4,499
Transfers	-	(7,402)	-	(13,334)	(20,736)
Disposals and derecognition	-	-	-	(275)	(275)
Other changes	-	-	-	30	30
Balance at December 31, 2014	17,427	65,043	4,499	12,904	99,873
Acquisitions via business combinations	63,704	-	-	-	63,704
Additions	-	30,013	-	-	30,013
Transfers	-	(282)	-	(5,616)	(5,898)
Disposals and derecognition	-	(143)		(5,766)	(5,909)
Balance at December 31, 2015	81,131	94,631	4,499	1,522	181,783
Accumulated amortization					
Balance at January 1, 2014	•	•	•	-	
Amortization expense/cost	-	17,851	504	560	18,915
Transfers	-	(462)	-	1	(461)
Balance at December 31, 2014		17,389	504	561	18,454
Amortization expense/cost	-	18,268	3,995	932	23,195
Transfers	-	23	-	(2)	21
Disposals and derecognition	-	(2)	-	-	(2)
Balance at December 31, 2015	•	35,678	4,499	1,491	41,668

<sup>(1)</sup>Relate to Surtimax trademark in amount of \$17,427 acquired in the merger with Carulla Vivero S.A., and Super Inter trademark in amount of \$63,704 acquired in the business combination with Comercializadora Giraldo Gómez y Cía S.A. (See note 5 Business combinations). Such trademarks have indefinite useful life on the grounds of the Company's considerations thereon.

(2)Include a finance lease with Leasing Bancolombia on the telephone plant software license, with book value of \$441 at December 31, 2015.

(3)Relates to the recognition of the contract entered into with Comercializadora Giraldo y Cia S.A. regarding the use for no consideration of the Super Inter trademark between October 2014 and April 1, 2015, date on which the business combination of 29 trade establishments and the Super Inter trademark

was completed. (See Note 5 Business combinations).

(4)This value includes the amount delivered to Cafam to acquire its stores, which had been operated by Almacenes Éxito since September 2010. The business combination was completed on May 23, 2015 for \$122,219 (See Note 5 Business combinations). The relevant book value at December 31, 2014 was \$5,490 and at January 1, 2014 was \$18,446.

No limitations or liens have been imposed on the reported intangible assets that restrict realization or negotiability thereof. For the reported periods, the Company has neither commitments to acquire or develop intangible assets, nor impairment losses. Information about the methodology applied to test for impairment is contained in Note 33 Impairment testing of assets.

## Note 16. Investments accounted for using the equity method, net

The balance of investments accounted for using the equity method is made as follows:

Companies	Classification	2015	2014	January 2014
Onper Investment 2015 S.L.	Subsidiary	5,031,931	-	-
Spice Investment Mercosur S.A.	Subsidiary	2,199,763	1,812,145	1,694,435
Distribuidora de Textiles y Confecciones S.A.	Subsidiary	152,409	150,579	145,982
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Villavicencio	Subsidiary	111,121	104,504	69,857
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Barranquilla	Subsidiary	99,857	-	-
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Laureles	Subsidiary	93,667	95,797	99,580
Patrimonio Autónomo Centro Comercial	Subsidiary	59,403	64,520	64,067
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Wajira	Subsidiary	53,337	-	-
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Sincelejo	Subsidiary	43,857	46,170	42,198
Patrimonio Autónomo San Pedro Etapa I	Subsidiary	18,375	20,473	19,729
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Palmas	Subsidiary	12,989	-	-
Cnova N.V.	Subsidiary	9,222	-	-
Carulla Vivero Holding Inc.	Subsidiary	4,685	3,560	69
Fideicomiso Girardot plot of land	Subsidiary	3,850	3,850	3,849
Patrimonio Autónomo Iwana	Subsidiary	3,348	3,174	2,751
Éxito Viajes y Turismo S.A.S	Subsidiary	2,223	464	501
Patrimonio Autónomo Local 108 (Vizcaya)	Subsidiary	614	628	4,960
Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S.	Subsidiary	-	-	-
Gemex O & W S.A.S.	Subsidiary	-	1,017	1,025
Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S.	Subsidiary	-	618	-
Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S.	Subsidiary	-	9,066	-
Fideicomiso Del Este	Joint venture	-	4,116	6,563
Total		7,900,651	2,320,681	2,155,566

Below is additional information on investments accounted for using the equity method:

				Ownership Number o		f shares	
Subsidiaries	Country	Functional currency	Core economic activity	2015	2014	2015	2014
Onper Investment 2015 S.L.	Spain	Euro	Holding	100	-	3.000	-
Spice Investment Mercosur S.A.	Uruguay	Uruguayan peso	Holding	100	100	6,550,177,757	6,550,177,757
Distribuidora de Textiles y Confecciones S.A.	Colombia	Colombian peso	Textile	97.75	97.75	7,820,000	7,820,000
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Villavicencio	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	51	51	N/A	N/A
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Barranquilla	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	92.52	-	N/A	N/A
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Laureles	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	80	80	N/A	N/A
Patrimonio Autónomo Centro Comercial	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	51	51	N/A	N/A
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Wajira	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	100	-	N/A	N/A
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Sincelejo	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	51	51	N/A	N/A
Patrimonio Autónomo San Pedro Etapa I	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	51	51	N/A	N/A
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Palmas	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	51	-	N/A	N/A
Cnova N.V.	Holland	Euro	Trade	0.15	0.15	659.383	659.383
Carulla Vivero Holding Inc.	British Virgin Islands	Colombian peso	Investment	100	100	385.900	385.900
Fideicomiso Girardot plot of land	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	100	100	N/A	N/A
Patrimonio Autónomo Iwana	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	51	51	N/A	N/A
Éxito Viajes y Turismo S.A.S	Colombia	Colombian peso	Services	51	100	2,500,000	500.000
Patrimonio Autónomo Local 108 (Vizcaya)	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	100	100	N/A	N/A
Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S.	Colombia	Colombian peso	Investment	100	100	300.000	300.000
Gemex O & W S.A.S.	Colombia	Colombian peso	Trade	85	85	345.903	345.903
Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S.	Colombia	Colombian peso	Transport	100	100	616.000	616.000
Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S.	Colombia	Colombian peso	Trade	49	49	1,575,343	1,575,343
Fideicomiso Del Este	Colombia	Colombian peso	Real Estate	50	50	N/A	N/A

The corporate purpose of the companies mentioned is:

Onper Investments 2015 S.L., Parent of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição Group – CBD (Brazil) wherein it has a 18.76% share of capital and 49.97% of voting rights, and of Libertad S.A. Group (Argentina) of which it owns 100% of the capital.

The company's corporate purpose is to carry out the following activities, in Spain and abroad:

- Manage and administer securities representing the funds of non-resident entities in Spanish territory, through the organization of material and human resources. CNAE Code 66.30/64.20.
- Purchase, subscribe, hold, manage, administer, barter and sell domestic and foreign movable securities on its own without intermediation, through the organization of material and human resources. CNAE Code 66.12.
- Promote and develop all kinds of real estate, urban or soil management plans, whether for industrial, commercial or housing purposes. This shall include purchasing, holding, managing, administering, bartering and selling of all kinds of real estate assets. CNAE Code 4110 and 683.2.
- Perform all kinds of economic, financial and commercial surveys, as well as real estate-related surveys including those regarding the management, administration, merger and concentration of companies, and the provision of trade and entrepreneurial services. CNAE Code 69.20.
- Exception is made of activities reserved by Law to Collective Investments Institutions, as well as those expressly reserved by the Stock Exchange Law to stockbroking agents and/or companies.
- Should legal provisions require a certain professional title, administrative authorization or filing with public registers to perform any of the activities included in the corporate purpose, such activities shall be carried out by individuals holding such title and, as the case may be, shall not be initiated without compliance with administrative requirements.

The company may carry out the mentioned activities, in full or in part, indirectly through investments in other companies having the same or similar corporate purpose as that described above, or under any form pursuant to the Law.

**Spice Investments Mercosur S.A.**, a Uruguayan closed stock corporation, with nominative shares, was acquired in September 2011. Its core purpose is investing in general, pursuant to section 47 of Uruguayan law 16.060, and it may develop investment activities in the country and abroad. Its main place of business is in Montevideo, at Avenida General José María Paz N° 1404.

Distribuidora de Textiles y Confecciones S.A. "DIDETEXCO S.A.", was incorporated on July 13, 1976 by means of public deed 1138 granted before the Notary Seventh of Medellín. Its corporate purpose is to acquire, store, transform, manufacture and sell, and in general distribute in whatever form all kinds of locally-produced or imported textiles, and acquire, give or take under lease agreements property intended for establishing stores, shopping malls or other places suitable for the distribution of merchandise and the sale of goods or services. Its main place of business is in the municipality of Envigado, Colombia, at carrera 48 N° 32 Sur - 29. The life span of the company goes to July 13, 2026.

Éxito Viajes y Turismo S.A.S., was incorporated on May 30, 2013, pursuant to Colombian laws; its corporate purpose is the exploitation of tourism-related activities, as well as the representation of the tourism industry and the opening of travel agencies whatever its nature and the promotion of domestic and international tourism. Its main place of business is in the municipality of Envigado, Colombia, at carrera 48 N° 32B Sur - 139. The life span of the company is indefinite.

Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S. was incorporated by private document on September 27, 2010. Its corporate purpose is:

- Incorporate, fund, promote, invest on its own or with other individuals or legal entities in the incorporation of companies, enterprises or businesses which core activity is the manufacture or trading of goods, things, merchandise, articles or elements, or the provision of services related to the exploitation of commercial establishments, and participate in such companies as associate, through contributions in cash, in kind or in services.
- Promote, invest on its own or with other individuals or legal entities in the provision of telecommunication networks, services and value chain, particularly in all activities legally permitted in Colombia or abroad, related with telecommunications, mobile telephone and added value services. Its main place of business is in the municipality of Envigado, Colombia, at carrera 48 N° 32B Sur 139. The life span of the company is indefinite.

**Gemex O & W S.A.S.** was incorporated on March 12, 2008; its corporate purpose is the trading of goods through alternate sales channels, e.g. direct sales or catalogue sales. Its main place of business is in the municipality of Envigado, Colombia, at carrera 43 N° 31- 166.

Carulla Vivero Holding Inc. was incorporated on September 14, 2000 under the laws of the British Virgin Islands; its corporate purpose is carrying out businesses to invest, buy, hold, acquire at any title, sell, assign and manage any chattels or real estate not forbidden or regulated by the laws of the British Virgin Islands.

**Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S.,** was incorporated on May 23, 2014 pursuant to laws of Colombia; its corporate purpose is the provision of air, land, maritime, fluvial, railway and multimodal domestic and international freight services for all kinds of goods in general. Its main place of business is in the municipality of Envigado, Colombia, at carrera 48 N° 32B Sur - 139. The life span of the company is indefinite.

Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Laureles was created on May 31, 2012 as a special trust deposit pursuant to the law, through Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. Its business purpose is to operate Viva Laureles shopping mall, including maintaining legal title to the building; execute lease agreements and the extension, renewal, amendment and termination of such agreements in accordance with the instructions received from the Company in its capacity as real estate administrator; manage resources, make payments as required to administer and operate the business premises and other units that are part thereof. The main place of business of the shopping mall is in the municipality of Medellín, Colombia at carrera 81 No. 37 - 100.

**Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Sincelejo** was created on May 8, 2013 as a special trust deposit pursuant to the law, through Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. Its business purpose is to operate Viva Sincelejo shopping mall, including maintaining legal title to the building; execute lease agreements and the extension, renewal, amendment and termination of such agreements in accordance with the instructions received from the Company in its capacity as real estate administrator; manage resources, make payments as required to administer and operate the business premises and other units that are part thereof. The main place of business of the shopping mall is in the municipality of Sincelejo, Colombia at carrera 25 No. 23 - 49.

Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Villavicencio was created on April 1, 2013 as a special trust deposit pursuant to the law, through Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. Its business purpose is to operate Viva Villavicencio shopping mall, including maintaining legal title to the building; execute lease agreements and the extension, renewal, amendment and termination of such agreements in accordance with the instructions received from the Company in its capacity as real estate administrator; manage resources, make payments as required to administer and operate the business premises and other units that are part thereof. The main place of business of the shopping mall is in the municipality of Villavicencio, Colombia at calle 7A No. 45 - 185.

Patrimonio Autónomo San Pedro Etapa I was created on June 30, 2005 as a special trust deposit pursuant to the law, through Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. Its business purpose is to operate San Pedro Plaza shopping mall, including maintaining legal title to the building; execute lease agreements and the extension, renewal, amendment and termination of such agreements in accordance with the instructions given by trustors to the real estate administrator retained; manage resources, make payments as required to administer and operate the business premises and other units that are part thereof. The main place of business of the shopping mall is in the municipality of Neiva, Colombia at carrera 8 between calles 38 and 48.

Patrimonio Autónomo San Pedro Etapa II was created on December 1, 2010 as a special trust deposit pursuant to the law, through Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. Its business purpose is to operate San Pedro Plaza Etapa II shopping mall, including maintaining legal title to the building; execute lease agreements and the extension, renewal, amendment and termination of such agreements in accordance with the instructions given by trustors to the real estate administrator retained; manage resources, make payments as required to administer and operate the business premises and other units that are part thereof. The main place of business of the shopping mall is in the municipality of Neiva, Colombia at carrera 8 between calles 38 and 48.

Patrimonio Autónomo Iwana was created on December 22, 2011 as a special trust deposit pursuant to the law, through Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. Its business purpose is to operate Iwana shopping mall, including maintaining legal title to the building; execute lease agreements and the extension, renewal, amendment and termination of such agreements in accordance with the instructions received from the Company in its capacity as real estate administrator; manage resources, make payments as required to administer and operate the business premises and other units that are part thereof. The main place of business of the shopping mall is in the municipality of Barrancabermeja, Colombia at carrera 11 No. 50 - 19.

Patrimonio Autónomo Centro Comercial Viva Barranquilla was created on December 23, 2014 as a special trust deposit pursuant to the law, through Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. Its business purpose during the development stage is to receive and maintain legal title to the building and to other buildings as Trustors may in future instruct or contribute; execute lease agreements and the extension, renewal, amendment and termination of such

agreements in accordance with the instructions received from the Company in its capacity as real estate administrator; manage resources, make payments as required to administer and operate the business premises and other units that are part thereof.

The main place of business of the shopping mall is in the municipality of Barranquilla, Colombia at carrera 51 B No. 87 - 50.

**Fideicomiso Lote Girardot** was acquired under an assignment of fiduciary rights on February 11, 2011, through Alianza Fiduciaria S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. Its purpose is to acquire ownership of the land in the name of the Company. Its main place of business is in the municipality of Girardot, Colombia, at carrera 10 and 11 with calle 25.

Patrimonio Autónomo Local 108 (Vizcaya) was acquired under an assignment of fiduciary rights on August 3, 2012, through Alianza Fiduciaria S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. Its business purpose is to receive and maintain legal title to the building; execute binding promises to sell-purchase as the promising seller or buyer; grant the use and enjoyment of the property under lease agreements to whom it be instructed; allocate the proceeds from lease installments and comply with payment instructions. The main place of business is in the municipality of Medellín, Colombia at calle 10 No. 32 - 115.

CDiscount Colombia S.A.S. was incorporated by private document on June 26, 2014. Its corporate purpose is: (I) Launching and operating e-commerce businesses in Colombia; (II) Entering into all kinds of agreements including, without limitation, lease, distribution, operation, association, sale-purchase, technical assistance, supply, inspection, control and services agreements, as required for the proper development of the corporate purpose; (III) Rendering all kinds of services including, without limitation, management, advisory, consultancy, technical assistance and representation agreements, as required for the proper development of the corporate purpose; and (IV) Carrying out any licit activity.

**CNova N.V.** was incorporated on May 30, 2014; its corporate purpose is participating or carrying out all activities and operations related with or suitable for e-commerce and regular trade, and the provision of services in the fields of retail sales, advertising, transportation, data communications, business advisory and business funding. Its main domicile is Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Patrimonio Autónomo Centro Comercial Viva Palmas, created on April 17, 2015 as a special trust deposit pursuant to the law, through Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. Its business purpose during the development stage is to receive and maintain legal title to the building and to other buildings as Trustors may in future instruct or contribute; execute lease agreements and the extension, renewal, amendment and termination of such agreements in accordance with the instructions received from the Company in its capacity as real estate administrator; manage resources, make payments as required to administer and operate the building. Its mail place of business is located in rural area of the municipality of Envigado, Colombia, with an extension of approximately 35,335.80.

Patrimonio Autónomo Centro Comercial Viva Wajira, created on November 4, 2015 as a special trust deposit pursuant to the law, through Fiduciaria Bancolombia S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. Its business purpose during the development stage is to receive and maintain legal title to the building and to other buildings as the Trustor may in future instruct or contribute; execute lease agreements and the extension, renewal, amendment and termination of such agreements in accordance with the instructions received from the Company in its capacity as real estate administrator; manage resources, make payments as required to administer and operate the business premises and other units that are part thereof. The main place of business of the shopping mall is the municipality of Riohacha, Colombia, at calle 15 No. 18-274.

**Fideicomiso Del Este** was acquired under an assignment of fiduciary rights on July 12, 2007, through Alianza Fiduciaria S.A. Sociedad Fiduciaria. Its purpose is to maintain legal title to the building, receive resources from the operation and from the trust deposit businesses in order to invest and manage them, grant the use and enjoyment of the property under lease agreements to lessees as instructed, and distribute the proceeds from lease installments. The main place of business is in the municipality of Medellín, Colombia at carrera 25 and calle 13.

Below is a detail of financial information on the companies that are measured under the equity method:

2015

	2013							
Companies	Current assets	Non- current assets	Current liabilities	Non- current liabilities	Shareholders' equity (1)	Revenue from ordinary activities	Income from continuing operations	Total comprehensive income
Onper Investment 2015 S.L.	20,676,653	19,994,780	20,787,360	7,040,507	12,843,566	20,618,581	(7,416)	(558,890)
Spice Investment Mercosur S.A.	744,061	2,073,721	630,607	74,238	2,112,937	2,162,401	90,476	188,388
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Villavicencio	28,456	215,351	19,307	-	224,500	23,380	15,209	15,209
Distribuidora de Textiles y Confecciones S.A.	102,470	105,195	29,895	12,760	165,010	147,057	1,801	1,806
Patrimonio Autónomo Centro Comercial	4,365	116,565	2,452	_	118,478	11,826	8,687	8,687
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Laureles	2,451	116,664	2,432	_	117,084	13,689	6,967	6,967
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva	2,401	110,004	2,001		117,004	13,003	0,507	0,501
Barranquilla	3,893	108,501	4,464	_	107,930	150	(804)	(804)
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Sincelejo	1,991	85,509	1,507	_	85,993	11,414	5,729	5,729
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Wajira	1,800	52,963	1,323	-	53,440	707	191	191
Patrimonio Autónomo San Pedro Etapa I Patrimonio Autónomo Viva	597	35,797	364	-	36,030	3,926	2,653	2,653
Palmas	430	25,470	430	-	25,470	213	187	187
Patrimonio Autónomo Iwana	82	6,546	64	-	6,564	522	198	198
Carulla Vivero Holding Inc.	4,776		91	-	4,685	-	-	-
Éxito Viajes y Turismo S.A.S	4,023	1,500	1,165	-	4,358	787	(507)	(507)
Fideicomiso Girardot plot of land	-	3,850	-	-	3,850	-	-	-
Cnova N.V.	3,955,329	2,062,683	5,389,525	133,429	495,058	3,032,540	(531,226)	(531,226)
Patrimonio Autónomo Local 108 (Vizcaya)	19	595	-	-	614	1	(14)	(14)
Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S.	2 202	4.440	0.500	-	(4.050)	04.475	(0.074)	
Gemex O & W S.A.S.	3,806	1,146	6,598	7	(1,653)	21,475	(2,271)	(2,271)
Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S.	7,787	975	12,092	-	(3,330)	12,133	(1,731)	(1,731)
Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S.	29,942	10,743	50,764	-	(10,079)	40,665	(25,844)	(25,844)
AIMAGENES LAILO INVENSIONES S.A.S.	9,437	5,131	26,622	-	(12,054)	19,467	(1,989)	(1,989)



Companies	Current assets	Non- current assets	Current liabilities	Non- current liabilities	Shareholders' equity (1)	Revenue from ordinary activities	Income from continuing operations	Total comprehensive income
Spice Investment Mercosur S.A.	358,012	714,576	214,965	-	857,623	671,842	68,902	138,160
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Villavicencio	10,853	206,714	6,042	_	211,525	8,713	5,537	5,537
Distribuidora de Textiles y Confecciones S.A.	101,208	107,903	35,150	10,757	163,204	178,705	6,142	6,142
Patrimonio Autónomo Centro		•	•	·				
Comercial	11,203	117,910	602	-	128,511	10,623	7,707	7,707
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Laureles	2,594	119,216	2,064	-	119,746	13,416	7,047	7,047
Patrimonio Autónomo Viva Sincelejo	8,407	87,405	5,282	-	90,530	10,372	5,184	5,184
Patrimonio Autónomo San Pedro								
Etapa I	3,800	36,626	282	-	40,144	3,862	2,739	2,739
Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S.	41,577	8,715	31,790	-	18,502	23,283	(13,648)	(13,648)
Fideicomiso Del Este	-	15,922	7,689	-	8,233	-	9	9
Patrimonio Autónomo Iwana	647	5,618	41	-	6,224	492	222	222
Fideicomiso Girardot plot of land	-	3,850	-	-	3,850	-	(2)	(2)
Carulla Vivero Holding Inc. Patrimonio Autónomo Local 108	3,719	-	159	-	3,560	3,586	3,476	3,476
(Vizcaya)	34	595	2	-	627	20	(76)	(76)
Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S.	618	-	-	-	618	-	2	2
Éxito Viajes y Turismo S.A.S	469	-	6	-	463	-	(37)	(37)
Gemex O & W S.A.S.	705	193	2,497	-	(1,599)	1,903	(1,662)	(1,662)
Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S.	2,376	5,253	17,693	-	(10,064)	11,022	(8,890)	(8,890)

(1) The companies showing a negative equity have accumulated losses that reduced their equity below 50% of capital, placing them in special grounds for dissolution pursuant to section 457 of the Code of Commerce. The management of subsidiaries are committed to undertake all measures as required to overcome this situation. The most significant measure is submitting to the forthcoming General Meeting of Shareholders to be held in March 2016 a business plan that allows the companies yield profits. Pursuant to legal regulations in force, the management of subsidiaries have a term until September 2016 to overcome the grounds for dissolution.

The companies in this situation at December 31, 2015 are:

- Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S. accrues losses amounting to \$16,889 and negative equity of \$12,054.
- Gemex O & W S.A.S. accrues losses amounting to \$3,737 and negative equity of \$3,330.
- Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S. accrues losses amounting to \$2,271 and negative equity of \$1,653.
- CDiscount Colombia S.A.S. accrues losses amounting to \$41,775 and negative equity of \$9,625.

There are no restrictions on the capability of the subsidiaries to transfer funds to the parent in the form of cash dividends, or loan repayments or advance payments. Additionally, the Company has no contingent assets incurred related to its participation therein. Constructive obligations acquired by the Company on behalf of subsidiaries, which losses are higher than the investment therein are described in Note 19 Other provisions.

There are no investments in associates and joint ventures with material participation for the reporting periods. For 2014, Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S. was classified as investment in an associate. From August 31, 2015 on, with the business combination of the Brazil and Argentina operations through subsidiary Onper Investment 2015 S.L., control of such investment was gained and the investment was classified as a subsidiary.

#### Note 17. Financial liabilities

Book balances are made as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Local currency			
Current			
Bank overdrafts (1)	-	-	95,149
Bank loans (2)	216,197	65	39
Finance leases (See note 34)	41	5,414	-
Total current financial liabilities in local currency	216,238	5,479	95,188
Non-current			
Bank loans (2)	2,486,352	-	-
Finance leases (See note 34)	1,149	20,381	4,996
Total non-current financial liabilities in local currency	2,487,501	20,381	4,996
Total financial liabilities in local currency	2,703,739	25,860	100,184
Foreign currency			
Current			
Put option (3)	310,323	-	-
Finance leases (See note 34)	2,200	-	-
Bank loans (2)	949	-	-
Total current financial liabilities in foreign currency	313,472		-
Non-current			
Finance leases (See note 34)	20,056	16,035	-
Bank loans (2)	1,404,190	-	-
Total non-current financial liabilities in foreign currency	1,424,246	16,035	-
Total financial liabilities in foreign currency	1,737,718	16,035	-
Total financial liabilities	4,441,457	41,895	100,184
Current	529,710	5,479	95,188
Non-current	3,911,747	36,416	4,996

- (1) Bank overdrafts mainly arise from checks drafted and not collected.
- (2) In August 2015, the Company entered into credit agreements with local banks in amount of \$3.25 trillion and with foreign banks in amount of \$1.21 trillion (USD\$400 million at the exchange rate of \$3,027.2) for the acquisition of the operations in Brazil and Argentina through the Spanish company Onper Investment S.L. Such credits are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, where transaction costs are included in amount of \$14,332.

Under both agreements, the Company commits to request approval from the banks if it requires to carry out the following transactions: encumber assets, enter into extraordinary agreements with any affiliated company, incur additional liabilities wherever the result is breach of the credit agreement and/or without prior authorization from creditors; creditors shall automatically grant authorization if the occurrence index is complied with, measured using the latest financial statements released by the Company, among other. (See Note 38 Financial risk management policy).

Back in December 2015, the Company restructured its financial debt, and repaid the credits with domestic banks for total \$1.4 trillion and with foreign banks for total \$1.34 trillion (USD\$400 million at the rate of \$3,337.68). It obtained new credit facilities from domestic banks in amount of \$838,000 million and from foreign banks totaling \$1.5 trillion (USD\$450 million at the rate of \$3,337.68). Such loans are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, including transaction costs in amount of \$20,254 million.

(3) The Company is party to a put option agreement with the holders of non-controlling investments of subsidiary Grupo Disco del Uruguay. The exercise price of the option is based on a previously determined formula, and the option can be exercised at any time. The current option for the period ended December 31, 2015 is measured at fair value.

Below is a detail of annual maturities discounted at present value of non-current bank loans and financial leases for the period ended December 31, 2015:

YEAR	TOTAL
2017	539,787
2018	1,835,092
2019	490,757
>2020	1,046,111
Total	3,911,747

### Note 17.1 Financial liability commitments

Its purpose is to ensure compliance with the financial clauses applicable to debt and loans obtained in August 2015 that define the capital structure requirements (covenants) and other debtor obligations. Failure to comply with such financial clauses would result in the bank's promptly claiming repayment of debt and loans. No failure to comply with financial clauses has been reported regarding any interest-bearing debt or loan during the period.

The Company has committed to pay in advance such obligations without accruing any prepayment commission or penalty, in the following events:

- (a) Sale of assets: When at any time during the term the Company dispose of its own assets, in one single or several transactions, which in the aggregate exceed 20% of the assets included in (i) 2014 financial statements, or (ii) the latest available annual financial statements, whichever is higher, it shall prepay an amount equivalent to 40% or 80% of the net proceeds of such sales, except (i) arising from disposals in the ordinary course of business, or (ii) if the net proceeds of the sale are reinvested in other assets within 12 months of receipt.
- (b) Insurance compensation: When at any time, during the term, the Company receive one or several insurance compensations as payment of one or several claims arising from the loss or damage or one or several of its assets, which aggregate amount exceed 20% of the assets included in the latest available annual financial statements, the Company shall prepay an amount equivalent to 40% or 80% of the net payments received, in accordance with the time when the prepayment is to be made, except if reinvestment of such resources begins within 18 months of receipt of the net cash compensation.
- (c) Prepayments under bridge loan contract: Wherever the Company intends to prepay any bank credit in foreign currency, the Company shall prepay the short-term trench in proportion to the amount prepaid to the bank credit in foreign currency, and in proportion to each creditor.

### Note 17.2 Obligations:

- (a) Financial: The Company is committed to maintain a financial leverage ratio of maximum 3.5x. Such ratio shall be measured annually on April 30 based on audited consolidated financial statements for each period.
- (b) Indebtedness: Refrain from: (i) Incurring new debts in the event of being in default of the financial liability and/or in the event that incurring the new debt would result in failure to comply with the existing financial liability, and (ii) incur additional debt without the authorization of creditors.

In the event that the Company intends to incur additional debt, it shall require the prior authorization of creditors, which shall be deemed automatically granted if the Company complies with the occurrence indicator, which shall be measured based on the latest separate financial statements submitted to the National Register of Securities and Issuers.

### Note 18. Employee benefit provisions

The balance of employee benefit provisions is:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Defined benefit plans (18.1)	25,259	21,217	21,756
Long-term benefits (18.2)	11,101	26,348	25,435
Total	36,360	47,565	47,191
Current	4,103	5,360	5,607
Non-current	32,257	42,205	41,584

### Note 18.1 Defined benefit plans and defined contribution plans

The Group has defined the following benefit plans:

### a. Retirement pension plan

Under the plan, an employee will receive, upon retirement, a certain annuity paid monthly as pension, pension adjustments pursuant to legal regulations, survivor's pension, assistance with funeral expenses and June and December bonuses established by law. Such amounts depend on factors such as employee age, time of service and salary. The Company is responsible for the payment of retirement pensions to employees who meet the following requirements: employees who at January 1, 1967 had served more than 20 years (full liability), and employees and former employees who at January 1, 1967 had served more than 10 years but less than 20 years (partial liability).

## b. Retroactive severance pay plan

Under the plan, employees will be paid upon retirement a retroactive amount as severance pay, after deduction of advance payments. Retroactivity of severance pay is estimated for those employees to whom labor laws applicable are those existing prior to Law 50 of 1990, and who did not move to the new system. This social benefit is calculated over the entire time of service, based on the latest salary earned.

### c. Old-age pension retirement bonus

Under the plan, wherever an employee meet the age and contribution requirements to obtain a retirement pension under the average defined benefit system, he was granted a cash bonus in accordance with the following range:

- Less than 10 years of service at the Company: \$1.5 million.
- Between 10 years and less than 20 years of service at the Company: \$2 million.
- Between 20 years and less than 30 years of service at the Company: \$3 million.
- 30 or more years of service at the Company: \$4 million.

Such benefit was modified during 2015, from a single one-time payment of \$1 million pesos upon retirement, to the bonus range described above.

#### d. Retirement bonus upon meeting of requirements to obtain a disability pension

Under the plan, wherever an employee is granted a disability pension by the relevant pension administration entity, he will be granted a single retirement bonus in amount of \$4 million, provided a loss of 50% or more of capacity for work was qualified during the term of the labor relation with the Company.

Such benefit was modified during 2015, from a payment of \$1 million to \$4 million pesos regardless of the time of service.

The old-age pension or disability pension bonus is granted under a collective bargain agreement.

Such benefits are estimated on an annual basis using the forecasted credit unit, or wherever there are material changes. There were no changes in the methods and assumptions used when preparing the sensitivity analysis in prior years.

Below are the main actuarial assumptions included in the latest valuation, as well as the reconciliation of movements for defined benefit plans:

	Retirement pensions	Retroactive severance pay	Retirement bonus upon vesting of old- age and disbility retirement benefit	Total
Balance at January 1, 2014	20,936	820		21,756
Cost of present service	-	27	-	27
Interest expense	1,405	56	-	1,461
Actuarial (gain) loss from changes in experience	(152)	39	-	(113)
Actuarial loss from financial assumptions	309	9	-	318
Benefits directly paid by the Company	(2,072)	(160)	-	(2,232)
Balance at December 31, 2014	20,426	791		21,217
Cost of present service	-	25	60	85
Interest expense	1,336	49	59	1,444
Actuarial loss from changes in experience	177	343	222	742
Actuarial gain from financial assumptions	(1,806)	(20)	(226)	(2,052)
Cost of past service	-	-	4,406	4,406
Benefits directly paid by the Company	(2,134)	(152)	(33)	(2,319)
Other changes	-	-	1,736	1,736
Balance at December 31, 2015	17,999	1,036	6,224	25,259

The main assumptions used to assess defined benefit plans are:

	2015		2014	January 2014
	Retroactive severance pay and retirement bonus upon vesting of old-age and disbility retirement benefit	Retirement pensions	Retroactive severance pay and retirement pensions	Retroactive severance pay and retirement pensions
Discount rate	7.30%	7.82%	6.90%	7.10%
Annual salary increase rate	3.25%	2.88%	3.25%	3.25%
Future annuity increase rate	0%	2.88%	3.25%	3.25%
Annual inflation rate	3.25%	2.88%	3.25%	3.25%
Death rate - men (years)	60-62	60-62	60-62	60-62
Death rate - women (years)	55-57	55-57	55-57	55-57
Death rate - men	0.001117%-0.034032%	0.001117%-0.034032%	0.001117%-0.034032%	0.001117%-0.034032%
Death rate - women	0.000627%-0.019177%	0.000627%-0.019177%	0.000627%-0.019177%	0.000627%-0.019177%

Employee turnover rates, disabilities and early retirements:

		Rates	
Years of service	2015	2014	January 2014
From 0 to less than 5	29.98%	29.98%	29.98%
From 5 to less than 10	14.60%	14.60%	14.60%
From 10 to less than 15	8.59%	8.59%	8.59%
From 15 to less than 20	6.41%	6.41%	6.41%
From 20 to less than 25	4.92%	4.92%	4.92%
25 and more	3.71%	3.71%	3.71%

A quantitative sensitivity analysis regarding a change in a key assumption would result in the following variation of the defined benefit net liability:

		2015				
Variation expressed in basis points	Retirement pensions	Retroactive severance pay	Retirement bonus upon vesting of old- age and disbility retirement benefit	Retirement pensions	Retroactive severance pay	Retirement bonus upon vesting of old- age and disbility retirement benefit
Discount rate + 25	(307)	(12)	(135)	(385)	(11)	N/A
Discount rate - 25	317	12	139	399	11	N/A
Discount rate + 50	(604)	(24)	(265)	(757)	(21)	N/A
Discount rate - 50	644	25	284	812	22	N/A
Discount rate + 100	(1,170)	(47)	(512)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Discount rate - 100	1,332	51	589	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual salary increase rate + 25	N/A	23	N/A	N/A	23	N/A
Annual salary increase rate - 25	N/A	(23)	N/A	N/A	(23)	N/A
Annual salary increase rate + 50	N/A	47	N/A	N/A	47	N/A
Annual salary increase rate - 50	N/A	(45)	N/A	N/A	(46)	N/A
Annual salary increase rate + 100	N/A	94	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual salary increase rate - 100	N/A	(89)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Contributions foreseen by the Company for the forthcoming years, funded with own resources will be:

	Ret	tirement pensions		Retroactive severance pay			bonus upon vesting of old- age and disbility retirement benefit	
Year	2015	2014	January 2014	2015	2014	January 2014	2015	
2014	-	-	2,285	-	-	57	-	
2015	-	2,010	2,279	-	40	13	-	
2016	2,113	1,997	2,286	87	60	80	322	
2017	2,071	1,974	2,263	96	69	74	370	
2018	2,047	1,951	2,237	128	101	123	467	
2019	2,038	1,942	10,842	169	136	534	551	
>2019	32,960	31,163	-	1,059	803	-	12,027	
Total contributions	41,229	41,037	22,192	1,539	1,209	881	13,737	

Retirement

The average duration of the liability for defined benefit plans at December 31, 2015 is 8 years (at December 31, 2014 was 7 years and at January 1, 2014 was 7.9 years).

The Company has no specific assets intended for guaranteeing the defined benefit plans.

The defined contribution plan expense at December 31, 2015 amounted to \$60,837 (2014 \$52,706).

### Note 18.2 Long-term benefits

The long-term benefit plan involves a time-of-service bonus payable to the employees.

Such benefits are estimated on an annual basis using the forecasted credit unit, or wherever there are material changes. There were no changes in the methods and assumptions used when preparing the sensitivity analysis in prior years.

During 2015, the Company agreed with several employees to eliminate the time-of-service bonus, and granted a single special bonus to those who voluntarily accepted such elimination.

Below are the main actuarial assumptions included in the latest valuation, as well as the reconciliation of movements:

Balance at January 1, 2014	25,435
Cost of present service	1,429
Interest expense	1,690
Actuarial loss from changes in experience	1,060
Actuarial loss from financial assumptions	297
Benefits directly paid by the Company	(3,563)
Balance at December 31, 2014	26,348
Cost of present service	1,064
Interest expense	1,357
Actuarial loss from changes in experience	8
Actuarial gain from financial assumptions	(238)
Gain from settlements	(15,246)
Benefits directly paid by the Company	(2,192)
Balance at December 31, 2015	11,101

The main assumptions used to assess long-term benefit plans are:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Discount rate	7.30%	6.90%	7.10%
Annual salary increase rate	3.25%	3.25%	3.25%
Future annuity increase rate	0%	0%	0%
Annual inflation rate	3.25%	3.25%	3.25%
Death rate - men	0.001117%-0.034032%	0.001117%-0.034032%	0.001117%-0.034032%
Death rate - women	0.000627%-0.019177%	0.000627%-0.019177%	0.000627%-0.019177%

Employee turnover rates, disabilities and early retirements:

		Rates	
Years of service	2015	2014	January 2014
From 0 to less than 5	29.98%	29.98%	29.98%
From 5 to less than 10	14.60%	14.60%	14.60%
From 10 to less than 15	8.59%	8.59%	8.59%
From 15 to less than 20	6.41%	6.41%	6.41%
From 20 to less than 25	4.92%	4.92%	4.92%
25 and more	3.71%	3.71%	3.71%

A quantitative sensitivity analysis regarding a change in a key assumption would result in the following variation of the long-term benefit net liability:

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Variation expressed in basis points	2015	2014
Discount rate + 25	(144)	(370)
Discount rate - 25	148	380
Discount rate + 50	(285)	(731)
Discount rate - 50	299	771
Discount rate + 100	(556)	N/A
Discount rate - 100	614	N/A
Annual salary increase rate + 25	153	394
Annual salary increase rate - 25	(150)	(385)
Annual salary increase rate + 50	310	796
Annual salary increase rate - 50	(297)	(761)
Annual salary increase rate + 100	634	N/A
Annual salary increase rate - 100	(583)	N/A

Contributions foreseen by the Company for the forthcoming years, funded with own resources will be:

Year	2015	2014	January 2014
2014	-	-	3,265
2015	-	3,310	2,958
2016	1,581	3,660	3,403
2017	1,605	3,319	3,094
2018	1,362	3,045	2,835
2019	1,367	2,791	11,567
>2019	11,704	11,714	-
Total contributions	17,619	27,839	27,122

The average duration of the liability for long-term benefits at December 31, 2015 is 5.6 years (at December 31, 2014 was 5.8 years and at January 1, 2014 was 6.6 years).

The Group has no devoted specific assets to guarantee payment of the time-of-service bonus.

Note 19. Other provisions

The balance of other provisions is made as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Legal proceedings	26,853	33,704	24,297
Taxes other than income tax	8,812	9,409	9,163
Restructuring	8,295	14,500	-
Other	33,752	18,374	2,322
Total other provisions	77,712	75,987	35,782
Current	69,192	62,773	35,782
Non-current	8,520	13,214	-

The movement of provisions during the period is as follows:

	Legal proceedings (1)	Taxes other than income tax (2)	Restructuring (3)	Other (4)	Total
Balance at January 1, 2014	24,297	9,163		2,322	35,782
Increase	14,735	286	14,500	17,371	46,892
Uses	(5,328)	(40)	-	(1,319)	(6,687)
Balance at December 31, 2014	33,704	9,409	14,500	18,374	75,987
Increase	11,106	2,112	7,985	46,017	67,220
Uses	(10,643)	(2,385)	(14,089)	(25,692)	(52,809)
Reversals (not used)	(10,314)	(324)	(101)	(4,947)	(15,686)
Increase from the passing of time	3,000	-	-	-	3,000
Balance at December 31, 2015	26,853	8,812	8,295	33,752	77,712

## Provisions are made of:

- (1) Provisions for lawsuits are recognized to cover estimated potential losses arising from lawsuits brought against the Company, as follows: labor claims, in amount of \$19,211 (2014 \$25,017, January 2014 \$10,282) and civil claims, in amount of \$7,642 (2014 \$8,687, January 2014 \$14,015), assessed based on the best estimation of cash outflows required to settle the liability on the date of preparation of the financial statements.
- (2) The provisions for taxes other than income tax relate to Industry and trade tax and supplementary advertisement and boards tax in amount of \$3,256 (2014 \$3,330, January 2014 \$3,044), real estate tax in amount of \$5,556 (2014 \$6,079, January 2014 \$5,579), and other taxes in January 2014 in amount of \$540.
- (3) The restructuring provision relates to reorganization processes announced to employees at the stores and distribution centers that will affect Company's activities. The value of the provision is estimated based on the cash outflows required directly associated with the restructuring plan. The disbursement and plan implementation date are expected to be in 2016. The restructuring provision was recognized in the statement of income as other expenses.

(4) Mainly relate to liabilities carried to recognize additional subsidiary losses exceeding the value of the amount invested in them by the Company. Company management has decided to carry such liability to recognize cash outflows probably required to settle these subsidiaries' liabilities. The detail of this provision is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S.	12,055	10,065	1,174
Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S.	4,939	-	-
Gemex	1,813	1,359	-
Logística y Transporte	1,653	-	-
Total	20,460	11,424	1,174

The remaining balance of other provision relates to:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Transaction costs related to business combinations	5,827	-	-
Donation related to "Colombia Magia Salvaje" film" (4a)	3,907	-	-
Income tax provision	2,203	1,003	1,003
Other	1,355	5,947	145
Total	13,292	6,950	1,148

(4a) Donation of profits from the film "Colombia Magia Salvaje" to Fundación Éxito, upon approval by the General Meeting of Shareholders.

The Company has not recorded provisions for the protection of contracts for consideration during the reporting periods.

## Note 19.1 Other provisions classified as current and non-current

The balance of other provisions, classified as current and non-current is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Current			
Legal proceedings	18,333	20,490	24,297
Taxes other than income tax	8,812	9,409	9,163
Restructuring	8,295	14,500	-
Other	33,752	18,374	2,322
Total other current provisions	69,192	62,773	35,782
Non-current			
Legal proceedings	8,520	13,214	-
Total other non-current provisions	8,520	13,214	-
Total other provisions	77,712	75,987	35,782

### Note 19.2 Forecasted payment of other provisions

Forecasted payments of other provisions for which the Company is responsible at December 31, 2015 will be:

	Legal proceedings	Taxes other than income tax	Restructuring	Other	Total
Less than 12 months	18,333	8,812	8,295	33,752	69,192
More than 1 year	8,520	-	-	-	8,520
Total estimated payments	26,853	8,812	8,295	33,752	77,712

## Note 20. Trade payables and other accounts payable

The balance of trade payables and other accounts payable is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Current			
Domestic suppliers	1,786,962	1,766,491	1,410,555
Costs and expenses payable	391,207	313,189	228,542
Foreign suppliers	187,583	235,555	128,854
Short-term employee benefits	90,330	91,038	75,903
Dividends payable (1)	15,777	27,904	27,782
Other (2)	34,114	3,718	3,431
Total current accounts payable	2,505,973	2,437,895	1,875,067
Non-current			
Other (2)	-	573	488
Total non-current accounts payable	-	573	488
Total accounts payable	2,505,973	2,438,468	1,875,555

(1) The Company's Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 17, 2015, declared a dividend of 145.23 per share, payable in four quarterly installments and enforceable between the sixth and tenth working day of April, July and October 2015, and January 2016.

Dividends paid at December 31, 2015 amounted to \$254,297 equivalent to \$568.44 per share; at December 31, 2014 amounted to \$237,558, equivalent to \$531 per share.

(2) The increase in others results from new liabilities related with the remittance process, which at the closing of 2015 show a balance payable in amount of \$24,956, in addition to the increase in payables held on security in amount of \$5,481 and other accounts payable in amount of \$41.

Terms and conditions of these financial liabilities are:

- Trade payables carry no interest and are generally paid between 45 and 60 days.
- Other accounts payable carry no interest and average payment term is six months.

### Note 21. Current taxes, income tax and deferred tax

Tax regulations applicable to the Company set out that:

- a. As of 2013, the income tax rate is 25% and the income tax for equality CREE rate is 9%; additionally, from 2015 onwards, there is a surtax on the income tax for equality CREE of between 5% and 9% (for 2015 the rate is 5%).
- b. The taxable base to assess the income tax and the income tax for equality CREE cannot be less than 3% of the net equity held on the last day of the preceding taxable period.
- c. The annual adjustment applicable for 2015 to movable assets and real estate that are fixed assets is 5.21% (2014 2.89%).
- d. Comprehensive inflation adjustments were eliminated for tax purposes from 2007 onwards, and the tax on occasional gains was reinstated at a current rate of 10%, payable by legal entities on total occasional gains obtained during the taxable year.
- e.As of 2007 and until taxable 2009, the deduction of effective investments made in productive fixed assets is 40%, and application thereof does not give rise to taxable profits for partners or shareholders.

Taxpayers who acquire productive fixed assets capable of being depreciated as of January 1, 2007 and use such deduction, are only allowed to depreciate such assets under the straight-line method and will not be entitled to the audit benefit, even if they meet the requirements to claim such benefit pursuant to tax regulations. Prior to January 1, 2007, the same deduction applied to investments in productive fixed assets without the obligation of depreciating such assets using the straight-line method. Wherever the assets on which the above-mentioned deduction benefit was applied cease to be used in an income-producing activity, or wherever they are sold, the proportion of such deduction equivalent to the remaining useful life at the time of abandonment or sale becomes income taxable at applicable rates.

Law 1370 of 2009 reduced from 40% to 30% the deduction rate arising from effective investments in productive fixed assets for 2010; Law 1430 of December 29, 2010 eliminated the special deduction from investment in productive fixed asset as of taxable 2011. However, the possibility of stabilizing such regulation for a maximum term of three years is authorized to investors who prior to November 1, 2010 filed a request to be part to a legal stability agreement.

## Legal stability

Up to 2017, the Company may request in its income tax return 40% of said investments, given that section 158-3 of the Tax Code is an integral part of the Legal Stability Contract EJ-03, under Law 963 of July 2005, entered into with the Colombian government for ten years as of August 2007.

#### Tax credits

At December 31, 2015, the Company does not have excess presumptive income over net income, or taxable losses pending offsetting.

Pursuant to tax regulations in force, as of taxable 2007 companies may offset tax losses adjusted for tax purposes against ordinary net income without prejudice to the presumptive income for the period, with no limitation as to percentage and at any time. Excess presumptive income over ordinary income obtained as of 2007 may be offset against ordinary net income assessed within the following five (5) years adjusted for tax purposes. Company losses are not transferrable to shareholders. In no event tax losses, arising from revenue other than income and occasional gains, and from costs and deductions not directly related with the generation of taxable income, will be offset against the taxpayer's net income.

In application of sections 188 and 189 of the Tax Code, the Company estimated its income tax liability for 2015 and 2014 under the ordinary income system; also, the income tax for equality CREE was estimated using the net income system for both years.

The income tax return for 2011 (offsetting of 2008 taxable loss) is open to review during 5 years as of filing date; income tax returns and income tax for equality CREE returns for taxable 2013 and 2014 are open to review during 2 years as of filing date. Tax advisors and management of the Company are of the opinion that no additional taxes will be assessed, other than those for which a provision has been recorded at December 31, 2015.

#### **Transfer Pricing**

Company transactions with the parent, subsidiaries and/or foreign related parties have been carried out in accordance with the arm's length principle as if they were independent parties, as required by Transfer Pricing provisions set forth by domestic tax regulations. Independent advisors are updating the transfer pricing survey as required by tax regulations, aimed at demonstrating that transactions with foreign related parties were carried out at market values during 2015. For this purpose, the parent will file an information statement and will make the mentioned survey available by mid-June 2016.

### Tax reform Law 1739 of December 24, 2014

On December 24, 2014 the Congress of the Republic enacted Law 1739 (Tax Reform), which mainly introduced a surcharge on the income tax for equality CREE, created the tax on wealth and the annual report on assets held abroad, in force as of 2015, as follows:

#### 1. Tax on wealth

A tax on wealth was introduced, applicable to individuals and legal entities with a net equity higher than \$1 billion pesos at January 1, 2015.

Such tax will be assessed on legal entities over three (3) years, with variable rates for each year as of 2015 ranging between 0.20%, 0.35%, 0.75% and 1.15%. For 2016 the rates decrease to 0.15%, 0.25%, 0.50% and 1.00% and finally for 2017 the rates will range between 0.05%, 0.10%, 0.20% and 0.40%.

It is important to bear in mind that this tax cannot be deducted from the income tax or from the income tax for equality CREE, and cannot be offset against other taxes.

### 2. Income tax for equality - CREE

Regarding the income tax for equality CREE, the tax reform sets forth a steady rate of 9% for 2015 and subsequent years.

The tax reform also allows offsetting tax losses and the excess over the minimum base (arising from CREE) as of 2015.

## 3. Surcharge on the income tax for equality - CREE

The tax reform introduced a surcharge on the income tax for equality CREE, which taxable base is the same as that for the CREE, for the periods 2015 to 2018, assessed on taxable income higher than \$800 million pesos at a rate of 5.0% for 2015, 6.0% for 2016, 8.0% for 2017 and 9.0% for 2018. An advance must be paid on such surcharge, in two annual installments.

### 4. Tax on financial transactions - GMF

The tax reform introduces a progressive reduction in the tax on financial transactions as of 2019 to 3 x 1,000, and one point per year thereafter until it is finally eliminated in 2022.

### 5. Annual report on assets held abroad.

The tax reform introduced the obligation to file a new annual report on assets held abroad.

"As of taxable 2015, taxpayers of income tax, subject to this tax with respect of their domestic and foreign source income and their equity held within and outside the country, who own assets of any kind abroad, shall submit an annual report of assets held abroad".

## Note 21.1 Current taxes and income tax

Advances, balances receivable and taxes, levies and contributions payable for each of the reporting periods included:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Current tax assets			
Income tax advance payment	7,654	1,425	2,584
Income tax for equality CREE advance payments	18,817	-	83,121
Excess income tax from private assessment	96,097	48,636	-
Excess income tax for equality CREE from private assessment	-	7,744	-
Industry and trade tax advance payment and withholdings.	10,640	9,955	9,639
Import-related sales tax receivable	165	165	165
Total current tax assets	133,373	67,925	95,509
Current tax liabilities			
Income tax, CREE and VAT withholdings payable	(27,729)	(19,451)	(14,118)
Industry and trade tax withholdings payable	(2,076)	(1,628)	(1,525)
Income tax for equality CREE payable	(6,600)	(2,381)	(24,607)
Sales tax payable	(25,686)	(13,369)	(37,376)
Industry and trade tax payable	(42,167)	(37,803)	(34,420)
Excise tax payable	(3,607)	(3,518)	(3,505)
Other taxes payable	(221)	(139)	(84)
Tax on equity payable	-	· · ·	(45,150)
Total current tax liabilities	(108,086)	(78,289)	(160,785)
Total net current liabilities (assets)	25,287	(10,364)	(65,276)

The most significant components of the income tax expense for the periods ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 are:

	2015	2014
Tax on current income		
Current income tax expense	86,052	96,651
Adjustment to current income tax from the preceding period	(1,631)	2,381
Total tax on current income	84,421	99,032
Deferred income tax		
Relevant to the source and reversal of temporary differences	146,546	74,686
Relevant to changes in tax rates or enactment of new taxes	(885)	(7,472)
Total deferred income tax	145,661	67,214
Income tax from continuing operations	230,082	166,246

The reconciliation of taxable income to accounting income multiplied by the tax rate for the periods ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 is as follows:

	2015	2014
Earnings before income tax	803,577	665,676
Add:		
Industry and trade tax and property tax provision	13,725	3,232
Receivables written-off	18,016	1,395
Non-deductible expenses	2,236	3,999
Non-deductible taxes	22	78
Taxes assumed and revaluation	11,658	9,179
Fines, penalties and litigation expenses	3,163	2,359
Recovery of depreciation of fixed assets sold	-	6,575
Tax on financial transactions	6,901	6,853
Reimbursement of investment in productive fixed assets	163	6,217
Tax on equity	57,772	-
Selling price of fixed assets held less than two years	16,482	-
Less:		
Taxable Goodwill deduction, other than accounting deduction	(217,173)	(174,179)
40% deduction of investment in income-generating assets	(125,962)	(59,768)
Withdrawal of gain on sale of fixed assets deemed occasional gain	(92,868)	(7,954)
Cost of fixed assets held less than two years	(14,475)	-
IFRS adjustments with no tax effects	(244,766)	(131,451)
Net unrealized derivative income	-	(5,725)
Recovery of provisions	(8,231)	-
Disabled employee deduction	(556)	(603)
Revenue not deemed income or occasional gain	-	(36)
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(5,916)	(6,195)
Presumptive income amortization	-	(42,529)
Net taxable income	223,768	277,123
Income tax rate	25%	25%
Subtotal income tax	55,942	69,281
Occasional gains tax	6,602	668
Tax discounts	(26,387)	(7,562)
Total income tax	36,157	62,387
Income tax for equality CREE	32,101	34,264
Income tax for equality CREE surcharge	17,794	
Recovery of current tax prior year	(1,631)	2,381
Total current income tax	84,421	99,032

The reconciliation of the average effective tax rate to the applicable tax rate is as follows:

	2015	Tax rate	2014	Tax rate
Accounting profit	803,577		665,676	
Total tax expense at applicable tax rate	313,395	39.00%	226,330	34.00%
Tax effect of non-deductible expenses to determine taxable income	48,649	6.05%	13,678	2.05%
Effect of tax rates levied abroad	(26,386)	-3.28%	(7,562)	-1.14%
Other tax effects from the reconciliation of accounting profit to tax expense	(105,576)	-13.14%	(66,200)	-9.94%
Total tax expense / tax rate	230,082	28.63%	166,246	24.97%

### Note 21.2 Deferred income tax

The Company recognizes a deferred tax receivable or payable arising from the effect of temporary differences that result in payment of a lower or higher value of the income tax in the current year, assessed at the rates in force which are expected to recover (2015 – 39%, 2016 - 40%; 2017 - 42%; 2018 - 43% and as of 2019 - 34%), provided there is reasonable expectation that such differences will revert in future; should a deferred tax asset arise, the Company will analyze whether enough taxable income is expected to be generated in future to offset the asset, in full or in part.

Non-current deferred income tax includes:

### In the statement of financial position

	2015	2014	January 2014
Investments at amortized cost	(75)	(62)	(10)
Equity investments	(50,065)	4,618	(18,407)
Accounts receivable	(19,307)	8,136	14,002
Inventories	38,569	38,768	29,534
Land	(38,704)	(43,455)	(43,361)
Tax consolidation and readjustment	19,926	23,410	24,252
Buildings	(98,570)	(87,899)	(78,282)
Non-operating premises	40	123	123
Investment property	(8,261)	(8,051)	(9,446)
Construction in progress	(16,940)	(11,835)	(2,847)
Other fixed assets	(21,415)	(17,706)	(1,236)
Intangible assets	(52,625)	(30,705)	56,820
Deferred charges	12,089	14,322	12,738
Financial liabilities	2,664	14,343	1,649
Other liabilities	41,898	51,323	36,944
Total net deferred tax assets (liabilities)	(190,776)	(44,670)	22,473

The presentation of net income tax (liability) asset in the statement of financial position reflects:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Deferred tax assets	1,729,704	1,143,722	1,025,377
Deferred tax liabilities	(1,920,480)	(1,188,392)	(1,002,904)
Net deferred tax assets (liabilities)	(190,776)	(44,670)	22,473

## In the statement of income

	2015	2014
Deferred income tax 25%	98,519	83,149
Deferred CREE tax 9%	44,586	8,340
Deferred CREE surcharge 5%	(5,308)	-
Deferred occasional gains tax 10%	3,736	(24,275)
Deferred retained earnings Uruguay 7%	4,128	-
Total (net) deferred tax effect	145,661	67,214

### Total other comprehensive income

	2015	2014
Deferred income tax		
Actuarial gains from defined benefit plans	375	70
Deferred income tax expense charged to other comprehensive income (see note 25.1)	375	70

The Company does not recognize in its financial statements deferred tax assets generated by its subsidiaries, or other minor investments resulted in losses during the current or prior periods. The amount thereof is:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Subsidiaries domiciled in Colombia	(78,238)	(79,255)	(79,255)
Subsidiaries domiciled abroad	(4,816)	(817)	(44)
Other	(7)	(7)	(404)
Total	(83,061)	(80,079)	(79,703)

Temporary differences related to investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures, for which no deferred tax liabilities have been recognized amounted to \$39,228 at December 31, 2015 (2014 \$119,707 and at January 1, 2014 \$27,338).

### Note 21.3 Effects of the income tax on the distribution of dividends.

Pursuant to Colombian tax regulations in force, neither the distribution of dividends nor retained earnings have an effect on the income tax rate or on the CREE tax rate.

### Note 22. Other financial liabilities

The balance of other financial liabilities is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Bonds issued (1)	-	152,441	152,108
Derivative financial instruments (2)	2,351	5,644	-
Total	2,351	158,085	152,108
Current	2,351	158,085	14,409
Non-current	-	-	137,699

- (1) On May 5, 2015, the Company repaid Carulla Vivero Bonds issue 2005 at a nominal value of COP \$150,000.
- (2) Financial instruments reflect the fair value of forward agreements designated to cover the fluctuation in the exchange rates of investments and liabilities. The fair values of these instruments are estimated based on valuation models commonly applied by market participants using variables other than prices quoted, directly or indirectly perceptible for assets or liabilities. The Company measures derivative forward financial instruments at fair value; the detail of maturities of such instruments at December 31, 2015 is:

Derivative	Less than 1 month	From 1 to 3 months	From 3 to 6 months	Total
Forward	1,584	570	197	2,351
Total	1,584	570	197	2,351

### Note 23. Other non-financial liabilities

The balance of other non-financial liabilities is as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Current			
Collections received on behalf of third parties (1)	44,705	36,742	42,033
Customer loyalty programs (2)	35,617	31,039	19,399
Advance payments on lease agreements and other projects	1,759	190	676
Revenue received in advance	1,082	1,462	358
Instalments received under "plan resérvalo"	1,381	1,727	1,857
Repurchase coupon	259	-	-
Other	-	34	110
Total other current non-financial liabilities	84,803	71,194	64,433
Non-current			
Advance payments on lease agreements and other projects	49,488	51,588	53,688
Total other non-current non-financial liabilities	49,488	51,588	53,688
Total other non-financial liabilities	134,291	122,782	118,121

<sup>(1)</sup> Mainly represent collections on behalf of third parties because of public utilities, Éxito credit card and non-banking correspondent agreements - CNB.

(2) Represent customer loyalty programs, namely "Puntos Éxito" and "Supercliente Carulla", with the following effect:

# In the statement of financial position

	2015	2014	January 2014
Puntos Éxito and Carulla program	35,617	31,039	19,399

# In the statement of income

	2015	2014
Revenue Puntos Éxito and Carulla program	4,577	10,675

#### Note 24. Share capital, repurchased shares and premium on the issue of shares

The Company's authorized capital is represented in 530,000,000 ordinary shares with par value of \$10(\*) each; subscribed and paid-in capital amounts to \$4,482 at December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014. The number of outstanding shares is 447,604,316 and the number of repurchased shares is 635,835 with value of \$2,735 on the same reporting dates.

The rights attached to the shares are speaking and voting rights per each share. No privileges have been granted on the shares, nor are they restricted in any way. Additionally, there are no option contracts on Company shares.

The premium on placement of shares represents the higher value paid over the par value of the shares, and amounts to \$4,843,466 at December 31, 2015, December 31, 2014 and January 1, 2014. Pursuant to legal regulations, this balance may be distributed as profits upon winding-up of the company, or upon capitalization of this value. Capitalization means the transferring of a portion of such premium to a capital account, as result of the issue of a share-based dividend.

(\*) Expressed in Colombian pesos.

#### Note 25. Other reserves

Other reserves are appropriations of prior period results by the General Meeting of Shareholders. Other reserves include the components of other comprehensive income.



### Note 25.1 Other accumulated comprehensive income

The balance of each component of other comprehensive income in the statement of financial position is as follows:

		2015			2014			January 2014	
	Gross	Tax effect	Net	Gross	Tax effect	Net	Gross	Tax effect	Net
Measurement of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (1)	(2,976)	-	(2,976)	(5,653)	-	(5,653)	(2,976)	-	(2,976)
Measurement of defined benefit plans (2)	1,075	(375)	700	(205)	70	(135)			-
Translation exchange differences (3)	(379,224)	-	(379,224)	41,776		41,776	-	-	-
Gain from hedging of net investments in foreign businesses, net of taxes (4)	169	-	169	-	-	-	-	-	-
Share of other comprehensive income of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method (5)	(3,972)	-	(3,972)	27,498	-	27,498	-	-	-
Total other accumulated comprehensive income	(384,928)	(375)	(385,303)	63,416	70	63,486	(2,976)	•	(2,976)

- (1) Represents the accumulated value of gains or losses from the appraisal at fair value through income of investments in financial instruments less the values transferred to retained earnings upon sale of such investments, which during the period amounted to \$558 (2014 \$-2,677) representing the effect of the reclassification of Cnova from financial instrument to a subsidiary, arising from the business combination with Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição CBD. Changes in fair value are not reclassified to income for the period.
- (2) Represents the accumulated value of actuarial gains or losses arising from the Company's and its subsidiaries' defined benefit plans under the equity method. The net value of the new measurements is transferred to retained earnings and is not reclassified to income for the period.
- (3) Represents the accumulated value of exchange differences arising from the translation to the Company's presentation currency of assets, liabilities, equity and results of operations abroad under the equity method. Accumulated translation differences are reclassified to period results upon disposition of the operation abroad.
- (4) Represents the accumulated value of gains or losses from instruments designated in a net investment hedge in a foreign business of subsidiaries under the equity method. The accumulated value of the gains or losses is reclassified to period results upon disposition of the operation abroad.
- (5) Value allocated to the Company of the other comprehensive income from its investments in associates and joint ventures through direct investment or through subsidiaries.

#### Note 26. Revenue from ordinary activities

The balance of revenues from ordinary activities generated during the period by each significant category is as follows:

	2015	2014
Total retail sales (1)	10,271,383	9,498,986
Other ordinary revenue (2)	267,914	259,694
Revenue from ordinary activities	10,539,297	9,758,680

(1) Includes sales of goods net of returns and sales discounts in amount of \$10,242,328 (2014 \$9,462,986) and revenue from the sale of real estate projects in amount of \$29,055 (2014 \$36,000), per the following detail:

Property	City	2015	2014
Avenida Chile plot of land	Bogotá	18,000	-
Paseo Real property	Bogotá	8,266	-
Lote 1-2 Calle 77	Barranquilla	2,789	-
Vizcaya Shopping Mall	Medellín	-	36,000
Total		29,055	36,000

#### (2) Represents:

	2015	2014
Service revenue	153,257	154,713
Royalty revenue	91,887	97,965
Other revenue	22,770	7,016
Total other revenue	267,914	259,694

### Note 27. Cost of sales

The balance of cost of goods sold and impairment loss is as follows:

	2015	2014
Cost of goods sold without impairment (1)	7,988,980	7,394,406
Impairment loss recognized during the period	7,677	-
Total cost of goods sold	7,996,657	7,394,406

(1) Includes the acquisition cost of assets sold net of discounts and trade rebates, as well as the cost of sales in industrial activities and logistics expenses.

The following is a detail of expenses included in the cost of logistics:

Description	2015	2014
Services	108,861	101,004
Employee benefits	50,034	48,631
Lease agreements	47,622	44,654
Depreciation and amortization	12,718	14,849
Maintenance and repairs	6,213	5,944
Packaging materials and marking expenses	3,668	3,441
Other expenses	7,826	6,133
Total	236,942	224,656

### Note 28. Expenses by nature and function

The balance of operating expenses is as follows:

2015	Distribution expenses	Administration and sales expenses	Total
Services	278,963	11,197	290,160
Lease expenses	205,749	1,750	207,499
Depreciation and amortization	167,098	26,926	194,024
Taxes	107,563	61,576	169,139
Maintenance and repairs	66,909	3,405	70,314
Packaging materials and marking expenses	28,330	79	28,409
Administration of shopping malls	28,242	1,564	29,806
Insurance	17,719	2,383	20,102
Fees	20,921	36,414	57,335
Travel expenses	4,577	5,800	10,377
Contributions and affiliations	1,089	1,202	2,291
Legal expenses	3,155	252	3,407
Debit and credit card commissions	25,757	-	25,757
Other expenses (1)	67,964	25,627	93,591
Total	1,024,036	178,175	1,202,211

2014	Distribution expenses	Administration and sales expenses	Total
Services	243,148	10,344	253,492
Lease expenses	182,939	1,443	184,382
Depreciation and amortization of assets	157,359	17,882	175,241
Taxes	105,878	53,481	159,359
Maintenance and repairs	63,027	3,584	66,611
Packaging materials and marking expenses	23,348	99	23,447
Administration of shopping malls	26,516	10	26,526
Travel expenses	2,888	5,521	8,409
Fees	4,680	21,292	25,972
Insurance	14,591	2,790	17,381
Legal expenses	2,684	2,822	5,506
Contributions and affiliations	1,039	538	1,577
Debit and credit card commissions	24,761	-	24,761
Other expenses (1)	78,355	49,427	127,782
Total	931,213	169,233	1,100,446

### (1) Represents:

2015	Distribution expenses	Administration and sales expenses	Total
Cleaning and fumigation supplies	8,720	209	8,929
Replenishment of elements at stores	7,220	-	7,220
Stationery	7,116	1,134	8,250
Ground transportation	4,221	539	4,760
Royalties	3,525	-	3,525
Nickel transportation	3,271	-	3,271
Donations	-	2,808	2,808
Other (1a)	33,891	20,937	54,828
Total	67,964	25,627	93,591

2014	Distribution expenses	Administration and sales expenses	Total
Royalties	15,100	-	15,100
Cleaning and fumigation supplies	8,243	108	8,351
Stationery	6,757	986	7,743
Replenishment of elements at stores	5,493	-	5,493
Ground transportation	3,272	535	3,807
Nickel transportation	3,193	-	3,193
Donations	-	3,001	3,001
Other (1a)	36,297	44,797	81,094
Total	78,355	49,427	127,782

<sup>(1</sup>a) Includes items such as other commissions, cafeteria supplies, gift-card discounts, miscellaneous entertainment, cashier shortages, regional support, packer adjustments, legal stability and Colpensiones provision.

#### Note 29. Other operating revenue and expense and other gains

The line items of other operating revenue and expense include two types of elements: the effects of the most significant events occurred during the period that would distort the analysis of the Company's recurrent profitability, which are defined as significant elements of unusual revenue, which occurrence is exceptional, and the effects of the line items that due to its nature are not included in an assessment of the recurrent operating performance of the Company, such as impairment losses, disposal of non-current assets and the effects of business combinations.

The balance of other operating revenue and expenses is:

	2015	2014
Gain from the sale of property, plant and equipment, investments and intangible assets (1)	58,544	6,467
Total other profits	58,544	6,467
Revenue from measurement of fair value previous interest in Grupo Disco Uruguay (2)	29,681	-
Other revenue (3)	15,021	13,987
Total other revenue	44,702	13,987
Tax on wealth expense (4)	(57,772)	-
Transaction costs related to business combinations (5)	(53,817)	(7,831)
Other expenses (6)	(10,384)	(15,277)
Total other expenses	(121,973)	(23,108)
Total	(18,727)	(2,654)

- (1) The balance includes gains in amount of \$74,515 from the sale to Cafam of drugstores owned by the Company, some of which had been operated by Cafam since September 2010; \$3,124 from the sale of the Carulla Paseo Real building, and \$882 from the right to use in construction of the Villavicencio Stand-Alone Trust Fund, and \$65 from other minor sales; loss of property, plant and equipment in amount of \$12,349 arising from the Éxito Valledupar Las Flores accident; \$3,827 from the settlement of the Este Escrow; \$3,742 from contribution to the Barranquilla Stand-Alone Trust Fund, and other minor losses in amount of \$125.
- (2) Refers to the gain in amount of \$29,681 arising from the measurement at fair value of the 62.49% Company's interest held in Grupo Disco Uruguay prior to the business combination on January 1, 2015.
- (3) For 2015 includes revenue in amount of \$13,163 from the claim to Seguros Generales Suramericana S.A. as indemnification for the actual loss of property, plant and equipment resulting from the Éxito Valledupar Las Flores accident, and other minor revenue in amount of \$1,858. For 2014 refers to the recovery of provisions.
- (4) Refers to the tax on wealth introduced by the National Government by means of Law 1739 of December 23, 2014.
- (5) For 2015 refers to transaction costs related to the acquisition of the operations in Brazil and Libertad S.A. in Argentina, through the Spanish company Onper Investments 2015 S.L. in amount of \$50,333, and transaction costs related to the acquisitions of trade establishments of the Super Inter banner in amount of \$2,135 (2014 \$7,831) and transaction costs related to the acquisition of Cafam trade establishments in amount of \$1,349.
- (6) Refers to expenses from the Company's restructuring plan in amount of \$10,384 (2014 \$15,248) and other minor expenses for 2014 amounting to \$29.

#### Note 30. Financial revenue and expense

The balance of financial revenue and expense is as follows:

	2015	2014
Revenue from interest, cash and cash equivalents (Note 6)	37,964	69,984
Gain from derivative financial instruments	433,189	10,782
Gain from exchange difference	424,947	86,257
Other financial revenue	20,525	21,610
Total financial revenue	916,625	188,633
Interest, borrowings and finance lease expenses	(108,834)	(1,712)
Loss from derivative financial instruments	(39,010)	(3,932)
Loss from exchange difference	(611,758)	(99,595)
Commission expense	(2,453)	(1,689)
Interest expense, bonds	(5,596)	(14,825)
Other financial expenses	(25,751)	(26,744)
Total financial expenses	(793,402)	(148,497)
Total financial revenue, net	123,223	40,136

#### Note 31. Profits per share

Profits per share are basic and diluted; the purpose of basic profits is to give a measure of the participation of each ordinary share of the controlling entity in the Company's performance during the reporting periods. The purpose of diluted profits is to give a measure of the participation of each ordinary share in the performance of the Company taking into consideration the dilutive effect (decrease in profits or increase in losses) of outstanding potential ordinary shares during the period.

The Company has not carried out transactions with potential ordinary shares for the reported periods or between the closing date and the date of release of these financial statements. Below is information regarding profits and number of shares used in the calculation of basic and diluted profits per share:

#### In period results

	2015	2014
Net profit attributable to continued operations	573,495	499,430
Net profit attributable to the holders of common equity	573.495	499.430
instruments of the controlling entity (basic and diluted)	010,400	400,400
Weighted average of the number of common shares attributable to	447.604.316	447.604.316
the basic profit per share (basic and diluted)	447,004,010	117,004,010
Basic and diluted profit per share (in pesos)	1,281.26	1,115.79

#### In total comprehensive period results

	2015	2014	
Net profit attributable to total comprehensive income	122,029	565,892	
Net profit attributable to the holders of common equity	122.029	565.892	
instruments of the controlling entity (basic and diluted)	122,023	303,032	
Weighted average of the number of common shares attributable to	447,604,316	447,604,316	
the basic profit per share (basic and diluted)	447,004,310	447,004,310	
Basic and diluted profit per share (in pesos)	272.63	1,264.27	

#### Note 32. Transactions with related parties

#### Note 32.1 Key management personnel compensation

Transactions between the Company and key management personnel, including legal representatives and/or administrators, mainly relate to labor agreements entered into between the parties.

Compensation paid to key management personnel during the periods ended December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 was:

	2015	2014
Short-term employee benefits	30,334	31,249
Long-term employee benefits	-	162
Post-employment benefits	1,237	1,159
Termination benefits	25	247
Total	31,596	32,817

#### Note 32.2 Transactions with related parties

Transactions with related parties refer to revenues from the sale of goods and services, as well as to costs and expenses related to risk management and technical assistance support, and to the purchase of goods and services actually received. The amount of revenue, costs and expenses arising from transactions with related parties is as follows:

	Reven	Revenues		xpenses
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Controlling entity (1)	-	-	23,642	9,703
Subsidiaries (2)	38,080	5,742	179,712	185,661
Associates (3)	-	29,208	-	-
Members of the Board	-	-	876	570
Grupo Casino companies (4)	4,904	4,418	30,190	17,512
Other related parties (5)	197	166	10,260	8,489
Total	43,181	39,534	244,680	221,935

- (1) Costs and expenses accrued with the controlling entity arise from consultancy and technical assistance services provided by Casino Guichard-Perrachon S.A. and Geant International B.V.
- (2) Revenues from subsidiaries refer to the sale of goods to Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S and Gemex O & W S.A.S, provision of administration services to Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S., Gemex O & W S.A.S., Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S. and stand-alone trust funds, and installments on lease of property to stand-alone trust funds and Éxito Viajes y Turismo S.A.S.

Costs and expenses accrued with subsidiaries refer to the purchase of goods from Distribuidora de Textiles y Confecciones S.A., lease expenses and property administration expenses.

For 2014, Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S. was classified as an investment in associate. From August 31, 2015 onwards, with the business combination of the Brazil and Argentina operations through subsidiary Onper Investment 2015 S.L., control of such investment was gained and the investment was classified as a subsidiary. In 2015, the revenues from the sale of goods to this Company are shown under the subsidiaries line item.

- (3) Revenues obtained from associates refer to the sale of goods to Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S. during 2014.
- (4) Costs and expenses accrued with Grupo Casino companies mainly arise from the purchase of goods and energy optimization services.
- (5) Costs and expenses with other related parties refer to transactions with companies where the shareholders are the beneficial owners of 10% or more of total outstanding shares, members of the Board, legal representatives and/or administrators having a direct or indirect interest equal to or higher than 10% of outstanding shares.

#### Note 33. Impairment testing of assets

The Company conducted the annual impairment testing at December 31, 2015 by groups of cash-generating units. The book value of the groups of cash-generating units is made of the balances of goodwill, property, plant and equipment, investment properties, other intangible assets other than goodwill, net working capital and related financial lease liabilities. For the purposes of the impairment testing, the goodwill obtained via business combinations and trademarks with indefinite useful lives was allocated to the following groups of cash-generating units:

	Éxito	Carulla	Surtimax	Super Inter	Total
Goodwill	90,674	856,495	41,575	464,333	1,453,077
Trademarks with defined useful life	-	-	17.427	63.704	81.131

The method used was the value in use given the difficulty of finding an active market that enables establishing the fair value of such intangible assets.

The value in use was estimated based on the expected cash flows as forecasted by management over a five-year period, on the grounds of the price growth rate in Colombia (Consumer Price Index - CPI), trend analysis from historic results, expansion plans, strategic projects to increase sales and optimization plans.

Cash flows beyond the five-year period were inferred using a real growth rate of 0%. According to the Company, this conservative approach reflects the ordinary growth expected for the industry in absence of unexpected factors that might have an effect on growth.

The tax rate included in the forecast of cash flows is the rate that the Company is expected to pay as taxes during the next years (39% in 2015, 40% in 2016, 42% in 2017, 43% in 2018 and 34% as of 2019).

The expected cash flows were discounted at the weighted average cost of capital (WACC) using a market indebtedness structure for the type of industry where the company operates; as a result, the weighted average cost of capital (WACC) used in the valuation was 10.50% for 2015, 10.43% for 2016, 10.40% for 2017, and 10.70% for 2018 onwards. The variation in the discount rate for 2015 to 2019 is due to the various tax rates applicable to the Company for such years as mentioned above.

No impairment of the groups of cash-generating units was identified from this analysis.

A sensitivity analysis carried out on the variables with the greater effect on the determination of the value in use of the groups of cash-generating units, such as discount rate and perpetual growth rate, would have the following effect:

#### Perpetual growth rate

In accordance with that mentioned above, the estimation of the growth rate is based on the price growth expectations for the country pursuant to published market surveys, reason why a reduction in the rate below the expected rate is not deemed reasonable, given that the units' cash flows are expected to grow to the same level or even 1% above the general price increase in the economy.

#### Discount rate

The estimation of the discount rate is based on an analysis of the market indebtedness for the Company; a change is deemed reasonable if the discount rate would increase by 1.00%, in which event no impairment in the value of the groups of cash-generating units Éxito, Carulla, Surtimax and Super Inter would arise.

#### Note 34. Leases

#### Note 34.1 Finance leases when the Company acts as the lessee

The Company has entered into finance lease agreements on property, plant and equipment and other intangible assets (the most significant categories of assets are disclosed in Note 12 Property, plant and equipment). Minimum installments and present values thereof under finance lease agreements are as follows:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Up to one year	4,493	8,570	769
From 1 to 5 years	18,139	26,291	4,042
More than 5 years	2,954	16,566	434
Total minimum instalments on finance leases	25,586	51,427	5,245
Future financing (expense)	(2,140)	(9,597)	(249)
Book value of finance leases	23,446	41,830	4,996

No contingent installments were shown in income during the period.

At the closing of the reporting periods, there are no finance lease agreements that are material if considered separately.

#### Note 34.2 Operating leases when the Company acts as the lessee

The Company has entered into operating lease agreements mainly related to business premises, vehicles and machinery. Total future minimum installments under irrevocable operating lease agreements for the reporting periods are:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Up to one year	139,948	129,123	167,313
From 1 to 5 years	451,231	394,595	520,867
More than 5 years	537,953	468,748	600,657
Total minimum instalments on irrevocable operating leases	1,129,132	992,466	1,288,837

Operating lease agreements vary from 1 to 15 years and relate to 870 agreements on 500 leased stores. The Company made an analysis and concluded that lease agreements may not be cancelled during its term. In the event of termination, a minimum cancellation charge shall be paid, ranging from 1 to 12 monthly installments, or a fixed percentage on the remaining of the term.

Company management considers payment of additional installments as contingent payments that may range from 0.01% to 6% on sales. The agreements may be extended pursuant to legal regulations in force and include periodic adjustment clauses according to inflation.

Lease expenses recognized in income for the period amounted to \$207,499 (2014 \$184,382), including contingent installments in amount of \$61,563 (2014 \$53,509).

At the closing of the reporting periods, there are no operating lease agreements that are material if considered separately.

#### Note 34.3 Operating leases when the Company acts as the lessor

The Company has entered into operating lease agreements on investment properties. Total minimum of future charges under irrevocable operating lease agreements on the reporting date is:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Up to one year	7,105	4,593	3,371
From 1 to 5 years	11,764	9,271	6,390
More than 5 years	5,301	1,004	4,018
Total minimum instalments on irrevocable operating leases	24,170	14,868	13,779

The Company made an analysis and concluded that operating lease agreements may not be cancelled during its term. In order to terminate, prior agreement of the parties is needed and a minimum cancellation payment shall be required ranging from 1 to 12 monthly installments, or a fixed percentage on the remaining term.

Revenue from leases recognized in period results amounted to \$25,369 (2014 \$11,967) including revenue from the lease of investment properties in amount of \$10,641 (2014 \$7,280). Contingent instalments included in the revenue from leases amounted to \$3,633 (2014 \$709).

#### Note 35. Measurement of the fair value

Below is a comparison of book values and fair values of the Company's financial assets and liabilities at December 31, 2015, December 31, 2014 and at January 1, 2014 on a periodic basis as required or permitted by an accounting policy; financial assets and liabilities whose book values are an approximation of fair values are excluded, considering that they mature in the short time (in less than or up to one year), namely trade receivables and other debtors, trade payables and other creditors and short-term financial liabilities.



	Book value	Fair value	Book value	Fair value	Book value	Fair value	
	2015	2015	2014	2014	January 2014	January 2014	
Financial assets							
Loans at amortized cost	22,091	19,359	19,788	17,256	19,567	16,495	
Investments in private equity funds	966	966	974	974	893	893	
Forward contracts measured at fair value through income	66,271	66,271	20,344	20,344	111	111	
Swap contracts measured at fair value through income	756	756	-	-	-	-	
Equity investments	1,046	1,046	9,692	9,692	1,034	1,034	
Non-financial assets							
Investment property	96,442	122,314	98,535	122,314	122,426	122,426	
Total	187,572	210,712	149,333	170,580	144,031	140,959	
Financial liabilities							
Financial liabilities at amortized cost	4,107,637	4,042,279	65	65	95,188	95,188	
Financial leases at amortized cost	23,445	22,191	41,830	41,830	4,996	4,996	
Put option (1)	310,323	310,323	-	-	-	-	
Bonds issued	-	-	152,441	150,096	152,108	150,096	
Forward contracts measured at fair value through income	2,351	2,351	5,644	5,644	-		
Total	4,443,756	4,377,144	199,980	197,635	252,292	250,280	

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair values:

	Hierachy level	Valuation technique	Description of the valuation technique	Significant input data
Assets				
Loans at amortized cost	Level 2	Discounted cash flows method	Future cash flows are discounted at present value using the market rate for loans in similar conditions on the date of measurement in accordance with maturity dates.	Commercial rate of banking institutions for consumption receivables without credit card in similar terms.  Commercial rate for VIS housing loans under similar terms
Investments in private equity funds	Level 1	Unit value	The value of the Fund unit is given by the preclosing value for the day, divided by the total number of Fund units on the closing of operations for the day. The appraisal of assets is daily performed by the Fund administrator.	N/A
Forward contracts measured at fair value through income	Level 2	Peso-US Dollar forward	The difference is measured between the forward agreed upon rate and the forward rate on the date of valuation relevant to the remaining term of the derivative financial instrument and it is discounted at present vaue using a zero coupon interest rate. The "forward" rate is determined based on the average price quoted of the two-way closing price ("bid" and "ask").	Peso/US Dollar exchange rate set out in the forward contract.  Market representative exchange rate on the date of valuation.  Peso-US Dollar forward points of the forward market on the date of valuation.  Number of days between valuation date and maturity date.  Zero coupon interest rate.
Swap contracts measured at fair value through income	Level 2	Operating cash flows forecast model	The method uses Swap cash flows, forecased using treasury securitries of the State that issues the currency in which each flow has been expressed, for further discount at present value, using official swap market rates disclosed by the relevant authorities of each country. The difference between cash inflows and cash outflows represents the Swap net value at the closing under analysis.	Reference Banking Index Curve (RBI) 3 months. Zero coupon TES curve. Swap LIBOR curve. Treasury Bond curve. PCI 12 months



	Hierachy level	Valuation technique	Description of the valuation technique	Significant input data
Assets				
Equity investments	Level 1	Market quote prices	The fair value of such investments is determined as reference to the prices listed in active markets if Companies are listed; in all other cases, the investments are measured at the deemed cost as determined in the opening balance sheet, considering that the effect is immaterial and that carrying out a measurement using a valuation technique commonly used by market participants might generate higher costs than the value of benefits.	N/A
Investment property	Level 1	Comparison or market method	This technique involves establishing the fair value of goods from a survey of recent offers or transactions for similar goods that are comparable to the purpose of the valuation.	N/A
Investment property	Level 3	Discounted cash flows method	This technique provides the opportunity to identify the increase in revenue over a previously defined period of investment. Property value is equivalent to the discounted value of future benefits. Such benefits represent annual cash flows (both, positive and negative) over a period, plus the net gain arising from the hypothetical sale of the property at the end of the investment period.	Weighted average cost of capital. Growth in sales lessees. Vacancy. Growth in revenue.
Investment property	Level 3	Realizable- value method	This technique is used wherever the property is suitable for urban development, applied from an estimation of total sales of a project under construction, pursuant to urban legal regulations in force and in accordance with the final saleable asset market.	Residual Value

	Hierachy level	Valuation technique	Description of the valuation technique	Significant input data
Liabilities				
Put option (1)	Level 3	Given formula	Fair value is measured using a given formula under an agreement entered into with non-controlling interests of Grupo Disco, using level 3 input data.	Net income of Supermercados Disco del Uruguay S.A. at December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2015 US Dollar-Uruguayan peso exchange rate on the date of valuation US Dollar-Colombian peso exchange rate on the date of valuation Total shares of Supermercados Disco del Uruguay S.A.
Financial liabilities and finance leases measured at amortized cost	Level 2	Discounted cash flows method	Future cash flows are discounted at present value using the market rate for loans in similar conditions on the date of measurement in accordance with maturity dates.	Reference Banking Index (RBI) + Negotiated basis points. LIBOR rate + Negotiated basis points.
Bonds issued	Level 2	Discounted cash flows method	Future cash flows are discounted at present value using the market rate for bonds in similar conditions on the date of measurement in accordance with maturity dates.	PCI 12 months
Derivative instruments measured at fair value through income	Level 2	Peso-US Dollar forward	The difference is measured between the forward agreed upon rate and the forward rate on the date of valuation relevant to the remaining term of the derivative financial instrument and it is discounted at present vaue using a zero coupon interest rate. The "forward" rate is determined based on the average price quoted of the two-way closing price ("bid" and "ask").	Peso/US Dollar exchange rate set out in the forward contract.  Market representative exchange rate on the date of valuation.  Peso-US Dollar forward points of the forward market on the date of valuation.  Number of days between valuation date and maturity date.  Zero coupon interest rate.



1) The Company is party to a put option agreement with the holders of non-controlling investments of subsidiary Grupo Disco del Uruguay. The Company internally measures such option, periodically applying three formulas agreed upon between the parties. The result of the valuation is the highest value obtained among the three methods applied. Not observable material data input and a valuation sensitivity analysis refer to:

Liabilities	Significant not observable input data	Range (weighted average)	Input data sensitivity over calculation of the fair value
	Net income of Supermercados Disco del Uruguay S.A. at December 31, 2014 and 2015	72,661 - 100,773	
Put option (1)	US Dollar-Uruguayan peso exchange rate on the date of valuation	23.82 - 29.33 (29.87)	A significant increase in any of input data severally considered would result in a significantly
	US Dollar-Colombian peso exchange rate on the date of valuation	2,360.58 - 3,356.00 (3,149.47)	higher measurement of the fair value.
	Total shares of Supermercados Disco del Uruguay S.A.	443,071,594	

The movements of the measurement of the put option during the period relate to:

	Put option
Balance at December 31, 2014	
Purchases	262,247
Changes in fair value recognized in investments	48,076
Balance at December 31, 2015	310,323

There were no transfers between level 1 and level 2 hierarchies during the period.

#### Note 36. Offsetting of financial assets and liabilities

Out of total financial assets and liabilities included in the statement of financial position, below are assets and liabilities that appear offset in such line items:

Year	Financial assets	Gross value of recognized financial assets	Gross value of related recognized financial liabilities	Net value of recognized financial assets
2015	Derivative financial instruments and hedging (1)	1,298,865	1,231,838	67,027
2014	Derivative financial instruments and hedging (1)	157,016	136,672	20,344
January 2014	Derivative financial instruments and hedging (1)	81,970	81,859	111
Year	Financial liabilities	Gross value of recognized financial liabilities	Gross value of related recognized financial assets	Net value of recognized financial liabilities
2015	Derivative financial instruments and hedging (1)	55,307	52,956	2,351
2015	Trade payables and other accounts payable (2)	2,070,866	233,034	1,837,832
0044	Derivative financial instruments and hedging (1)	259,412	253,768	5,644
2014	Trade payables and other accounts payable (2)	1,928,800	235,649	1,693,151
January 2014	Trade payables and other accounts payable (2)	1,557,339	212,149	1,345,190

- (1) The Company carries out derivative and hedge "forward" and "swap" contracts to hedge against fluctuation in exchange and interest rates on accounts payable and financial liabilities. Such items are measured at fair value (see Note 10 Other financial assets and Note 35 Measurement of the fair value).
- (2) The Company has entered into offsetting agreements with suppliers, arising from the procurement of inventories. Such items are included in trade payables.

No uncleaned amounts related to collaterals or other financial instruments are shown in the Company's statement of financial position.

#### Note 37. Contingent assets and liabilities

#### Note 37.1 Contingent assets

The most significant of Company's contingent assets at December 31, 2015 related to real estate revaluation assessment proceedings \$1,163 (2014 \$1,163); 2005 Industry and Trade tax proceedings in amount of \$1,010 (2014 \$1,010); and proceedings seeking nullity of the resolutions that declared as inapplicable the offsetting of 2008 income tax at Carulla Vivero S.A. \$1,088 (2014 \$0).

In accordance with applicable policies, such contingent assets, which nature is that of possible assets, are not recognized in the statement of financial position until realization of income is virtually true; instead, they are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

#### Note 37.2 Contingent liabilities

On July 13, 2015 the Company extended a guarantee in amount of \$5,000 to Cdiscount Colombia S.A.S. to protect one of its most important suppliers in case of default arising from the procurement of goods; additionally, on December 18, notice was served on the assignment of credits as its own property and with liability in favor of Banco BBVA in amount of \$18,001.



#### Note 38. Financial risk management policy.

The Company's financial instruments are classified according to its nature, features and the purpose for which they have been acquired or issued. The Company maintains instruments measured at fair value through income, with the purpose of holding them for investment or risk management in the case of derivative financial instruments not classified as cash flow hedge instruments.

The Company uses derivative financial instruments just as a positive defense measure against identified risks. Total underlying assets and liabilities under financial instrument contracts are limited to the amount of actual assets and liabilities entailing an underlying risk. The only purpose of transactions with financial derivative instruments is to reduce the exposure to fluctuation of interest rates and foreign exchange rates and maintain a proper structure of the financial position.

At period closing, Company's financial instruments represented:

	2015	2014	January 2014
Financial assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	810,647	2,706,110	2,515,697
Trade receivables and other accounts receivable	237,451	178,536	183,303
Related parties (1)	71,887	54,374	18,244
Financial investments measured at fair value	67,027	20,344	1,486
Other non-current financial assets	138,177	147,063	138,371
Financial liabilities			
Related parties (1)	157,619	118,241	103,044
Trade accounts payable	2,505,973	2,438,468	1,875,555
Financial liabilities	4,441,457	194,337	252,292
Financial liabilities, including derivative instruments	2,351	5,643	-
Net exposure	(5,782,211)	349,738	626,210

(1) Transactions with related parties refer to transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries and other related parties, and are carried in accordance with market prices and general terms and conditions.

The fair value of the other financial instruments mentioned represents an approximation to book values pursuant to agreed-upon payment terms. A detail of financial instruments measured at amortized cost whose value is different from the carrying amount is provided in Note 10 Other financial assets and Note 22 Other financial liabilities, respectively.

#### Considerations of risk factors that might have an effect on Company business

#### General framework for risk management

The Company's Comprehensive Risk Management System includes an internal control system that seeks to provide a proper treatment to situations that might have an effect on the fulfilment of its goals.

Controls have been implemented at all levels, processes and areas of the Company and Entrepreneurial Group, through a set of policies, principles, regulations, procedures and verification and assessment systems defined by the relevant governance bodies. In addition, the Company has an organizational transformation management office, where the operation model and organizational structure are permanently reviewed, including the design of the controls required for the assurance of key processes, projects and information systems.

Some of the systems implemented to meet risk control and management goals are:

- The self-control program, implemented approximately 14 years ago, which recognizes the "ability of people to consider control as an intrinsic part of their responsibilities, fields of action and decision making". This program consists of a self-assessment of the most critical risks and key controls, carried out half-yearly by process leaders, and a definition with the same frequency of corrective action plans wherever deviations are identified.
- The transparency program, led by the Ethics Committee, made of the HR Vice President, the Internal Auditor and the Secretary General, offers reporting channels such as: the transparency line 18000 52 25 26 or the email etica@grupoexito.com.

During 2015, the internal audit, in an independent and objective manner, conducted a risk-based assessment focused on compliance with business goals and on the most significant projects of the Company, including risk management, control and governance. The assessment included assurance and consultancy processes supported on the transparency program and on investigations, based on which recommendations were issued and actions plans were defined to be developed jointly with management and process leaders, seeking to improve the design and close the gaps in the internal control system.

On its part, an independent third party carried out an audit, including accounting and financial processes and systems, preparation and disclosure of financial information, risks and internal control having an effect on financial information, and compliance with the Law, the Bylaws and the decisions of the Board of Directors.

In addition, the Board of Directors and the Audit and Risk Committee supervised the accounting, information and financial reporting processes; risk management; internal control system and architecture, including the assessment of performance of Internal Audit and Statutory Audit; audit and statutory audit processes; compliance with laws and regulations, and company codes of conduct.

The Company has implemented a Comprehensive Risk Management Policy, with defined roles and responsibilities, a centralized area to lead and support the identification, assessment, management and ongoing monitoring of risks methodology, to reflect the reality and changes in market conditions, businesses, projects and key processes. Controls have been implemented at all levels, processes and areas of the Company and Entrepreneurial Group, through a set of policies, principles, regulations, procedures and verification and assessment systems defined by the relevant governance bodies.

The Audit and Risk Committee supports the Board of Directors in supervising the compliance with the Comprehensive Risk Management system to ensure compliance with Company goals, ongoing monitoring of the most relevant risk maps, most significant treatment measures and proper development of the Internal Control System. In turn, this Committee is supported by Internal Audit and Statutory Audit, who conduct independent assessment of risk management controls and procedures, which results are regularly reported to such Committee.

#### Financial risk management

Besides derivative instruments, the most significant of the Company's financial liabilities include debt, finance leases and interest-bearing loans, trade accounts payable and other accounts payable. The main purpose of such liabilities is to finance the Company's operations and maintain proper levels of working capital and net financial debt.

The most significant of the Company's financial assets include loans, trade debtors and other accounts receivable, as well as cash and short-term placements directly resulting from routine transactions. In addition, the Company has other investments classified as financial assets measured at fair value, which, according to the business model, have effects on period results or in other comprehensive income. Further, other rights that will be recorded as financial assets may arise from transactions with derivative instruments.

The Company has an exposure to market, credit and liquidity risks. Company management monitors the manner in which such risks are managed, through the relevant levels of the organization. The scope of the Board of Directors' activities includes an investments committee that supervises such financial risks and the financial risk management corporate framework that is most appropriate to the Group. The investments committee supports Company management in that financial risk assumption activities fall within the approved corporate policies and procedures framework, and that such financial risks are identified, measured and managed pursuant to such corporate policies.



Teams of specialists with the required capabilities and experience, who are supervised by the organizational structure, manage the financial risks related to all transactions with derivative instruments. Pursuant to corporate policies, no transactions with derivative instruments may be carried out solely for speculation. When accounting hedge models do not apply, then derivatives are negotiated based on an underlying element that in fact requires such hedging in accordance with company analyses.

The Board of Directors reviews and agrees on the policies applicable to manage each of these risks, which are summarized below:

#### i) Credit risk

A credit risk is the risk that a counterpart fail to comply with his obligations taken on under a financial instrument or trade agreement, resulting in financial loss. The Group is exposed to credit risk arising from its operating activities (particularly from trade debtors) and from its financial activities, including deposits in banks and financial institutions and other financial instruments.

The book value of financial assets represents the maximum exposure to credit risks.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

The credit risk arising from balances with banks and financial entities is managed by the Company's treasury department and in accordance with corporate policies defined for such purpose. Surplus funds are only invested with approved counterparties and within previously established jurisdictions. On a quarterly basis, Company management reviews the general financial conditions of counterparties, assessing the most significant financial ratios and market ratings.

#### Trade receivables and other accounts receivable

The credit risk associated with trade receivables is low given that most of the Company sales are cash sales (cash and credit cards) and financing activities are conducted under trade agreements that reduce the Company's exposure to risk. In addition, there are administrative collections departments that permanently monitor the payment behavior and risk models by each third party. A portion of trade receivables is sold to financial entities; such sale is recognized as a derecognition of trade receivables, and the credit risk, benefits and control over such assets is transferred to the mentioned entities.

There are no individual trade receivables equivalent to or exceeding 5% of accounts receivable or sales, respectively.

#### Guarantees

The Company's policy is to provide financial guarantees only to its subsidiaries. At December 31, 2015, the Company has issued guarantees in favor of certain suppliers and financial entities related to credit facilities granted to C-Discount Colombia S.A.S. to a maximum of \$23,000.

#### ii) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, namely changes in exchange rates, interest rates or stock prices, have a negative effect on the Company's income or on the value of the financial instruments it holds. The purpose of market risk management is to manage and control exposure to this risk within reasonable parameters while optimizing profitability.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the probability that the fair value of financial assets and liabilities, or the future cash flows of financial instruments, fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. The Company's exposure to the interest rate risk is mainly related to debt obligations incurred at variable interest rates or indexed to an index beyond the control of the Company.

Most of the Company's financial liabilities are indexed to market variable rates. To manage the risk, the Company enters into financial exchange transactions via derivative financial instruments (interest rate swaps) with previously approved financial institutions, under which it agrees on exchanging, at specific intervals, the difference between the amounts of fixed interest rates and variable interest rates estimated over an agreed upon nominal principal amount, which turns variable rates into fixed rates and cash flows may then be determined.

Financial assets and liabilities by type of interest rate

	20	2015		14
	Variable- income rate	Fixed- income rate	Variable- income rate	Fixed- income rate
Financial assets	1,015,850	309,339	2,706,109	400,318
Financial liabilities	4,443,808	2,663,592	194,497	2,562,192

#### **Currency risk**

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of financial instruments fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates. The Company's exposure to exchange rate risk is attached, in the first place, to liability transactions in foreign currency associated with long-term liabilities and with the Company's operating activities (wherever revenues and expenses are denominated in a currency other than the functional currency of the Company), as well as with Company's net investments in foreign subsidiaries.

The Company manages its exchange rate risk via derivative financial instruments (namely forwards and swaps) wherever such instruments are efficient to mitigate volatility.

Wherever the nature of the hedge is not economic, the Company's policy is to negotiate the conditions of derivative instruments in such a way that they correlate with the terms of the underlying elements that are the purpose of the hedge, seeking to maximize the efficacy in the exposure to such variables. Not all financial derivatives are classified as hedging transactions; however, Company policy is not to carry out transactions solely for speculation, and consequently even if not classified as hedge accounting, derivative financial instruments are associated to an underlying element and a notional amount that expose the Company to variations in exchange rates.

At December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the Company had hedged 71% and 68% of its purchases and liabilities in foreign currency, respectively.

Financial assets and liabilities in foreign currency:

	2015	2014
	US Dollar	US Dollar
Financial assets	17,382,952	34,708,045
Financial liabilities	624,639,780	111,424,651

#### Stock price risk

Share capital issued, premium on the issue or placement of shares and all other equity reserves attributable to the shareholders of the controlling entity are included for the purposes of managing the price of Company stock. The main purpose of managing the Company's share capital is to maximize the value to shareholders.

The Company manages its share capital structure and makes the required adjustments as a function of changes in economic conditions and requirements of financial clauses. In order to maintain and adjust its capital structure, the Company may also modify the payment of dividends to shareholders, reimburse capital contributions or issue new shares.

#### iii) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company might face difficulties to fulfil its obligations associated with financial liabilities, which are settled by delivery of cash or other financial assets. The Company's approach to manage liquidity is to ensure, in as much as possible, that it will always have the liquidity required to meet its obligations at maturity, both under ordinary and stress circumstances, without incurring unacceptable losses or putting its reputation at risk.



The Company manages liquidity risks by monitoring its cash flows and maturities of financial assets and liabilities on a daily basis, and by maintaining proper relations with the relevant financial institutions in each country.

The purpose of the Company is to maintain a balance between business continuity and the use of financing sources through short-term and long-term bank loans according to needs, unused credit lines available from financial institutions and finance leases, among other mechanisms. Approximately 10% of Company debt will mature in less than one year at December 31, 2015 (2014: 81%) considering the book value of loans included in these financial statements.

The Company has rated the concentration of liquidity risk as low with respect to the possibility of refinancing its debt. Access to financing sources is widely ensured, and debt maturing within twelve months of reporting period closing could be restructured with existing creditors without significant restriction, bearing in mind that some of these liabilities were originally negotiated in the short term as "Bridge Loans".

The following table shows a profile of maturities of the Company's financial liabilities based on non-discounted contract payments arising from the relevant agreements.

At December 31, 2015	Less than 1 year	From 1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
Finance lease liabilities, gross	5,788	13,259	4,398	23,445
Other relevant contract liabilities	436,344	3,021,273	971,635	4,429,252
Total	442,132	3,034,532	976,033	4,452,697

At December 31, 2014	Less than 1 year	From 1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
Finance lease liabilities, gross	5,414	28,357	8,059	41,830
Outstanding bonds and securities	152,441	-	-	152,441
Other relevant contract liabilities	64	-	-	64
Total	157,919	28,357	8,059	194,335

#### Sensitivity analysis for 2015 balances

From a statistical standpoint, the Company assessed the potential changes in interest rates of financial liabilities and other significant contract liabilities. Assuming complete normality and considering about 70% of the potential interest rates, three scenarios have been assessed:

- Scenario I: Interest rates equal to rates used to calculate the fair value.
- Scenario II: An increase of 0.03% is assumed for Banking Reference Rate (BRR); an increase of 0.0026% is assumed for LIBOR at 30 days, and an increase of 0.0044% is assumed for LIBOR at 90 days. All increases on the latest published interest rate.
- A reduction of 0.03% is assumed for BRR; a reduction of 0.0026% is assumed for LIBOR at 30 days, and a reduction of 0.0044% is assumed for LIBOR at 90 days. All reductions on the latest published interest rate.

The sensitivity analysis did not result in significant variance among the three scenarios and consequently they are unobservable when rounding amounts to millions. Potential changes are as follows:

			Market forecast		
Operations	Risk	Balance at December 31, 2015	Scenario I	Scenario II	Scenario III
Loans	Increase in interest rates	4,107,868	4,108,407	4,108,407	4,108,407
Finance leases	Increase in interest rates	23,446	23,598	23,598	23,598
Total		4,131,314	4,132,005	4,132,005	4,132,005

#### iv) Insurance policies

At December 31, 2015, the Company has acquired the following insurance policies to mitigate the risks associated with the entire operation:

Insurance lines of coverage	Coverage limits	Coverage
		Losses or sudden and unforeseen damage and incidental
		damage sustained by covered property, directly arising from
All risk, Damages and Loss of Profits	There is a liability ceiling per each policy	any event not expressly excluded. Covers buildings,
		furniture and fixtures, machinery and equipment, goods, electronic equipment, improved facilities, other insured's
		property.
Freight incurance	Annual transportation budget	Property and goods owned by the insured, including those
Freight insurance	Armual transportation budget	on which it has insurable interest.
		Full coverage to address claims and insurance
Third party liability	There is a coiling per each severage	compensation for damages to customers or third parties
Tillu party liability	There is a ceiling per each coverage	arising from the risks generated in the regular operation of
		the business.
Discordance of afficient line little		Covers claims resulting in civil liability arising from wrongful
Director's and officers' liability insurance	There is a ceiling per each coverage	acts or alleged wrongful acts of directors and officers acting
indutation		in the exercise of their respective functions.
		Coverage:
Deception and financial risks	There is a ceiling per each coverage	Willful misconduct of employees
		Loss inside and outside of property or premises
Group life insurance and accident	The insured amount relates to the number of	Death and total and permanent disability arising from natural
insurance	wages defined by the Company	and accidental death
		Third party liability
		Total and partial loss - Damages.
Vehicles - Almacenes Éxito S.A.	100% coverage with deductible of 2 SMMLV	Total and partial loss - Theft
		Earthquake
		Other coverages as described in the policy

#### v) Derivative financial instruments

As mentioned above, the Company uses derivative financial instruments to hedge risk exposure, with the main purpose of hedging Company exposure to interest rate risk and exchange rate risk, turning the financial debt into fixed interest rates and domestic exchange rates.

At December 31, 2015, the reference value of these contracts amounted to \$ 424.5 M USD and 2.1 M EUR (2014 77.2 M USD). Such transactions are generally contracted under identical conditions regarding amounts, terms and transaction costs and, preferably, with the same financial institutions, always in compliance with Company limits and policies.

Pursuant to Company's treasury policy, the swaps shall not be subject to restriction (caps), or special margins, return clauses, double rates, flexible options or transactions, other than traditional debt hedging swaps.



The Company has designed and implemented internal controls to ensure that these transactions are carried out in compliance with previously defined policies.

#### vi) Fair value of derivative financial instruments

The fair value of derivative financial instruments is estimated under the operating cash flow forecast model, using government treasury security curves in each country and discounting them at present value, using market rates for swaps as disclosed by the relevant authorities in such countries.

Swap market values were obtained by applying market exchange rates valid on the date of the interim financial information available, and the rates are forecasted by the market based on currency discount curves. A convention of 365 consecutive days was used to calculate the coupon of foreign currency indexed positions.

#### Note 39. Relevant facts

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#### Agreement on the sale of trade establishments entered into between Almacenes Éxito S.A. and Caja de Compensación Familiar - CAFAM

On February 23, 2015, the Company entered into an agreement with Caja de Compensación Familiar - CAFAM to sell trade establishments, which main purpose was: (i) the sale by Cafam to the Company of the stores owned by Cafam and operated by the Company; (ii) the sale by the Company to Cafam of drugstores owned by the Company and operated by Cafam; (iii) the sale by the Company to Cafam of Carulla drugstores owned by the Company; and (iv) the termination of the Cooperation Agreement executed on September 23, 2010 which established, among other, the obligation of each party to pay to the other party a share of the stores and drugstores net monthly sales.

#### Acquisition of 100% of Lanin S.A.

On February 26, 2015 Larenco S.A., a subsidiary domiciled in Uruguay, acquired an additional share interest of 3.18% represented in 98,287 shares of Lanin S.A., owner of Devoto stores in that country.

Such acquisition resulted from the exercise of seller shareholders' right to sell and consolidated the Company's 100% interest in Lanin S.A., through Spice Investment Mercosur S.A., owner of 7.37% and Larenco S.A. that consolidates a 92.63% interest.

#### Exercise of the purchase option on Super Inter stores.

On April 15, 2015, the Company exercised the option to acquire 29 trade establishment under the Súper Inter banner and the intellectual property rights associated to the Súper Inter trademark, title to which was vested in Comercializadora Giraldo Gómez ("Comercializadora"), pursuant to the purchase option agreement executed on February 8, 2014.

The Company thus acquired ownership of the trade establishments it had been operating since October 2014 under an operation agreement, as well as the trade name, trademarks, slogans and other intellectual property elements associated to the Súper Inter trademark, which use had been granted to the Company under a license agreement. Consequently, the operation agreement and the license agreement were terminated, including obligations imposed by such agreements on each of the parties.

Such transaction is completed upon compliance with the requirements of the Superintendence of Industry and Trade to carry out the integration operation, which included the obligation to sell to a competitor 4 out of the 50 trade establishments originally included in the transaction, that is, the sale of 2 out of 19 establishments that were the purpose of the sale-purchase agreement and of 2 of 31 establishments that were the purpose of the operation agreement.

#### Acquisition of control of Grupo Disco del Uruquay S.A. through Spice Investments Mercosur S.A.

On April 27, 2015, the Company entered into a Shareholders Agreement relevant to Grupo Disco Uruguay S.A. (GDU), with a two-year term, which granted to it the voting rights of more than 75% of such company and represented effective control and global consolidation of the financial statements.

Previously, in September 2011, the Company had acquired a share interest of 62.49% in this company under a situation of joint control arising from the capital structure and the various types of shares, which was accounted for using the equity method until December 31, 2014.

The valuation method used to measure the fair value of the previous interest in GDU was mainly based on the discounted cash flow method.

The Company recognized a profit of \$29,681 arising from the measurement at fair value of the 62.49% participation held in GDU prior to the business combination, for the period ended December 31, 2015.

The non-controlling interest in GDU was measured at fair value.

#### Appointment of new members of the Board of Directors.

Due to the death of Mr. Nicanor Restrepo Santamaría, the Board of Directors and the CEO of the Company called an extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders to appoint the new members of the Board for the remaining of the period until 2016.

On June 11, 2015, the Meeting of Shareholders confirmed the appointment of 8 of the 9 members of the Board elected during the ordinary meeting held in March 2014, and as new member appointed Luis Fernando Alarcón Mantilla, who was also appointed as Chairman.

#### Damage to Almacén Éxito Las Flores in Valledupar.

Because of an act of nature, on June 23, 2015 the premises of Almacén Éxito Las Flores in Valledupar were damaged and technical studies concluded that it was necessary to rebuild the store.

At present, the Company is in the process of providing the insurance company with supporting evidence of damages.

This store is expected to reopen during the first quarter of 2016.

### Approval of the acquisition of shares of Compañía de Financiamiento TUYA S.A.

On July 1, 2015, the Company and its subsidiary Almacenes Éxito Inversiones S.A.S. entered into a share sales-purchase agreement with Bancolombia S.A., Fundación Bancolombia and Fondo de Empleados del Grupo Bancolombia, by means of which they will acquire 50% of the outstanding shares of Compañía de Financiamiento Tuya S.A. ("Tuya"), company through which an alliance has been developed over a decade between Bancolombia and the Company for the promotion of consumer lending on products such as Éxito Credit Card, among other.

Closing was conditional, among other, upon the approval by the Colombian Financial Superintendence, which was granted on December 31, 2015. Once all other authorizations required are obtained and paperwork is finalized, the parties will proceed to fulfil their obligations.

#### Funding of investments in Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição and Libertad S.A.

#### Peso credit facility agreement.

A peso credit facility agreement was entered into on July 29, 2015, by means of which certain Colombian financial institutions granted the Company a credit facility for up to \$3,500,000 (three trillion five hundred billion Colombian pesos). Fiduciaria Bancolombia was appointed as general partner to the contract. An amendment to said agreement was executed on December 21, 2015, including the main following changes to borrowing terms and conditions:



(i) Amendment to borrowing amounts as per the following detail:

	Total contract value	Amount disbursed under initial terms and conditions	Amount disbursed under current terms and conditions
Long-term loan in millions of pesos - 10 years	\$2,000,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000
Short-term loan in millions of pesos - 18 months	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	-
Medium-term loan in millions of pesos - 5 years	-	-	\$838,000
Revolving credit in millions of pesos - 12 months, renewable	500,000	400,000	400,000
Total	3,500,000	3,250,000	3,088,000
Bridge loan in millions of US Dollars (18 months)	USD400	USD400	-
Syndicated loan in millions of US Dollars (3 years)	-	-	USD450
Total in USD	USD400	USD400	USD450

- (ii) Extension of the weighted average term of repayment from 3.4 to 4.3 years, resulting from:
- Partial payment of the eighteen-month Short-Term Trench of the Peso Credit Facility agreement.
- Extension of the remaining Short-Term Trench of the Peso Credit Facility, from 18 months to 5 years (now the "Medium-Term Trench").

Obligations agreed upon under these agreements include, among other, compliance with a leverage ratio of maximum 4.5x until September 30, 2016, 4.x until September 30, 2018, and 3.x as of October 1, 2018 in the separate financial statements, and maximum 3.x in the consolidated financial statements. Neither the original credit facility agreement nor the amendments thereto require the granting of collaterals by the Company in favor of creditors.

#### US Dollar credit facility agreement.

A US Dollar credit facility agreement was entered into with Citibank N.A. on July 29, 2015 granting a credit facility available in amount of USD 400,000,000, which was fully disbursed on August 20, 2015.

The bridge loan was repaid and the agreement terminated on December 21, 2015; a new syndicated credit facility agreement in US Dollars was entered into with Citigroup Global Markets INC., Banco Santander S.A., BNP Paribas Securities Corp., Credit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC., The Bank of Nova Scotia, The Bank of Tokio-Mitsuibishi UFJ, LTD., over a 3-year term, with availability of USD 450,000,000, which were fully disbursed. Citibank N.A. was appointed as general partner to the contract.

Obligations agreed upon under these agreements include, among other, compliance with a leverage ratio of maximum 4.5x until September 30, 2016, 4.x until September 30, 2018, and 3.x as of October 1, 2018 in the separate financial statements, and maximum 3.x in the consolidated financial statements. Neither the original credit facility agreement nor the amendments thereto require the granting of collaterals by the Company in favor of creditors.

#### Investments in Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição and Libertad S.A.

In compliance with the share purchase-sale agreements entered into with Casino Guichard Perrachon on July 29, 2015, the Company acquired 100% of Onper Investments 2015 S.L., which indirectly owns 18.76% of the capital investment and 49.97% of the voting rights of Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição (CBD), a company with domicile in Brazil, in amount of USD 1,536, and 100% of the shares of Libertad S.A., a company domiciled in Argentina, in amount of USD 292,655,077.

#### Changes in administrative structure

On September 1, 2015, the Board appointed Mr. Carlos Mario Díez Gómez, who occupied the position of Retail Vice-President, as Chief Operating Officer of the Retail operation in Colombia; the creation of the International Business Vice-President position, to be occupied by Mr. José Gabriel Loaiza Herrera, who was formerly the Commercial and Supply Vice-President; and finally, appointed the following Vice-Presidents: Jacky Yanovich Mizrachi as Sales and Operations Vice-President and Carlos Ariel Gómez Gutierrez as Commercial Vice-President.

## Action seeking protection of fundamental rights ("acción de tutela") arising from the investments in Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição and Libertad S.A.

Notice of the final decision for the Company, under the appeal of the acción de tutela proceedings brought by a minority shareholder was served on December 10, 2015. The appeal court found that there was no violation of the fundamental rights of said shareholder.

#### 2014

#### Cdiscount

During 2014, Almacenes Éxito contributed to the development of e-commerce in Colombia by launching to the Colombian market, jointly with Grupo Casino and as a complement of the websites www.exito.com and www.carulla.com, the site www.cdiscount.com, an e-commerce pure player focused on non-food products and on the development of the market place strategy, that enables customers to acquire online products offered by various suppliers.

Additionally, the Company and its partners Cdiscount Internacional and Cnova, expanded the trademark Cdiscount to other countries in Latin America, such as Ecuador and Panama, opening to the public e-commerce sites under such trademark in said countries.

#### Super Inter

Because of the agreements entered into with Comercializadora Giraldo y Gómez y Cía. S.A. and after the endorsement of the Superintendence of Industry and Trade (SIC), the parent acquired 19 trade establishments and the power to operate another 31, for a five-year period, thus consolidating its leadership in the Valle del Cauca and Eje Cafetero regions. By means of Resolution No. 54416 of September 12, 2014, the Superintendence made the 4 remaining stores subject to the condition of being sold to a third party during the first quarter of 2015.

#### Incorporation of Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S.

With the intention of strengthening its logistics infrastructure and transport operation, the Company incorporated and linked Logística, Transporte y Servicios Asociados S.A.S., to the Grupo Empresarial Éxito S.A. seeking to consolidate the presence of the Grupo Empresarial Éxito S.A. in more than 100 cities, improving its home delivery service promise, e-commerce and proximity formats as part of its omni-channel strategy.

#### Launching of Viva Villavicencio

With the expansion of the Sabana Shopping Mall in Villavicencio, and jointly with Grupo Argos, the Company opened to the public the Viva Villavicencio Shopping Mall, the largest trade project in the region, with 145 business premises, 131,000 sq. mts. of construction, 51,000 sq. mts. of commerce areas and 80,000 sq. mts. of common areas and service areas. With this opening, the Company continues to consolidate its real estate business, accomplishing 10 shopping malls, 220,000 sq. mts. of leasable space, more than 4,000 business premises and more than 700 domestic and international business partners.

#### Note 40. Events subsequent to the reporting period

No events occurred subsequent to the date of the reporting period that entail significant changes in the Company.



Separate financial ratios
At December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2015 (amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

	2015	2014
1. LIQUIDITY RATIOS		
Current ratio	0.71	1.43
Solidity	1.98	3.46
Working capital / Operating revenue (%) (*)	-9.5	12.9
Inventory quick ratio	0.38	1.04
Suppliers / Inventories	1.73	1.74
2. INDEBTEDNESS (%)		
Total debt	50.4	28.9
Short-term debt concentration	45.2	94.0
Financial debt	29.3	1.8
Net financial expense / Recurring EBITDA (**)	-16.5	-5.5
Operating profit / Financial results (**)	4.50	13.91
Operating revenue / Total financial debt	2.37	48.80
3. RETURN (%) Profit margin before non-operating revenue and expenses	5.3	5.7
Net margin	5.4	5.1
Return on assets	3.8	4.6
Return on equity	7.6	6.5
Recurring EBITDA margin	7.1	7.5
Gross profit / Operating revenue	24.1	24.2
4 ODER ATIMO EFFICIENCY (TIMES)		
4. OPERATING EFFICIENCY (TIMES) Total asset turnover	0.69	0.90
Inventory turnover	6.97	6.41
Supplier turnover	4.02	4.18
Gross profit hedge / Sales expenses	2.48	2.54
Fixed assets turnover	3.45	3.04
Administration expenses / Gross profit (%)	7.0	7.2
		20.4
Sales expenses / Gross profit (%)	40.3	39.4

 $<sup>(^*)</sup>$  A negative amount means current liability is higher than current expense.  $(^{**})$  A negative amount means financial revenue.

## Analysis of separate financial ratios

December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2015

#### Liquidity ratios:

Liquidity ratios evolve due to lower cash and higher short-term liabilities arising from the debt related with the acquisition of operations in Brazil and Argentina.

Current ratio moved from 1.43 in 2014 to 0.71 in 2015; solidity ratio went down from 3.46 to 1.98 and liquidity ratio dropped significantly from 1.04 to 0.38. On the contrary, the supplier-inventory ratio improved, evidencing a higher capacity to release working capital.

#### Debt ratios:

Debt ratios evidence an effect that is similar to and congruent with a strategy of higher leverage due to acquisitions.

Financial debt increased due to higher financial liabilities, from 1.85% to 29.27%, and the operating revenue-total financial liabilities ratio dropped from 48.8 to 2.37. On the other hand, the concentration of short-term debt dropped significantly due to the maturity of bonds during 2015 in amount of \$150,000 and the negotiation of longer terms (10, 5, 3 and 1 year) for new debt.

It is worth mentioning that by the end of 2014 before international acquisitions, Grupo Éxito had a surplus Net Financial Debt position.

#### Return ratios:

Recurring EBITDA margin, which reflects Company ability to yield profits through its operations, decreased by 42 basis points during 2015, from 7.52% to 7.10%. The decrease is due to a slightly lower gross margin arising from the aggressive price strategy that the Group has been implementing to face the competition in Colombia.

Instead, the net margin increased by approximately 46 basis points, from 5.12% to 5.44%.

Return on equity increased by 114 basis points and reached 7.6%, because of higher leverage and improved net margin.

#### **Operating Trend and Operating Efficiency Ratios:**

The Company improved its operating efficiency through increased inventory turnover and increased financing from suppliers. Average inventory days were 52, as compared to 56 days in 2014, whilst payments to suppliers took around 90 days as compared to average 86 days during the preceding year. The result is a negative cash conversion cycle and lower current ratio, which reflects the ability of the Organization to leverage with suppliers' funds.

Administration expenses decreased as a percentage of gross profit, and hedging of sales expenses was slightly lower than in 2014.



# Supplementary information at December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 (Amounts expressed in millions of Colombian pesos)

	2015	<b>2014</b> 10,830,989		
Total assets	15,183,107			
Total liabilities	7,654,625	3,125,982		
Net sales	10,271,383	9,498,986		
Ordinary quarterly dividend (*)	145.23	132.75		
Share equity value (*)	16,820	17,214		
SHARES	40			
Par value (*)	10	10		
Average price on the stock exchange (*)	16,163	28,956		
Ceiling price on the stock exchange (*)	28,980	33,280		
Price floor on the stock exchange (*)	10,020	24,400		
Closing price on the stock exchange (*)	13,500	29,200		
Number of shares issued by the Company	448,240,151	448,240,151		
Own shares repurchased	635,835	635,835		
Number of shares outstanding	447,604,316	447,604,316		
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  Current trade receivables and other receivables  Current accounts receivable from related parties and associates	217,742	162,155		
Inventories available for sale	71,887	54,374		
	1,117,890	1,128,005		
Current assets	2,460,490	4,196,628		
Property, plant and equipment, net	2,961,052	2,900,345		
Short-term and long-term financial liabilities	4,441,457	41,895		
Current liabilities	3,461,837	2,937,316		
Short-term employee benefits	90,330	91,038		
Shareholders' equity	7,528,482	7,705,007		
SHAREHOLDERS' CONTRIBUTED CAPITAL Authorized	5,300	5,300		
Subscribed and paid-in	4,482	4,482		
Premium on placement of shares	4,843,466	4,843,466		
EMPLOYMENT Llandaumt	14 774	44.000		
Headcount	41,771	41,090		
DIVIDENDS				
Payment date	Between the sixth and the tenth business day of April, July and October 2015, and January 2016	Between the sixth and the tenth business day of April, July and October 2014, and January 2015		
Total cash per share (*)	580.92	531		

	2015	2014		
TAXES				
Income tax receivable, net	103,751	50,061		
Income tax for equality CREE receivable, net	12,217	5,363		
Sales tax payable, net	25,521	13,204		
Industry and trade tax and property tax payable, net	31,527	27,848		
Current income tax and income tax for equality CREE expense	84,421	99,032		
Deferred income tax movement for the year	145,661	67,214		
OPERATIONS				
Cost of sales	7,996,657	7,394,406		
Depreciation and amortization expense	194,024	175,241		
Other administration and distribution operating expenses	1,008,187	925,205		
Employee benefit expenses	785,763	705,641		
Financial expenses	793,402	148,497		
Financial revenue	916,625	188,633		
_RESERVES				
Mandatory	7,857	7,857		
Occasional	1,411,559	1,212,715		
PROFIT				
Gross profit	2,542,640	2,364,274		
Profit from operating activities	535,939	555,533		
EBITDA (**)	729,963	730,774		
Profit before income tax from continuing operations	803,577	665,676		

<sup>(\*)</sup> Amounts expressed in Colombian pesos. (\*\*) Earnings before interest, taxes, amortization and depreciation.



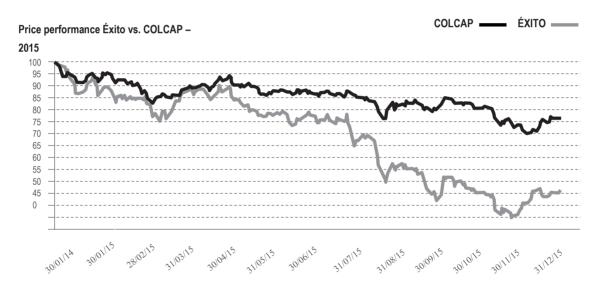
## Shareholder information

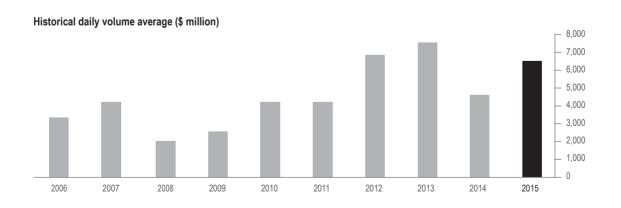
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### Share price trend on the Colombia Stock Exchange, BVC

YEAR	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Ceiling price (*)	16,060	19,020	17,100	19,900	25,000	28,500	37,300	36,560	33,280	28,980
Price floor (*)	7,510	13,420	7,360	9,000	16,020	21,000	24,000	27,800	24,400	10,020
Closing price (*)	15,920	17,100	10,160	19,500	23,360	25,460	35,500	30,000	29,200	13,500
Average price (*)	11,000	15,507	11,394	13,830	19,779	24,297	28,603	32,166	28,956	16,163
Average volume (\$ million)	3,332	4,192	1,997	2,535	4,147	4,199	6,814	7,512	4,578	6,472
Market capitalization (\$ million)	3,327,290	4,850,025	2,881,652	6,496,893	7,786,647	11,396,006	15,889,953	13,428,129	13,070,046	6,042,658

(\*) in Colombian pesos.





### Share information

YEAR	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Common dividend (\$)(*)	25.0	25.0	60.0	60.0	60.0	75.0	108.75	132.75	132.75	145.23
Number of shares (million)	209.0	283.6	283.6	333.2	333.3	447.6	447.6	447.6	447.6	447.6

<sup>(\*)</sup> From 2008 to 2015, dividends were paid on a quarterly basis; during 2007, dividends were paid monthly.