

4.8 Statutory Auditors' report on the Company's annual financial statements ⁽¹⁾

Year ended 31 December 2014

Ladies and Gentlemen

In compliance with the assignment entrusted to us by your general meeting of shareholders, we hereby report to you, for the year ended 31 December 2014, on:

- the audit of the accompanying financial statements of COFACE SA;
- the justification of our assessments;
- the specific verifications and information required by law.

These financial statements have been approved by the Board of Directors. Our role is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

◆ 1 Opinion on the financial statements

We conducted our audit in accordance with professional standards applicable in France; those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures, using sampling techniques or other methods of selection, to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made, as well as the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets and liabilities and of the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2014 and of the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with French accounting principles.

◆ 2 Justification of our assessments

In accordance with the requirements of article L.823-9 of the French Commercial Code (Code de commerce), we bring to your attention the following matters.

Paris La Défense, March 30, 2015

Francine Morelli
Partner

Neuilly sur Seine, March 30, 2015

Damien Leurent
Partner

The assets of your company is mainly made up of "interests in related companies" for which the methods of valuation are set out in Note 2 "Accounting principles, rules and policies" of the notes to the annual financial statements.

We assessed the approaches and valuation methods of those assets used by the company, described in the annual financial statements and based on the information available to date, performed tests to check the implementation of these methods.

These assessments were made as part of our audit of the financial statements, taken as a whole, and therefore contributed to the opinion we formed which is expressed in the first part of this report.

◆ 3 Specific verifications and information

We have also performed, in accordance with professional standards applicable in France, the specific verifications required by French law.

We have no matters to report as to the fair presentation and the consistency with the financial statements of the information given in the management report of the Board of Directors, and in the documents addressed to shareholders with respect to the financial position and the financial statements.

Concerning the information given in accordance with the requirements of article L.225-102-1 of the French Commercial Code ("Code de commerce") relating to remunerations and benefits received by the directors and any other commitments made in their favour, we have verified its consistency with the financial statements or with the underlying information used to prepare these financial statements and, where applicable, with the information obtained by your Company from companies controlling your Company or controlled by it. Based on this work, we attest the accuracy and fair presentation of this information.

In accordance with French law, we have verified that the required information concerning the purchase of investments and controlling interests and the identity of the shareholders (or holders of the voting rights) has been properly disclosed in the management report.

(1) This is a free translation into English of the statutory auditors' report on the financial statements issued in French and it is provided solely for the convenience of English-speaking users. The statutory auditors' report includes information specifically required by French law in such reports, whether modified or not. This information is presented below the audit opinion on the financial statements and includes an explanatory paragraph discussing the auditors' assessments of certain significant accounting and auditing matters. These assessments were considered for the purpose of issuing an audit opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole and not to provide separate assurance on individual account balances, transactions, or disclosures. This report also includes information relating to the specific verification of information given in the management report and in the documents addressed to shareholders. This report should be read in conjunction with, and construed in accordance with, French law and professional auditing standards applicable in France.