

# INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT First quarter 2015

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#### Selected financial and operating data for the period 1 January - 31 March 2015

_(DKKm)	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Net revenue	12,601	11,602
Gross profit	2,682	2,465
Operating profit before special items	641	546
Operating margin	5.1%	4.7%
Conversion ratio	23.9%	22.2%
Profit before tax	569	161
Adjusted earnings for the period	454	373
Adjusted free cash flow	143	486
Diluted adjusted earnings per share of DKK 1 for the period	2.65	2.12

Jens Bjørn Andersen, CEO: "We have started 2015 at full speed. The Air & Sea Division continued the positive development of 2014, and the Road Division has turned around the negative development that dampened last year's performance. We are now seeing the effect of the streamlining initatives we launched in 2014, and reporting EBIT growth of 17% for the first three months of the year we have reason to be optimistic about the next three quarters."

DSV maintains its full-year outlook for 2015 previously announced.

A separate company announcement about the launch of a new share buyback programme of DKK 500 million will be issued today.

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#### Financial highlights\*

	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Income statement (DKKm)		
Net revenue	12,601	11,602
Gross profit	2,682	2,465
Operating profit before amortisation, depreciation and special items	769	676
Operating profit before special items	641	546
Net special items, costs	-	300
Net financial expenses	72	85
Profit before tax	569	161
Profit for the period	427	119
Adjusted earnings for the period	454	373
Balance sheet (DKKm)		
DSV A/S shareholders' share of equity	6,049	5,945
Non-controlling interests	30	28
Balance sheet total	24,981	23,504
Equity	6,079	5,973
Net working capital	454	221
Net interest-bearing debt	6,088	5,800
Invested capital including goodwill and customer relationships	12,123	11,848
Gross investment in property, plant and equipment	128	31
Cash flows (DKKm)		
Operating activities	348	558
Investing activities	(205)	(72)
Free cash flow	143	486
Adjusted free cash flow	143	486
Financing activities	14	(596)
Share buyback	(252)	(156)
Dividends distributed	(283)	(270)
Cash flow for the period	157	(110)
Financial ratios (%)		
Gross margin	21.3	21.2
Operating margin	5.1	4.7
Conversion ratio	23.9	22.2
Effective tax rate	25.0	26.1
ROIC before tax including goodwill and customer relationships	22.7	21.6
ROIC before tax excluding goodwill and customer relationships	81.0	75.4
Return on equity	30.0	24.0
Solvency ratio	24.2	25.3
Gearing ratio	1.9	1.9
Share ratios		
Earnings per share of DKK 1 for the period	2.51	0.68
Diluted earnings per share of DKK 1 for the period	2.49	0.67
Diluted adjusted earnings per share of DKK 1 for the period	2.65	2.12
Diluted adjusted earnings per share of DKK 1 for the last 12 months	11.07	10.22
Number of shares issued ('000)	177,000	180,000
Average number of shares for the last 12 months ('000)	171,778	176,167
Average number of diluted shares for the last 12 months ('000)	173,064	177,160
Share price at 31 March (DKK)	216.30	174.90
Staff		
Number of full-time employees at 31 March	22,599	22,133
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\*) For a definition of the financial highlights, please refer to pages 76-77 of the 2014 Consolidated Annual Report.

# Management's commentary

Reporting organic gross profit growth of 5% and organic growth in EBIT before special items of 9%, DSV started 2015 on a positive note. Driven by growth in freight volumes the Air & Sea Division and the Road Division reported operating profit growth, whereas the Solutions Division saw a slight drop.

**D** EBIT before special items increased by 17.4% and totalled DKK 641 million for Q1 2015



#### Profit for the period

#### **Net revenue**

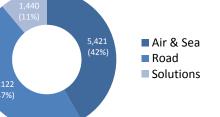
Net revenue was up 8.6% on the same period last year and totalled DKK 12,601 million for the first three months of 2015. Organic growth was 5.6%.



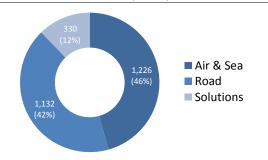
Gross profit was up 8.8% on the same period last year and totalled DKK 2,682 million for Q1 2015. Organic growth was 4.8%.

Both net revenue and gross profit were positively affected by increasing freight volumes. The Air & Sea Division also saw a positive impact from high exchange rates.





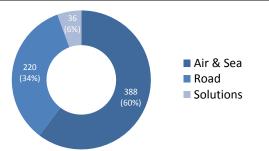
#### **GROSS PROFIT YTD 2015 (DKKm)**



The Air & Sea and Road Divisions contributed to the high gross profit, while the Solutions Division delivered gross profit in line with last year.

The Group's gross margin for the first three months of 2015 was 21.3% and in line with the same period of 2014.

#### Operating profit before special items YTD 2015 (DKKm)



#### Operating profit before special items

Operating profit before special items increased by 17.4% on Q1 2014 and totalled DKK 641 million for the first three months of 2015. The organic growth was 8.5%.

The operating margin (before special items) came to 5.1% for the first three months of 2015 against 4.7% for the corresponding period of 2014. Conversion ratio was 23.9% against 22.2% for the same period of 2014.

The high earnings were attributable to Air & Sea and Road, with both Divisions delivering gross profit growth and improved productivity. Solutions reported a slight drop in earnings. High exchange rates impacted positively on operating profit by DKK 45 million in Q1 2015 compared to the same period last year. Currency translation adjustments affected the Air & Sea Division in particular.

The Operational Excellence 2.0 restructuring programme launched in 2014, under which various streamlining and cost saving initiatives were implemented, contributed to the improved earnings in Q1 2015. The cost saving measures had a positive impact on gross profit and also affected staff costs and other external expenses.

#### Effective tax rate

The effective tax rate was in line with expectations at 25.0% for the first three months of 2015 against 26.1% for the same period of 2014.

#### Profit for the period

The profit for the period was DKK 427 million against DKK 119 million for the same period of 2014. The increase owed partly to the high operating profit and partly the decline in special items relating to the Operational Excellence 2.0 programme compared to 2014.

#### Diluted adjusted earnings per share

Diluted adjusted earnings per share were DKK 2.65 for the first three months of 2015, which was 25% higher than for the same period last year. The increase was attributable to the increase in adjusted earnings and the reduced number of shares as a result of the share buybacks made.

The 12-month figure to the end of March 2015 was DKK 11.07 per share against DKK 10.22 for the same period of 2014, corresponding to an increase of 8.3%.

#### GROWTH

		Currency translation				
(DKKm)	Q1 2014	adjustments	Acquisitions, net	Organic growth	Organic growth	Q1 2015
Net revenue	11,602	287	46	666	5.6%	12,601
Gross profit	2,465	90	5	122	4.8%	2,682
EBIT before special items	546	45	-	50	8.5%	641

#### **Cash flows**

#### Working capital

The Group's funds tied up in net working capital came to DKK 454 million at 31 March 2015 against DKK 221 million at 31 March 2014. Relative to estimated full-year revenue the net working capital was 0.9% at 31 March 2015 (31 March 2014: 0.5%).

The high net working capital was partly attributable to the high activitiy level compared to the first three months of 2014. Furthermore, short-term provisions at 31 March 2014 were impacted by the Operational Excellence 2.0 programme.

#### Cash flow from operating activities

Cash flow from operating activities was DKK 348 million for the first three months of 2015 against DKK 558 million for the same period of 2014. Cash flow from operating activities was positively affected by the high operating profit. However, compared to Q1 2014, the high net working capital and payment of short-term provisions impacted negatively on cash flow.

#### Cash flow from investing activities

Cash flow from investing activities was negative at DKK 205 million for the first three months of 2015 against a negative DKK 72 million for the same period of 2014. The increase was mainly a result of property transactions relating to temporary investments which will be reversed in connection with the completion of ongoing property projects (sale and leaseback).

#### Free cash flow

Free cash flow for the three-month period under review came to DKK 143 million against DKK 486 million for the same period last year.

#### **CASH FLOW STATEMENT**

(DKKm)	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
(Britin)	Q1 2013	Q12014
EBITDA before special items	769	676
Change in net working capital	(120)	(24)
Adjustment, non-cash operating items	(110)	353
Adjustment, other operating items	(191)	(447)
Cash flow from operating activities	348	558
Purchase and sale of intangibles, property, plant and		
equipment	(181)	(68)
Acquisition and disposal of subsidiaries and activities	-	-
Other	(24)	(4)
Cash flow from investing activities	(205)	(72)
Free cash flow	143	486
Proceeds from and repayment of short-term and long-		
term debt	454	(226)
Allocated to shareholders	(535)	(426)
Exercise of share options	62	13
Other transactions with shareholders	33	43
Cash flow from financing activities	14	(596)
Cash flow for the period	157	(110)
Adjusted free cash flow	143	486

#### **Capital structure and finances**

#### Equity

At 31 March 2015, Group equity came to DKK 6,049 million. At 31 March 2014, Group equity came to DKK 5,945 million.

Equity was mainly affected by the distribution of dividends, share buybacks and the profit for the period. Including treasury shares, ordinary dividends of DKK 283 million were paid in the period under review, corresponding to a dividend of DKK 1.60 per share.

At 31 March 2015, the Company's portfolio of treasury shares amounted to 7,840,292 shares, corresponding to 4.43% of all 177,000,000 shares issued. At 30 April 2015, the Company's portfolio of treasury shares amounts to 5,526,692 shares.

DSV reduced its share capital on 13 April 2015 through the cancellation of 2,000,000 treasury shares. The capital reduction was carried out in accordance with the resolution passed at the Company's Annual General Meeting on 12 March 2015. Consequently, the share capital of DSV has a current nominal value of DKK 175,000,000, corresponding to 175,000,000 shares with a face value of DKK 1.

The solvency ratio excluding non-controlling interests came to 24.2% at 31 March 2015. At 31 March 2014, the solvency ratio was 25.3%.

#### **DEVELOPMENT IN EQUITY**

(DKKm)	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Equity at 1 January	6,052	6,218
Net profit for the period	426	119
Dividends distributed	(283)	(270)
Purchase of treasury shares	(252)	(156)
Sale of treasury shares	62	13
Adjustments relating to hedging instruments	6	5
Tax on changes in equity	16	(7)
Other adjustments, net	22	23
Equity at 31 March	6,049	5,945

#### Net interest-bearing debt

Net interest-bearing debt amounted to DKK 6,088 million at 31 March 2015 against DKK 5,800 million at 31 March 2014. At 31 March 2015, the financial gearing ratio was 1.9 and in line with the Group's target.

The duration of the Group's long-term loan and credit facilities was 4.5 years at 31 March 2015 against 4.6 years at 31 March 2014.

#### Net financial expenses

Financial expenses netted DKK 72 million for the three-month period under review against DKK 85 million for the same period of 2014.

### Invested capital including goodwill and customer relationships

The Group's invested capital including goodwill and customer relationships amounted to DKK 12,123 million at 31 March 2015 against DKK 11,848 million at 31 March 2014. The increase was mainly due to the development in net working capital.

### Return on invested capital (ROIC including goodwill and customer relationships)

Return on invested capital including goodwill and customer relationships was 22.7% for the 12-month period ended 31 March 2015 against 21.6% for the 12-month period ended 31 March 2014.

#### Impact of seasonality

Seasonality does not have any major impact on the activities of the Group.

#### Outlook for 2015

DSV maintains its full-year outlook for 2015 previously announced:

- Gross profit is expected to be in the range of DKK 10,500-10,900 million
- Operating profit before special items is expected to be in the range of DKK 2,700-2,900 million
- Net financial expenses are expected to approximate DKK 300 million
- The effective tax rate of DSV is expected to be 25%
- Free cash flow before any acquisition or divestment of enterprises is expected to approximate DKK 2,000 million

The outlook for 2015 is based on the assumption of a stable development in the markets in which the Group operates.

MARKET GROWTH FORECAST – FREIGH	T VOLUMES, 2015
Sea freight	Growth 3-5%
Air freight	Growth 3-5%
Road	Growth 1-2%
Solutions	Growth 1-2%

The consolidated performance forecast is based on the exchange rates listed below:

#### **EXCHANGE RATES**

EUR	745
GBP	970
HKD	81
CNY	100
SEK	79
USD	640

By their nature, the expectations stated above are uncertain and involve various risks. Critical factors may influence actual results. Such factors include, but are not limited to, unforeseen changes in economic and political conditions, changes in the demand for DSV's services, consolidation in the industry and impact from the acquisition and divestment of enterprises, and other material factors, including interest rate and exchange rate fluctuations. These factors may result in the actual development and results of the Group differing from the expectations set out in this Report.

### **DSV Air & Sea**

#### **Activities**

The Air & Sea Division specialises in the transportation of cargo by air and sea. The Division offers conventional freight services and tailored project cargo solutions through its Project Department.

DSV Air & Sea delivered 25.2% growth in EBIT before special items for Q1 2015. The increase was a result of freight volume growth, productivity improvements and high exchange rates.



**77** The Division reported a 4% increase in sea freight volumes and 8% in air freight for Q1 2015

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#### **INCOME STATEMENT**

(DKKm)	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Net revenue	5,421	5,024
Direct costs	4,195	3,970
Gross profit	1,226	1,054
Other external expenses	264	236
Staff costs	545	481
EBITDA before special items	417	337
Amortisation and depreciation	14	12
Amortisation of customer relationships	15	15
EBIT before special items	388	310
KEY OPERATING DATA		
	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Gross margin (%)	22.6	21.0
Conversion ratio (%)	31.6	29.4
Operating margin (%)	7.2	6.2
Number of employees at 31 March	6,796	6,285

Number of	employees at 31 March	
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Total invested capital (DKKm)
Net working capital (DKKm)
ROIC (%)

#### Market development

#### Freight volume growth on Q1 2014

	DSV	Market*
	Q1 2015	Q1 2015
Sea freight – TEUs	4%	2-3%
Air freight – tonnes	8%	3-4%

\*) Market growth rates are based on own estimates.

The Air & Sea Division reported an increase in sea freight volumes (TEUs) of 4% for Q1 2015 compared to the same period of 2014. The market is estimated to have grown 2-3% in the three-month period. European imports were impacted by the weak euro, a situation which had a dampening effect on volume growth on the major Asia-Europe trade lane in the first three months of the year.

The air freight volumes of the Division grew by 8% in Q1 2015 compared to the same period of 2014, with market growth estimated at 3-4% for the period.

#### **Net revenue**

Net revenue was up 7.9% and totalled DKK 5,421 million for the first quarter of the year. Adjusted for the effect of currency translation, revenue was in line with the first three months of 2014, as the increase in freight volumes was counterbalanced by a decline in average freight rates. Freight rates declined partly as a result of low fuel prices.

#### **Gross profit**

Gross profit was up 16.3% and totalled DKK 1,226 million for the period. The organic growth was 6.6%.

Gross profit was positively affected by the growth in freight volumes and high exchange rates. Gross profit per shipment increased for both sea freight and air freight compared to the same period last year, the currency translation effect again a main contributing factor.

The gross margin for the three-month period under review was 22.6% against 21.0% for the same period of 2014.

#### **EBIT** before special items

EBIT before special items increased by 25.2% and totalled DKK 388 million for Q1 2015. The organic growth was 11.2%.

Conversion ratio was 31.6% for the three-month period under review against 29.4% for the same period last year. The increase was attributable to the Division's continued focus on profitable growth and productivity improvements. As part of the Division's operating activities, investments are made to further expand the Division's network, i.a., through the opening of new offices and the continued integration of acquirees in Africa.

The Division's operating margin for the first quarter of 2015 was 7.2% against 6.2% for the same period last year.

#### Working capital

The Air & Sea Division's funds tied up in net working capital came to DKK 1,160 million at 31 March 2015 against DKK 909 million at 31 March 2014. The increase was mainly a result of high activity levels and high exchange rates.

#### GROWTH

		Currency				
		translation				
(DKKm)	Q1 2014	adjustments	Acquisitions, net	Organic growth	Organic growth	Q1 2015
Net revenue	5,024	342	56	(1)	0.0%	5,421
Gross profit	1,054	89	7	76	6.6%	1,226
EBIT before special items	310	39	-	39	11.2%	388

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#### AIR AND SEA SPLIT

	Sea fre	ight	Air fre	eight	To	al
(DKKm)	Q1 2015	Q1 2014	Q1 2015	Q1 2014	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Net revenue	3,276	3,018	2,145	2,006	5,421	5,024
Direct costs	2,563	2,402	1,632	1,568	4,195	3,970
Gross profit	713	616	513	438	1,226	1,054
Gross margin (%) Volume (TEUs/tonnes) Gross profit per unit (DKK)	21.8 204,057 3,492	20.4 195,970 3,142	23.9 71,749 7,153	21.8 66,654 6,586	22.6	21.0

### **DSV Road**

#### Activities

With a complete European network DSV Road is among the top three road freight companies in Europe. The Division offers full load, part load and groupage services through a strong network of more than 200 terminals across Europe.

DSV Road delivered 10.6% growth in EBIT before special items for Q1 2015. The increase was driven by a growing number of consignments and improved gross profit per consignment.



The Division reported 5% growth in the number of consignments for Q1 2015

#### **INCOME STATEMENT**

(DKKm)	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Net revenue	6,122	6,024
Direct costs	4,990	4,945
Gross profit	1,132	1,079
Other external expenses	274	254
Staff costs	606	593
EBITDA before special items	252	232
Amortisation and depreciation	28	28
Amortisation of customer relationships	4	5
EBIT before special items	220	199

#### **KEY OPERATING DATA**

Conversion ratio (%)19.418.4Operating margin (%)3.63.3Number of employees at 31 March9,2069,457Total invested capital (DKKm)3,1673,725Net working capital (DKKm)(522)(321)		Q1 2015	Q1 2014
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Net working capital (DKKm) (522) (321)	Number of employees at 31 March	9,206	9,457
	Total invested capital (DKKm)	3,167	3,725
ROIC (%) 24.9 24.5	Net working capital (DKKm)	(522)	(321)
	ROIC (%)	24.9	24.5

#### Market development

#### Freight volume growth on Q1 2014

		Market*
	DSV	(Europe)
	Q1 2015	Q1 2015
Consignments	5%	1-2%

\*) Market growth rates are based on own estimates.

With consignment growth of approx. 5% in Q1 2015 compared to the same period last year, Management estimates that the Road Division has gained market share. The Division continued the positive development in number of consignments that also characterised 2014.

#### **Net revenue**

Net revenue was up 1.6% and totalled DKK 6,122 million for the first quarter of the year. The organic growth was 2.4%.

Net revenue was mainly influenced by the growth in number of consignments, while the average invoiced price per consignment dropped, mainly as a result of low fuel prices.

#### **Gross profit**

Gross profit was up 4.9% and totalled DKK 1,132 million for the first three months of 2015. The organic growth was 4.9%.

The Division's gross margin for the three-month period under review was 18.5% against 17.9% for the same period last year.

In a market characterised by continued fierce price competition, the Division managed to increase its average earnings per consignment. This owed partly to increased profitability on contracts that were concluded in 2014 and where operations have been optimised.

#### **EBIT** before special items

EBIT before special items increased by 10.6% and totalled DKK 220 million for the first quarter of 2015. The organic growth was 8.4%.

The conversion ratio for the period under review was 19.4% against 18.4% for the same period last year. The operating margin for the period was 3.6% against 3.3% for the same period last year.

The Operational Excellence 2.0 programme implemented in 2014 had a positive impact on both gross profit and EBIT before special items for the first three months of 2015. Under the programme a few loss-making activities have been discontinued and a number of business processes have been optimised and centralised.

#### Working capital

The Division's funds tied up in net working capital came to a negative DKK 522 million at 31 March 2015 against a negative DKK 321 million at 31 March 2014.

#### GROWTH

		translation				
(DKKm)	Q1 2014	adjustments	Acquisitions, net	Organic growth	Organic growth	Q1 2015
Net revenue	6,024	(47)	-	145	2.4%	6,122
Gross profit	1,079	-	-	53	4.9%	1,132
EBIT before special items	199	4	-	17	8.4%	220

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## **DSV Solutions**

#### Activities

DSV Solutions specialises in logistics solutions across the entire supply chain, including freight management, customs clearance, warehousing and distribution, information management and e-business support.

The Division reported a DKK 10 million drop in EBIT before special items for Q1 2015. The negative development was mainly attributable to low gross margin in connection with the implementation of new contracts.



Division volumes measured in order lines increased by approx. 5% in Q1 2015

#### **INCOME STATEMENT**

(DKKm)	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Net revenue	1,440	1,345
Direct costs	1,110	1,015
Gross profit	330	330
Other external expenses	125	105
Staff costs	133	140
EBITDA before special items	72	85
Amortisation and depreciation	27	30
Amortisation of customer relationships	9	g
EBIT before special items	36	46

#### **KEY OPERATING DATA**

	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Gross margin (%)	22.9	24.5
Conversion ratio (%)	10.9	13.9
Operating margin (%)	2.5	3.4
Number of employees at 31 March	5,690	5,830
Total invested capital (DKKm)	1,495	1,594
Net working capital (DKKm)	29	44
ROIC (%)	17.1	15.2

#### Market development

#### Volume growth on Q1 2014

		Market*
	DSV	(Europe)
	Q1 2015	Q1 2015
Order lines	5%	1-2%

\*) Market growth rates are based on own estimates.

Division volumes measured in order lines increased by approx. 5% in the three-month period under review compared to the same period of 2014, while the market is estimated to have grown 1-2%. The first quarter of 2015 was affected by a steady inflow of new customers and the planned discontinuation of a few existing contracts.

#### **Net revenue**

Net revenue was up 7.1% and totalled DKK 1,440 million for the first three months of 2015. The organic growth was 8.1%.

#### **Gross profit**

Gross profit was DKK 330 million for the three-month period under review and in line with the same period of 2014.

The gross margin for the period under review was 22.9% against 24.5% for the same period of 2014.

The European contract logistics market is still characterised by surplus capacity resulting in continued price pressure. In addition, the first three months were impacted by costs related to the implementation of new contracts. This item is part of operating costs, but involved large-scale expenses in the three months under review.

#### **EBIT** before special items

EBIT before special items was DKK 36 million for the first three months of 2015 against DKK 46 million for the same period of 2014. The organic growth was a negative 25%.

Conversion ratio for the three-month period under review was 10.9% against 13.9% for the same period last year. The operating margin was 2.5% for the three-month period under review against 3.4% for the same period last year.

The Division's performance for the quarter under review was impacted by the transfer of certain Solutions activities (in the APAC region) which were previously operated by DSV Air & Sea. The activities are still of moderate size and the transfer was made in response to the Division gaining increasing foothold in new markets outside Europe.

#### Working capital

The Solutions Division's funds tied up in net working capital came to DKK 29 million at 31 March 2015 against DKK 44 million at 31 March 2014.

#### GROWTH

		translation				
(DKKm)	Q1 2014	adjustments	Acquisitions, net	Organic growth	Organic growth	Q1 2015
Net revenue	1,345	(4)	(9)	108	8.1%	1,440
Gross profit	330	3	(2)	(1)	(0.3%)	330
EBIT before special items	46	2	-	(12)	(25.0%)	36

### **Interim financial statements**

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#### **INCOME STATEMENT**

_(DKKm)	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Net revenue	12,601	11,602
Direct costs	9,919	9,137
Gross profit	2,682	2,465
Other external expenses	543	512
Staff costs	1,370	1,277
Operating profit before amortisation, depreciation and special items	769	676
Amortisation and depreciation of intangibles, property, plant and equipment	128	130
Operating profit before special items	641	546
operating profit before special items	041	540
Net special items		300
Financial income	18	10
Financial expenses	90	95
Profit before tax	569	161
Tax on profit for the period	142	42
Profit for the period	427	119
Profit for the period is attributable to:		
Shareholders of DSV A/S	426	119
Non-controlling interests	1	-
Earnings per share:		
Earnings per share of DKK 1 for the period	2.51	0.68
Diluted earnings per share of DKK 1 for the period	2.49	0.67
Supplementary information		

#### Supplementary information:

Diluted adjusted earnings per share of DKK 1 for the period Diluted adjusted earnings per share of DKK 1 for the last 12 months

#### STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(DKKm)	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Profit for the period	427	119
Items that will be reclassified to income statement		
when certain conditions are met:		
Currency translation adjustments, foreign enterprises	-	4
Fair value adjustment relating to hedging instruments	(7)	(12)
Fair value adjustment relating to hedging instruments transferred to financials	13	17
Tax on items reclassified to income statement	-	-
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	6	9
Total comprehensive income	433	128
Total comprehensive income is attributable to:		
Shareholders of DSV A/S	431	128
Non-controlling interests	2	
Total	433	128

#### CASH FLOW STATEMENT

(DKKm)	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Operating profit before amortisation, depreciation and special items	769	676
Adjustment, non-cash operating items etc.:		
Share-based payments	10	10
Change in provisions	(120)	343
Change in net working capital	(120)	(24)
Special items	-	(300)
Interest received	18	10
Interest paid	(92)	(69)
Corporation tax, paid	(117)	(88)
Cash flow from operating activities	348	558
Purchase of intangible assets	(63)	(50)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(118)	(29)
Disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	11
Change in other financial assets	(24)	(4)
Cash flow from investing activities	(205)	(72)
Free cash flow	143	486
Proceeds from and repayment of short-term and long-term debt	440	(214)
Other financial liabilities incurred	14	(12)
Shareholders:		
Dividends distributed	(283)	(270)
Purchase of treasury shares	(252)	(156)
Sale of treasury shares, exercise of share options	62	13
Other transactions with shareholders	33	43
Cash flow from financing activities	14	(596)
Cash flow for the period	157	(110)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	432	707
Cash flow for the period	157	(110)
Currency translation adjustments	(128)	1
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March	461	598
The cash flow statement cannot be directly derived from the balance sheet and income statement.		
Statement of adjusted free cash flow		
Free cash flow	143	486
Net acquisition of subsidiaries and activities	-	-
Normalisation of working capital in subsidiaries and activities acquired	-	-
Adjusted free cash flow	143	486

#### **BALANCE SHEET, ASSETS**

Total assets	24,981	23,504	23,680
	11,053	10,110	10,040
Total current assets	11,053	10,118	10,040
Assets held for sale	27	23	25
Cash and cash equivalents	461	598	432
Other receivables	964	858	985
Work in progress (services)	809	779	744
Trade receivables	8,792	7,860	7,854
Total non-current assets	13,928	13,386	13,640
Deferred tax asset	499	437	488
Other receivables	320	149	297
Property, plant and equipment	4,132	3,815	3,927
Intangible assets	8,977	8,985	8,928
(DKKm)	31.03.2015	31.03.2014	31.12.2014
	24.02.2015	31.03.2014	21 12 2014

#### BALANCE SHEET, EQUITY AND LIABILITIES

(DKKm)	31.03.2015	31.03.2014	31.12.2014
Share capital	177	180	177
Reserves	5,872	5,765	5,875
DSV A/S shareholders' share of equity	6,049	5,945	6,052
Non-controlling interests	30	28	29
Total equity	6,079	5,973	6,081
Deferred tax	342	420	366
Pensions and similar obligations	1,317	1,032	1,311
Provisions	346	382	328
Financial liabilities	5,875	5,620	5,702
Total non-current liabilities	7,880	7,454	7,707
Provisions	317	601	474
Financial liabilities	884	778	589
Trade payables	5,338	4,523	4,782
Work in progress (services)	1,558	1,409	1,377
Other payables	2,674	2,507	2,458
Corporation tax	251	259	212
Total current liabilities	11,022	10,077	9,892
Total liabilities	18,902	17,531	17,599
Total equity and liabilities	24,981	23,504	23,680

#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY - 1 JANUARY - 31 MARCH 2015

(DKKm)	Share capital	Reserve for treasury shares	Hedging reserve	Translation reserve	Retained earnings	DSV A/S shareholders' share of equity	Non- controlling interests	Total equity
Equity at 1 January 2015	177	(7)	(28)	(239)	6,149	6,052	29	6,081
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	426	426	1	427
Currency translation adjustments, foreign								
enterprises	-	-	-	(1)	-	(1)	1	-
Fair value adjustments relating to hedging instruments	-	-	(7)	-	-	(7)	-	(7)
Fair value adjustments relating to hedging instruments transferred to financial expenses	-	-	13	-		13	-	13
Tax on other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	-	-	6	(1)		5	1	6
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	6	(1)	426	431	2	433
Transactions with owners:								
Share-based payments	-	-	-	-	10	10	-	10
Dividends distributed	-	-	-	-	(283)	(283)	-	(283)
Purchase of treasury shares	-	(1)	-	-	(251)	(252)	-	(252)
Sale of treasury shares	-	-	-	-	62	62	-	62
Capital reduction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dividends on treasury shares	-	-	-	-	12	12	-	12
Other adjustments	-	-	-	-	1	1	(1)	-
Tax on transactions with owners	-	-	-	-	16	16	-	16
Total transactions with owners	-	(1)	-	-	(433)	(434)	(1)	(435)
Equity at 31 March 2015	177	(8)	(22)	(240)	6,142	6,049	30	6,079

#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY - 1 JANUARY - 31 MARCH 2014

(DKKm)	Share capital	Reserve for treasury shares	Hedging reserve	Translation reserve	Retained earnings	DSV A/S shareholders' share of equity	Non- controlling interests	Total equity
	180	(5)	(38)	(44)	6,125	6,218	30	6,248
Equity at 1 January 2014	100	(3)	(30)	(44)	0,125	0,210		0,240
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	119	119	-	119
Currency translation adjustments, foreign								
enterprises	-	-	-	4	-	4	-	4
Fair value adjustments relating to hedging								
instruments	-	-	(12)	-	-	(12)	-	(12)
Fair value adjustments relating to hedging			( )			· · · ·		、
instruments transferred to financial expenses	-	-	17	-	-	17	-	17
Tax on other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	-	-	5	4	-	9	-	9
· · · · ·								
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	5	4	119	128	-	128
<b>—</b>								
Transactions with owners:					40	10		40
Share-based payments Dividends distributed	-	-	-	-	10 (270)		-	10
	-	-	-	-	· · /	(270)	-	(270)
Purchase of treasury shares	-	(1)	-	-	(155) 13	(156) 13	-	(156) 13
Sale of treasury shares	-	-	-	-	8		-	8
Dividends on treasury shares	-	-	- 1	-	0	8	(2)	
Other adjustments Tax on transactions with owners	-	-	I	-	- (7)	(7)	(2)	(1) (7)
Tax on transactions with owners	-	(1)	- 1	-	(7) (401)	(401)	(2)	(403)
Total transactions with owners	-	(1)	I	-	(401)	(401)	(2)	(403)
Equity at 31 March 2014	180	(6)	(32)	(40)	5,843	5,945	28	5,973

### Notes

#### NOTE 1 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Interim Financial Report has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" as adopted by the European Union and Danish disclosure requirements for listed companies.

Except as stated below, the accounting policies applied are consistent with those applied in the 2014 consolidated financial statements. The 2014 consolidated financial statements provide a full description of the accounting policies applied.

#### Changes in accounting policies

DSV A/S has implemented the standards and interpretations effective as from 1 January 2015. None of the changes affected DSV's recognition and measurement of financial items.

Certain reclassifications have been made to the income statement which are not critical and which have not affected operating profit before special items or profit for the period.

#### NOTE 2 - ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

For the preparation of the Interim Financial Report, Management makes various accounting estimates and judgements that affect the application of accounting policies and the recognition of assets, liabilities and income and expense items. Actual operating results may deviate from such estimates.

Significant accounting estimates and judgements are consistent with those applied in the 2014 consolidated financial statements.

#### NOTE 3 – SEGMENT INFORMATION

						Other activities, non- allocated items and				
	Air &	Sea	Roa	Road		Solutions		ations	Total	
(DKKm)	Q1 2015	Q1 2014	Q1 2015	Q1 2014	Q1 2015	Q1 2014	Q1 2015	Q1 2014	Q1 2015	Q1 2014
Revenue	5,421	5,024	6,122	6,024	1,440	1,345	227	202	13,210	12,595
Intercompany revenue	(100)	(213)	(262)	(511)	(35)	(82)	(212)	(187)	(609)	(993)
Net revenue	5,321	4,811	5,860	5,513	1,405	1,263	15	15	12,601	11,602
Gross profit	1,226	1,054	1,132	1,079	330	330	(6)	2	2,682	2,465
Other external expenses	264	236	274	254	125	105	(120)	(83)	543	512
Staff costs	545	481	606	593	133	140	86	63	1,370	1,277
Amortisation and depreciation of intangibles, property, plant and										
equipment	29	27	32	33	36	39	31	31	128	130
Operating profit before special										
items	388	310	220	199	36	46	(3)	(9)	641	546
Total assets	13,476	13,607	13,604	11,450	3,389	3,622	(5,488)	(5,175)	24,981	23,504
Total liabilities	12,174	10,028	8,466	7,451	3,604	3,352	(5,342)	(3,300)	18,902	17,531

#### **NOTE 4 – INCENTIVE SCHEME**

DSV has launched an incentive share option scheme with a view to retaining senior staff and members of the Executive Board. The incentive schemes are also intended to make staff and shareholders identify with the same interests.

Options are granted pursuant to the corporate guidelines for incentive pay for staff of DSV A/S as approved at the Annual General Meeting of the Company on 14 March 2014.

The options can be exercised by the employees by cash purchase of shares only. The obligation relating to incentive schemes is covered by the Company's treasury shares.

Under the 2015 scheme, share options have been granted to 1,164 employees.

Scheme	Exercise period	Executive Board	Senior Staff	Options granted	Exercise price	Market value at date of grant (DKKm)
2015	03.04.18-31.03.20	170,000	1,998,000	2,168,000	215	39.7
Estimated market value	e at date of issue					
Scheme	Exercise price	Share price	Volatility	Risk-free interest rate	Expected dividends	Expected remaining life (years)
2015	215	215	15.5%	0.30%	1.25%	3.5

The market value is calculated according to the Black & Scholes valuation model. The assumptions used are based on Management's estimates.

#### Incentive schemes at 31 March 2015

The aggregate market value of the Group's incentive schemes was DKK 462.2 million, of which share options amounting to DKK 38.5 million were held by Executive Board members.

### Statement by the Board of Directors and the Executive Board

The Board of Directors and the Executive Board have today considered and adopted the Interim Financial Report of DSV A/S for the threemonth period ended 31 March 2015.

The Interim Financial Report, which has not been audited or reviewed by the Company auditor, has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" as adopted by the European Union and Danish disclosure requirements for interim financial reports of listed companies.

In our opinion, the interim financial statements give a true and fair view of the DSV Group's assets, equity, liabilities and financial position at 31 March 2015 and of the results of the Group's activities and the cash flow for the three-month period ended 31 March 2015.

We also find that the Management's commentary provides a fair statement of developments in the activities and financial situation of the Group, financial results for the period, the general financial position of the Group and a description of the major risks and elements of uncertainty faced by the Group.

Hedehusene, 30 April 2015

#### **Executive Board:**

Jens Bjørn Andersen Jens H. Lund CEO CFO

#### **Board of Directors:**

Kurt K. Larsen Chairman Annette Sadolin

Birgit W. Nørgaard

Thomas Plenborg

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