

**Admiral Group plc**  
**29 April 2008**  
**Interim Management Statement**

Admiral Group plc ('Admiral' or 'the Group') today releases its first Interim Management Statement, covering the period from 1 January to 28 April 2008. Unless otherwise stated, figures quoted are for the quarter ended 31 March 2008.

**Comment from Henry Engelhardt, Chief Executive**

"I'm pleased to report that the Group has continued to make strong progress during 2008 and is on track to deliver another record year, at least in line with market consensus.

"Against a backdrop of little movement in prices in the UK motor market in the first quarter, we continue to deliver strong underwriting and ancillary profit growth, whilst making pleasing progress in our international businesses."

**Group highlights**

- Turnover\* up 14% v Q1 2007 to £232m
- Number of customers increased 17% year on year to 1.57m
- UK ancillary contribution per vehicle increased to £70 (£69 in 2007)
- Confused.com turnover up by 15%, although with substantially increased marketing spend and therefore materially lower margins
- Stable return on funds invested of 5.6%

*\* Turnover is defined as total premiums written (including co-insurers' shares), other revenue and investment return*

**UK Motor insurance**

Admiral's UK business continues to grow healthily, with premium and vehicles both achieving double-digit growth over the same period one year ago. UK insured vehicles grew 12% compared to the end of March 2007 (11% in calendar 2007).

Admiral's premium rates at the end of March 2008 were around 5% higher than March 2007, although have moved little in 2008.

There has been little change in claims experience over the period and Admiral expects to make further substantial reserve releases in 2008.

**International**

Balumba in Spain continues to grow the number of vehicles insured whilst seeing significant improvements in its combined ratio.

The Group's Italian business remains on track to launch later this year, and agreement has been reached with Munich Re, which will underwrite a 65% share of premium income.

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