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Aon Reports Third Quarter 2023 Results

Third Quarter Key Metrics

- Total revenue increased 10% to \$3.0 billion, including organic revenue growth of 6%
- Operating margin increased 150 basis points to 23.4%, and operating margin, adjusted for certain items, increased 120 basis points to 24.3%
- EPS increased 16% to \$2.23, and EPS, adjusted for certain items, increased 15% to \$2.32
- For the first nine months of 2023, cash flows from operations was \$2,174 million, and free cash flow decreased 4% to \$1,971 million

Third Quarter Highlights

- Repurchased 2.6 million class A ordinary shares for approximately \$850 million
- Announced the acceleration of its Aon United strategy across Aon Business Services, Risk Capital and Human Capital, and the Aon Client Leadership Model, including a cash restructuring charge of ~\$900 million, which is expected to drive ~\$350 million in annual, run-rate savings by the end of 2026
- Announced the acquisition of NGS Seguros and signed a definitive agreement to acquire Global Insurance Brokers, both expected to expand presence and Risk Capital capabilities in Latin America and India, respectively

DUBLIN - October 27, 2023 - Aon plc (NYSE: AON) today reported results for the three months ended September 30, 2023.

Net income attributable to Aon shareholders increased 12% to \$456 million, or \$2.23 per share on a diluted basis, compared to \$408 million, or \$1.92 per share on a diluted basis, in the prior year period. Net income per share attributable to Aon shareholders, adjusted for certain items, increased 15% to \$2.32 on a diluted basis, including an unfavorable impact of \$0.01 per share if prior year period results were translated at current period foreign exchange rates ("foreign currency translation"), compared to \$2.02 in the prior year period. Certain items that impacted third quarter results and comparisons with the prior year period are detailed in the "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures - Operating Income, Operating Margin and Diluted Earnings Per Share" on page 10 of this press release.

"Our global team delivered strong operating results in the third quarter, including 6% organic revenue growth and 120 basis points of adjusted operating margin improvement, contributing to 7% organic revenue growth and 80 basis points of adjusted margin expansion year to date, demonstrating the strength of our Aon United strategy," said Greg Case, Chief Executive Officer. "We see an ongoing evolution in client demand that will require new and integrated solutions, powered by better analytics, and delivered through Aon Business Services across Risk Capital and Human Capital. To capture this opportunity, we are accelerating our strategy to take Aon Business Services to the next level to enable sustainable value creation for clients, colleagues, and shareholders."

THIRD QUARTER 2023 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Total revenue in the third quarter increased 10% to \$3.0 billion compared to the prior year period reflecting 6% organic revenue growth, a 2% favorable impact from fiduciary investment income and a 2% favorable impact from foreign currency translation.

Total operating expenses in the third quarter increased 7% to \$2.3 billion compared to the prior year period due primarily to an increase in expense associated with 6% organic revenue growth, investments in long-term growth, and a \$45 million unfavorable impact from foreign currency translation.

Foreign currency translation in the third quarter had a \$2 million, or \$0.01 per share, unfavorable impact on U.S. GAAP net income and a \$2 million, or \$0.01 per share, unfavorable impact on adjusted net income. If currency were to remain stable at today's rates, the Company would expect a favorable impact of \$0.03 per share in the fourth quarter of 2023, and an unfavorable impact of approximately \$0.17 per share, or an approximately \$51 million decrease in adjusted operating income for full year 2023.

Effective tax rate was 16.6% in the third quarter compared to 18.0% in the prior year period. After adjusting to exclude the applicable tax impact associated with certain non-GAAP adjustments, the adjusted effective tax rate for the third quarter of 2023 was 17.2% compared to 19.1% in the prior year period. The primary drivers of the change in the adjusted effective tax rate were the geographical distribution of income and a net favorable impact from discrete items.

Weighted average diluted shares outstanding decreased to 204.6 million in the third quarter compared to 212.6 million in the prior year period. The Company repurchased 2.6 million class A ordinary shares for approximately \$850 million in the third quarter. As of September 30, 2023, the Company had approximately \$4.1 billion of remaining authorization under its share repurchase program.

YEAR TO DATE 2023 CASH FLOW SUMMARY

Cash flows provided by operations for the first nine months of 2023 decreased \$3 million to \$2,174 million compared to the prior year period, primarily due to higher cash tax payments and a negative impact to working capital due to temporary invoicing delays associated with the implementation of a new system, partially offset by strong operating income growth.

Free cash flow, defined as cash flows from operations less capital expenditures, decreased 4%, to \$1,971 million for the first nine months of 2023 compared to the prior year period, reflecting a decrease in cash flows provided by operations and a \$77 million increase in capital expenditures. Capital expenditures were elevated compared to the prior year period as we executed a number of projects across technology to drive long-term growth.

THIRD OUARTER 2023 REVENUE REVIEW

The third quarter revenue reviews provided below include supplemental information related to organic revenue growth, which is a non-GAAP measure that is described in detail in "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures - Organic Revenue Growth and Free Cash Flow" on page 9 of this press release.

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(millions)		2023	2022	% Change	Less: Currency Impact	Less: Fiduciary Investment Income	Less: Acquisitions, Divestitures & Other	Organic Revenue Growth
Revenue								
Commercial Risk Solutions	\$	1,585	\$ 1,482	7 %	1 %	2 %	— %	4 %
Reinsurance Solutions		465	396	17	1	5	_	11
Health Solutions		552	494	12	2	_		10
Wealth Solutions		352	326	8	3	_	1	4
Eliminations		(1)	(2)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total revenue	\$	2,953	\$ 2,696	10 %	2 %	2 %	— %	6 %

Total revenue increased \$257 million, or 10%, to \$2,953 million, compared to the prior year period, with organic revenue growth of 6%, driven by ongoing strong retention, management of the renewal book, and net new business generation, a 2% favorable impact from fiduciary investment income and a 2% favorable impact from foreign currency translation.

Commercial Risk Solutions organic revenue growth of 4% reflects solid growth across most major geographies driven by strong retention, management of the renewal book, and net new business generation. Growth in retail brokerage was highlighted by strong growth in EMEA and the Pacific, driven by continued strength in core P&C. The U.S. grew modestly driven by strength in the construction business and strong new business generation, partially offset by the impact of the external M&A and IPO markets. On average globally, exposures and pricing were positive, resulting in a modestly positive market impact.

Reinsurance Solutions organic revenue growth of 11% reflects strong growth in treaty, driven by strong retention and continued net new business generation, as well as strong growth in facultative placements and double-digit growth in Strategy and Technology Group. Market impact was modestly positive on results in the quarter. The majority of revenue in our treaty portfolio is recurring in nature and is recorded in connection with the major renewal periods that take place throughout the first half of the year, while the second half of the year is typically driven by facultative placements, capital markets activity and advisory work that is more transactional in nature.

Health Solutions organic revenue growth of 10% reflects strong growth globally in core health and benefits brokerage primarily from net new business generation and management of the renewal book. Strength in the core was highlighted by double-digit growth in almost all major geographies. Results also reflect double-digit growth in Consumer Benefit Solutions and strong growth in Talent, driven by data and advisory solutions.

Wealth Solutions organic revenue growth of 4% reflects strong growth in Retirement, driven by advisory demand and project-related work related to pension de-risking and ongoing impact of regulatory changes. Investments was flat as strong advisory demand and project-related work was offset by declines in the real estate portion of our portfolio driven by real estate market movements.

THIRD QUARTER 2023 EXPENSE REVIEW

	Three Months Ended September 30,						
(millions)		2023		2022	\$	Change	% Change
Expenses							
Compensation and benefits	\$	1,685	\$	1,532	\$	153	10 %
Information technology		135		133		2	2
Premises		74		71		3	4
Depreciation of fixed assets		42		37		5	14
Amortization and impairment of intangible assets		20		34		(14)	(41)
Other general expense		300		299		1	_
Accelerating Aon United Program expenses		6		_		6	100
Total operating expenses	\$	2,262	\$	2,106	\$	156	7 %

Compensation and benefits expense increased \$153 million, or 10%, compared to the prior year period due primarily to an increase in expense associated with 6% organic revenue growth and a \$37 million unfavorable impact from foreign currency translation.

Information technology expense increased \$2 million, or 2%, compared to the prior year period due primarily to ongoing investments in technology platforms, particularly client facing technology.

Premises expense increased \$3 million, or 4%, compared to the prior year period.

Depreciation of fixed assets increased \$5 million, or 14%, compared to the prior year period due primarily to recent investments in ABS-enabled technology platforms to drive long-term growth.

Amortization and impairment of intangible assets decreased \$14 million, or 41%, compared to the prior year period due primarily to a decrease associated with assets fully amortized in the prior year period and assets held for sale as part of ongoing portfolio management.

Other general expense had a net increase of \$1 million, or less than 1%, compared to the prior year period.

Accelerating Aon United Program expenses were \$6 million reflecting restructuring charges associated with the Program announced in the third quarter of 2023. The company expects to incur ~\$900 million in total cash charges and ~\$100 million of non-cash charges over a three-year period. The charges are expected to include technology-related costs for streamlining and simplifying operations, headcount reduction costs, and costs associated with asset impairments, including real estate consolidation costs.

THIRD OUARTER 2023 INCOME SUMMARY

Certain noteworthy items impacted adjusted operating income and adjusted operating margin in the third quarters of 2023 and 2022, which are also described in detail in "Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures - Operating Income, Operating Margin and Diluted Earnings Per Share" on page 10 of this press release.

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(millions)		2023		2022	% Change
Revenue	\$	2,953	\$	2,696	10 %
Expenses		2,262		2,106	7 %
Operating income	\$	691	\$	590	17 %
Operating margin		23.4 %	Ď	21.9 %	
Operating income - as adjusted	\$	717	\$	624	15 %
Operating margin - as adjusted		24.3 %	ò	23.1 %	<u>. </u>

Operating income increased \$101 million, or 17%, and operating margin increased 150 basis points to 23.4%, each compared to the prior year period. Operating income, adjusted for certain items detailed on page 10 of this press release, increased \$93 million, or 15%, and operating margin, adjusted for certain items, increased 120 basis points to 24.3%, each compared to the prior year period. The increase in operating income reflects organic revenue growth and increased fiduciary investment income, partially offset by increased expenses and investments in long-term growth.

Interest income increased \$2 million compared to the prior year period. **Interest expense** increased \$16 million to \$119 million compared to the prior year period, reflecting an overall increase in total debt and higher interest rates. **Other income (expense)** decreased \$37 million compared to the prior year period primarily due to the unfavorable impact of exchange rates on the remeasurement of assets and liabilities in non-functional currencies and an increase in non-cash net periodic pension cost.

Conference Call, Presentation Slides and Webcast Details

The Company will host a conference call on Friday, October 27, 2023 at 7:30 a.m., central time. Interested parties can listen to the conference call via a live audio webcast and view the presentation slides at www.aon.com.

About Aon

Aon plc (NYSE: AON) exists to shape decisions for the better — to protect and enrich the lives of people around the world. Our colleagues provide our clients in over 120 countries and sovereignties with advice and solutions that give them the clarity and confidence to make better decisions to protect and grow their business.

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Explanation of Non-GAAP Measures

This communication includes supplemental information not calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("U.S. GAAP"), including organic revenue growth, free cash flow, adjusted operating income, adjusted operating margin, adjusted earnings per share, adjusted net income attributable to Aon shareholders, adjusted diluted net income per share, adjusted effective tax rate, adjusted other income (expense) – pensions, adjusted other income (expense), and adjusted income before income taxes that exclude the effects of intangible asset amortization and impairment, pension settlements, Accelerating Aon United Program expenses, capital expenditures, and certain other noteworthy items that affected results for the comparable periods. Organic revenue growth includes the impact of intercompany activity and excludes foreign exchange rate changes, acquisitions, divestitures, transfers between revenue lines, fiduciary investment income, and gains or losses on derivatives accounted for as hedges. Currency impact represents the effect on prior year period results if they were translated at current period foreign exchange rates. Reconciliations to the closest U.S. GAAP measure for each non-GAAP measure presented in this communication are provided in the attached appendices. Supplemental organic revenue growth information and additional measures that exclude the effects of certain items noted above do not affect net income or any other U.S. GAAP reported amounts. Free cash flow is cash flows from operating activity less capital expenditures. The adjusted effective tax rate excludes the applicable tax impact associated with expenses for estimated intangible asset amortization and impairment, and certain other noteworthy items. Management believes that these measures are important to make meaningful period-to-period comparisons and that this supplemental information is helpful to investors. Management also uses these measures to assess operating performance and performance for compensation. Non-GAAP measures should be viewed in addition to, not in lieu of, Aon's Consolidated Financial Statements. Industry peers provide similar supplemental information regarding their performance, although they may not make identical adjustments.

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 $\label{eq:condensed} \textbf{\textit{Aon plc}}$ Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited)

	Т	hree Moi Septen					Nine Months Ended September 30,		
(millions, except per share data)		2023	2022	% Change	2	2023		2022	% Change
Revenue									
Total revenue	\$	2,953	\$ 2,696	10 %	\$ 1	0,001	\$	9,349	7 %
Expenses									
Compensation and benefits		1,685	1,532	10 %		5,231		4,938	6 %
Information technology		135	133	2 %		403		371	9 %
Premises		74	71	4 %		217		216	— %
Depreciation of fixed assets		42	37	14 %		119		115	3 %
Amortization and impairment of intangible assets		20	34	(41)%		70		87	(20)%
Other general expense		300	299	— %		949		965	(2)%
Accelerating Aon United Program expenses		6	_	100 %		6		_	100 %
Total operating expenses	'	2,262	2,106	7 %		6,995		6,692	5 %
Operating income		691	590	17 %		3,006		2,657	13 %
Interest income		9	7	29 %		19		15	27 %
Interest expense		(119)	(103)	16 %		(360)		(296)	22 %
Other income (expense)		(21)	16	(231)%		(105)		71	(248)%
Income before income taxes		560	510	10 %		2,560		2,447	5 %
Income tax expense (1)		93	92	1 %		439		467	(6)%
Net income		467	418	12 %		2,121		1,980	7 %
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		11	10	10 %		55		48	15 %
Net income attributable to Aon shareholders	\$	456	\$ 408	12 %	\$	2,066	\$	1,932	7 %
Basic net income per share attributable to Aon shareholders	\$	2.25	\$ 1.93	17 %	\$	10.10	\$	9.06	11 %
Diluted net income per share attributable to Aon shareholders	\$	2.23	\$ 1.92	16 %	\$	10.03	\$	9.00	11 %
Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding - basic		202.9	210.9	(4)%		204.6		213.2	(4)%
Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding - diluted		204.6	212.6	(4)%		206.0		214.6	(4)%

⁽¹⁾ The effective tax rate was 16.6% and 18.0% for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, and 17.1% and 19.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

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Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures - Organic Revenue Growth and Free Cash Flow (Unaudited)

Organic Revenue Growth (Unaudited)

Three Months Ended September 30,

(millions)	2023	2022	% Change	Less: Currency Impact (1)	Less: Fiduciary Investment Income ⁽²⁾	Less: Acquisitions, Divestitures & Other	Organic Revenue Growth (3)
Revenue							
Commercial Risk Solutions	\$ 1,585	\$ 1,482	7 %	1 %	2 %	— %	4 %
Reinsurance Solutions	465	396	17	1	5	_	11
Health Solutions	552	494	12	2	_	_	10
Wealth Solutions	352	326	8	3	_	1	4
Elimination	(1)	(2)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total revenue	\$ 2,953	\$ 2,696	10 %	2 %	2 %	— %	6 %

Nine Months Ended September 30,

(millions)	2023	2022	% Change	Less: Currency Impact (1)	Less: Fiduciary Investment Income ⁽²⁾	Less: Acquisitions, Divestitures & Other	Organic Revenue Growth (3)
Revenue							
Commercial Risk Solutions	\$ 5,137	\$ 4,893	5 %	(1)%	2 %	(1)%	5 %
Reinsurance Solutions	2,149	1,909	13	(1)	3	2	9
Health Solutions	1,670	1,546	8	(1)		_	9
Wealth Solutions	1,054	1,014	4	_	_	_	4
Elimination	(9)	(13)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total revenue	\$ 10,001	\$ 9,349	7 %	(1)%	2 %	(1)%	7 %

- (1) Currency impact represents the effect on prior year period results if they were translated at current period foreign exchange rates.
- (2) Fiduciary investment income for the three months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 was \$80 million and \$26 million, respectively. Fiduciary investment income for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 was \$196 million and \$35 million, respectively.
- (3) Organic revenue growth includes the impact of certain intercompany activity and excludes the impact of changes in foreign exchange rates, fiduciary investment income, acquisitions, divestitures, transfers between revenue lines, and gains or losses on derivatives accounted for as hedges.

Free Cash Flows (Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,						
(millions)	<u> </u>	2023		2022	% Change		
Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$	2,174	\$	2,177	— %		
Capital Expenditures		(203)		(126)	61 %		
Free Cash Flows (1)	\$	1,971	\$	2,051	(4)%		

⁽¹⁾ Free cash flow is defined as cash flows from operations less capital expenditures. This non-GAAP measure does not imply or represent a precise calculation of residual cash flow available for discretionary expenditures.

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Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures - Operating Income, Operating Margin, and Diluted Earnings Per Share (Unaudited) (1)

		onths Ended mber 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,			
(millions, except percentages)	2023	2022	% Change	2023	2022	% Change	
Revenue	\$2,953	\$2,696	10 %	\$10,001	\$9,349	7 %	
Operating income	\$ 691	\$ 590	17 %	\$3,006	\$2,657	13 %	
Amortization and impairment of intangible assets	20	34		70	87		
Accelerating Aon United Program expenses (2)	6	_		6	_		
Legal settlements (3)	_	_		_	58		
Operating income - as adjusted	\$ 717	\$ 624	15 %	\$3,082	\$2,802	10 %	
Operating margin	23.4 %	21.9 %		30.1 %	28.4 %		
Operating margin - as adjusted	24.3 %	23.1 %		30.8 %	30.0 %		

	Three Mor Septem	nths Ended aber 30,			nths Ended nber 30,	
(millions, except percentages)	2023	2022	% Change	2023	2022	% Change
Operating income - as adjusted	\$ 717	\$ 624	15 %	\$3,082	\$2,802	10 %
Interest income	9	7	29 %	19	15	27 %
Interest expense	(119)	(103)	16 %	(360)	(296)	22 %
Other income (expense):						
Other income (expense) - pensions - as adjusted (4)	(18)	(3)	500 %	(51)	(9)	467 %
Other income (expense) - other	(3)	19	(116)%	(27)	80	(134)%
Other income (expense) - as adjusted (4)	(21)	16	(231)%	(78)	71	(210)%
Income before income taxes - as adjusted	586	544	8 %	2,663	2,592	3 %
Income tax expense (5)	101	104	(3)%	494	504	(2)%
Net income - as adjusted	485	440	10 %	2,169	2,088	4 %
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	11	10	10 %	55	48	15 %
Net income attributable to Aon shareholders - as adjusted	\$ 474	\$ 430	10 %	\$2,114	\$2,040	4 %
Diluted net income per share attributable to Aon shareholders - as adjusted	\$ 2.32	\$ 2.02	15 %	\$10.26	\$ 9.51	8 %
Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding - diluted	204.6	212.6	(4)%	206.0	214.6	(4)%
Effective Tax Rates (5)			_		_	
U.S. GAAP	16.6 %	18.0 %		17.1 %	19.1 %	
Non-GAAP	17.2 %	19.1 %		18.6 %	19.4 %	

⁽¹⁾ Certain noteworthy items impacting operating income in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2023 and 2022 are described in this schedule. The items shown with the caption "as adjusted" are non-GAAP measures.

⁽²⁾ In the third quarter of 2023, Aon initiated the Accelerating Aon United Program. Total charges are expected to include technology-related costs to facilitate streamlining and simplifying operations, headcount reduction costs, and costs associated with asset impairments, including real estate consolidation costs.

⁽³⁾ In connection with certain legal settlements reached, a \$58 million charge was recognized in the second quarter of 2022.

⁽⁴⁾ To further its pension de-risking strategy, the Company settled certain pension obligations in the Netherlands through the purchase of annuities, where certain pension assets were liquidated to purchase the annuities. A non-cash settlement charge totaling \$27 million was recognized in the second quarter of 2023 which is excluded from Other income (expense) - as adjusted.

⁽⁵⁾ Adjusted items are generally taxed at the estimated annual effective tax rate, except for the applicable tax impact associated with the anticipated sale of certain assets and liabilities classified as held for sale, certain pension and legal settlements, and Accelerating Aon United Program expenses, which are adjusted at the related jurisdictional rate.

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

		As of					
	(U	naudited)					
(millions)	Sep	tember 30, 2023	Decemb 202				
Assets							
Current assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	808	\$	690			
Short-term investments		175		45			
Receivables, net		3,300		3,03			
Fiduciary assets (1)		15,965		15,90			
Other current assets		877		64			
Total current assets		21,125		20,723			
Goodwill		8,245		8,292			
Intangible assets, net		252		44			
Fixed assets, net		652		558			
Operating lease right-of-use assets		646		69			
Deferred tax assets		1,022		824			
Prepaid pension		673		65			
Other non-current assets		497		509			
Total assets	\$		\$	32,70			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Short-term debt and current portion of long-term debt Fiduciary liabilities Other current liabilities Total current liabilities Long-term debt Non-current operating lease liabilities	\$	1,749 1,282 15,965 1,726 20,722 9,969 640	\$	2,114 94 15,90 1,34 20,30 9,82 69			
Deferred tax liabilities		117		99			
Pension, other postretirement, and postemployment liabilities		1,146		1,18			
Other non-current liabilities		1,004		1,02			
Total liabilities		33,598		33,13			
Equity (deficit)							
Ordinary shares - \$0.01 nominal value		2					
Additional paid-in capital		7,015		6,86			
Accumulated deficit		(3,024)		(2,77			
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(4,579)		(4,62			
Total Aon shareholders' deficit		(586)		(529			
Noncontrolling interests		100		10			
Total deficit		(486)		(42			
Total liabilities and equity	\$	33,112	\$	32,70			

⁽¹⁾ Includes cash and short-term investments of \$7,230 million and \$6,386 million as of September 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively.

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30					
(millions)		2023	2022			
Cash flows from operating activities						
Net income	\$	2,121 \$	1,980			
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operating activities:						
Gain from sales of businesses			(53)			
Depreciation of fixed assets		119	115			
Amortization and impairment of intangible assets		70	87			
Share-based compensation expense		321	304			
Deferred income taxes		(232)	(87)			
Other, net		28	1			
Change in assets and liabilities:						
Receivables, net		(290)	(146)			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		(357)	(255)			
Current income taxes		58	136			
Pension, other postretirement and postemployment liabilities		3	(45)			
Other assets and liabilities		333	140			
Cash provided by operating activities		2,174	2,177			
Cash flows from investing activities		<u> </u>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Proceeds from investments		59	71			
Purchases of investments		(61)	(95)			
Net sales of short-term investments - non fiduciary		274	15			
Acquisition of businesses, net of cash and funds held on behalf of clients		(18)	(154)			
Sale of businesses, net of cash and funds held on behalf of clients		1	80			
Capital expenditures		(203)	(126)			
Cash provided by (used for) investing activities		52	(209)			
Cash flows from financing activities						
Share repurchase		(1,950)	(2,528)			
Proceeds from issuance of shares		63	49			
Cash paid for employee taxes on withholding shares		(232)	(205)			
Commercial paper issuances, net of repayments		(274)	(425)			
Issuance of debt		744	1,967			
Increase in fiduciary liabilities, net of fiduciary receivables		870	1,200			
Cash dividends to shareholders		(366)	(347)			
Noncontrolling interests and other financing activities		(56)	(50)			
Cash used for financing activities		(1,201)	(339)			
Effect of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents and funds held on behalf of clients		(57)	(1,079)			
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents and funds held on behalf of clients		968	550			
Cash, cash equivalents and funds held on behalf of clients at beginning of period		7,076	6,645			
Cash, cash equivalents and funds held on behalf of clients at end of period	\$	8,044 \$	7,195			
Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents and funds held on behalf of clients:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	808 \$	692			
Cash and cash equivalents classified as held for sale		6				
Funds held on behalf of clients		7,230	6,503			
Total cash and cash equivalents and funds held on behalf of clients	\$	8,044 \$	7,195			