

## **Proposed dividend and record date**

(Item 9 b and 9 c on the agenda)

The Board of Directors proposes that the Annual General Meeting approve a dividend of SEK 9.50 per share (9.50). The proposed record date for dividends is Monday, March 26, 2018. If the Annual General Meeting votes in accordance with this motion, dividends are expected to be paid out through Euroclear commencing Thursday, March 29, 2018.

### **Board of Directors' statement in accordance with Chapter 18, Section 4 of the Swedish Companies Act (2005:551)**

After the proposed dividend, the Parent Company's equity ratio will amount to 71 percent and the Group's equity ratio to 51 percent. These equity ratios are adequate given that the company and the Group continue to conduct profitable operations. The liquidity of the Group and the company is expected to remain adequate.

In the opinion of the Board of Directors, the proposed dividend will not prevent the Parent Company or the other Group companies from fulfilling their capital expenditures in the short or long term. Accordingly, the proposed dividend can, in the Board's opinion, be justified with respect to the nature, scope and risks of the operations and in accordance with the provisions in Chapter 17, Section 3, Paragraphs 2-3 of the Swedish Companies Act (the "prudence rule").