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13th May 2009

Mr. Peter Mwangi,
Chief Executive,
Nairobi Stock Exchange,
1st Floor, Nation Centre,
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NAIROBI.

Dear Sir,

RE: AUDITED RESULTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

The Chairman and Board of Directors of Centum Investment Company Limited are pleased to present the audited financial results for the financial year ended March 31, 2009.

Consolidated Income Statement for the Year Ended 31 March 2009

<i>Kshs. '000</i>	Mar 09	Mar 08
Investment Income	391,586	581,514
Expenses	(136,242)	(121,268)
Diminution of Value of Investment	(271,239)	(54)
Share of Associate Company Profits	491,548	525,088
Profit before Taxation	475,653	985,280
Profit after Taxation	313,180	868,320
Earnings Per Share (Kshs)	0.57	1.58

Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2009

<i>Kshs. '000</i>	Mar 09	Mar 08
Investment Portfolio	6,443,203	7,613,255
Other noncurrent assets	17,224	302,128
Current Assets	109,512	230,467
Total Assets	6,569,939	8,145,850
Shareholder Funds	6,316,033	8,078,129
Current Liabilities	253,906	67,721
Total Capital & Liabilities	6,569,939	8,145,850

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended 31 March 2009

<i>Kshs. '000</i>	Mar 09	Mar 08
Share Capital	274,976	274,976
Share Premium	589,753	589,753
Fair value Reserve	1,871,941	3,699,739
Revenue Reserve	3,579,363	3,513,661
Shareholder Funds	6,316,033	8,078,129

Consolidated Cashflow for the Year Ended 31 March 2009

<i>Kshs. '000</i>	Mar 09	Mar 08
Cash and cash equivalents - opening	127,755	137,196
Net Cash generated from operating activities	349,952	114,374
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities	(422,078)	126,728
Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities	(215,479)	(250,543)
Cash and cash equivalents - closing	(159,850)	127,755
Available facilities	340,150	500,000

Review of Performance

Centum Investment Company Limited recorded a profit before tax of KShs. 475 million compared to KShs. 985 million for the year ended 31 March 2008. This translated to a profit after tax of KShs. 313 million compared to KShs. 868 million reported in the year ended 31 March 2008.

The Group's investment income declined by 33% to KShs. 392 million in 2009 compared to KShs. 582 million in 2008. This performance was reflective of the depressed market environment that limited activity on the stock market assets. On the positive end there was growth in the more sustainable dividend income stream.

In line with the requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), we made an 84% provision for our investment in Rift Valley Railways Investment (Pty) Limited (RVRI) leading to a charge of KShs. 271 million against the profits of the company. This also contributed to the overall decline in the company's profitability.

The Group's asset base declined by 20% from KShs. 8.1 billion in March 2008 to KShs. 6.6 billion in March 2009. During the same period, the NSE Index (adjusted for dividend yield) declined by 40%.

Outlook for the Current Financial Year

The company looks to the future with optimism. We have embarked on an ambitious strategy that will see the company upscale its investment activity, expand its geographical footprint and reorganize its operations to achieve a better focus on specific business lines.

We believe that the current market conditions have created excellent investment opportunities for long term investors. We will therefore employ our relatively unleveraged balance sheet and strong cash flow position to make investments in private equity, listed equity and real estate. We will also take advantage of the current market conditions to expand our footprint to the rest of Africa.

Dividends

To take advantage of the current attractive investment environment, directors do not recommend payment of a dividend for the financial year ended March 31, 2009.

By Order of the Board



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Company Secretary

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