1. Statement of Compliance with Corporate Governance Principles

Halkbank has implemented, since its initial public offering in May 2007, the principles set out in the "Corporate Governance Principles" published by the Capital Markets Board of Turkey. Halkbank achieved compliance with the regulations stipulated in the Turkish Commercial Code regarding Corporate Governance. Furthermore, the Bank significantly implements all policies and precautions and progressively continues its activities in this field.

The Bank is subject to the provisions of the corporate governance structures, processes and principles set forth in the "Regulation on Corporate Governance Principles for Banks" published by the Banking Regulation and Supervision Agency of Turkey (BRSA).

Since 2011, Halkbank has been provided with rating services on the issue of Compliance with Corporate Governance by SAHA Corporate Yönetim ve Kredi Derecelendirme Hizmetleri A.Ş. (SAHA Corporate Governance and Credit Rating Services Inc. – authorized by the CMB). Concurrently, the Bank has been included in the top ranked stocks of BIST Corporate Governance Index. While the rating grade of the Bank was 8.72 over 10 in 2013, the Bank managed to improve its rating grade up to 9.19 in 2014.

PART I - SHAREHOLDERS

2. Shareholder Relations Unit

Some 24.98% of the Bank's outstanding shares began to be traded on the Borsa Istanbul as of May 10, 2007. Since that date, the Bank has been carrying out its activities in accordance with the provisions of the Corporate Governance Principles published by the Capital Markets Board. Halkbank's free-float ratio rose to 48.90% following the secondary public offering in November 2012.

As announced via Public Disclosure Platform within the scope of the 11th Article of the Corporate Governance Communiqué and as per the provision stipulating that the Director of the Investor Relations Department must have a Level 3 Capital Market Activities License and Corporate Governance Rating License, and must be a full-time working director within the Corporation and must be appointed as a member of the Corporate Governance Committee; As part of this effort, the shareholder relations function of the Bank is executed by the Financial Institutions and Investor Relations Department and the Financial Accounting and Reporting Department as a Head Office function. The Investor Relations Unit which is formed from the Financial Institutions and Investor Relations Department, is responsible for establishing institutional relations with domestic and foreign investors that invest in equities. The other unit responsible for conducting relations with shareholders is the Shareholders Unit that is organized under the Financial Accounting and Reporting Department. Both departments are represented in the Corporate Governance Committee and report all information regarding their activities to this committee. The Bank conducts shareholder relations with a very active organization. Mr. Mehmet Hakan ATILLA is the Assistant General Manager in charge of the Investor Relations Unit and Mr. Yusuf Duran OCAK is the Head of the Department that controls the Shareholders Unit while both are Bank's Corporate Governance Committee Members and Investor Relations Department Directors.

As the Investor Relations Unit continued its efficient communication efforts throughout 2014, participation was achieved in two international promotional organizations (roadshows) and 13 international one-on-one meeting organizations in and outside the country. Some 1,388 investors-analysts were contacted – 299 at the international organizations, 369 at the Bank headquarters, 419 via teleconference and 301 by electronic mail or phone – and 6,649 questions were answered. The questions were mainly about the Bank's financial structure, profitability/productivity situation, sectoral position, growth strategies, administrative structure, future expectations and about the country's economic and political structure.

In 2014, approximately 250 information requests – some of which were sent in writing to the Shareholders Unit under the structure of the Financial Accounting and Reporting Department, and some of which were sent via Halkbank Dialog and electronic mail – were answered. On average, 10 shareholders per day are given information on the phone.

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Financial Accounting and Reporting Department:

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Zafer ERDEM	Senior Specialist	Zafer.ERDEM@halkbank.com.tr	+90 3122893021
Arda EDIRNE	Specialist	Arda.EDIRNE@halkbank.com.tr	+90 3122893041
Sevil Didem GÜVEN	Specialist	SevilDidem.GUVEN@halkbank.com.tr	+90 3122893027

Primary Activities of the Department:

- Facilitating the exercise of shareholder rights and conducting the relationships between the Board of Directors and the shareholders.
- Maintaining and updating shareholder records,
- Responding to written requests from shareholders,
- Carrying out the Bank's capital increase-related tasks,
- Fulfilling the legal and regulatory requirements regarding the General Assembly meetings,
- Publishing the material event disclosures,
- Preparing annual and interim reports.

Financial Institutions and Investor Relations Department:

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Lena ÇİTELİ	Division Manager	Lena.CITELI@halkbank.com.tr	+90 2165035902
Aslı ERBAY	Specialist	Asli.ERBAY@halkbank.com.tr	+90 2165035910

Primary Activities of the Department:

- Contributing to the positive evaluations about the Bank by organizing meetings in and outside the country with investors and analysts,
- Instructing the related units to make the necessary updates (in English and Turkish) at the Bank's website on the Investor Relations page, and announcing the developments about the Bank,
- Releasing information to investors and analysts about the Bank's quarterly financial results, preparing presentations and documents about the financial results, and having these posted on the website,
- Keeping track of the developments regarding the banking industry and performances of the competitor banks, and informing the top management.
- Closely monitoring the stock performance of the Bank, and informing the top management,
- Keeping track of the daily news on the media about the banking sector, global markets, economic developments, competitor banks and Halkbank,
- Answering the questions coming from the investors and analysts, and classifying the correspondence,
- · Organizing teleconference or one-on-one meetings with the investors and analysts,
- Participating to nationwide and foreign roadshows.

3. Exercise of Shareholders' Right to Obtain Information

In order to facilitate the exercise of shareholders' right to obtain information effectively, all changes that may impact the financial and organizational structure of the Bank are announced on the Bank's web site and on the Public Disclosure Platform. In addition, requests for information communicated to the Bank's units via telephone, mail or e-mail are responded to as soon as possible.

Questions received by phone or e-mail about the General Assembly Meetings, capital increases, dividend payments are answered. Furthermore, written answers are given to the shareholders and other third parties who make information requests such as annual report request and etc. The Investor Relations Unit promptly answers the questions received by phone or e-mail from the existing and/or potential investors, bank analysts and rating companies. Furthermore, the unit answers the questions regarding the Bank's administrative and financial structure by organizing one-on-one and/or group meetings.

Bank's website, set up both in Turkish and English (www.halkbank.com.tr), is updated regularly. The corporate profile, Corporate Governance, financial information and annual reports, media announcements, and information regarding the sustainability, and the products and applications that create value in the economy are given on the website.

The Bank's Articles of Associations do not provide for the appointment of special auditors as an individual right; no requests were received to date for the appointment of special auditors.

4. General Assembly Meetings

An Ordinary General Assembly Meeting was held during the fiscal year on March 31, 2014 with a participation rate of 73.23% of the Bank's share capital. The announcements for the meeting were published, 3 weeks earlier according to Capital Market Law No. 6362, in the Trade Registry Gazette of Turkey, two national newspapers, Public Disclosure Platform, the Central Registry Agency (CRA) EGKS and the Bank's web site. The meeting announcements were made in accordance with the provisions of the Laws and the Articles of Association.

The Bank's annual report and informational documents were made available to the shareholders prior to the General Assembly for their information and review. Background information on the members of the Board of Directors was disclosed via the Bank's website after the meeting. In addition, as per the Corporate Governance Communiqué that recently took effect, information on candidates for seats on the Board of Directors could not announce to the shareholders prior to the General Assembly meeting. Besides; information regarding all Members of the Board of Directors was given on the Bank's website after the General Assembly.

Shareholders exercised their right to ask questions during the General Assembly meetings and the Bank's management team responded to these questions. There is no provision in the Articles of Association stipulating that the General Assembly Meetings should be open to public including the stakeholders and media but without giving them right to speak in order to prevent any delays and to finish the meeting on time. Shareholders didn't submit a written agenda item proposal.

Information regarding the charitable contributions and donations made during the year and their beneficiaries was included as a separate agenda item at the General Assembly meeting and it was presented to the General Assembly.

The minutes of the General Assembly Meetings are made available to the shareholders on the Bank's web site and at the Shareholders Unit. In addition, the minutes of the Ordinary General Assembly Meeting of the Bank, that was held on March 31, 2014 have been published on the Bank's web site and the Public Disclosure Platform, the Central Registry Agency (CRA) EGKS and the Bank's web site.

5. Voting Rights and Minority Rights

There are no privileged shares in the shares of the Bank. The Bank does not have any cross-shareholding relationship with any company that has voting rights in the General Assembly. Minority shares are not represented in the Bank's management. There is no provision in the Articles of Association stipulating that the shareholders who own a portion less than one twentieth of the capital should be given minority rights.

6. Dividend Right

The procedures and principles governing the Bank's profit distribution are stipulated in Article 35 of the Bank's Articles of Association. The Bank's profit distribution policy is announced to the public on the Bank's web site. In previous years, the portion of the distributable profit remaining after setting aside legal reserves has been paid to the shareholders as dividend. After the profit distribution policy is determined by the Bank's Board of Directors, it is presented to the General Assembly for approval and dividend is distributed to the shareholders within the timelines set out in the regulations. A dividend was paid to the Bank's shareholders pursuant to a resolution passed in the Ordinary General Assembly Meeting held on March 31, 2014. The Bank's profit distribution policy for the period ahead will be determined in light of Halkbank's equity position and the economic developments. There is no privilege in participating of the Bank's profit.

7. Transfer of Shares

The Bank's Articles of Association do not contain any restrictions regarding the transfer of shares.

PART II - PUBLIC DISCLOSURE AND TRANSPARENCY

8. Disclosure Policy

Pursuant to the "Communiqué on the Principles of Material Event Disclosures" published by the Capital Markets Board of Turkey, the Bank's Disclosure Policy, which was prepared for the purpose of disseminating information to the public within the framework of the Corporate Governance Principles, was drawn up in accordance with the legislation provisions. Within this scope, The Bank's Disclosure Policy is carried out by the following units.

Name	Position	Unit
Yusuf Duran OCAK	Head of Department	Department of Financial Accounting and Reporting
Elvan ÖZTABAK	Head of Department	Department of Financial Institutions and Investor Relations
Yalçın KAYA	Head of Department	Department of Publicity and Public Relations

Halkbank's Information Disclosure Policy, which sets out and defines four principal methods through which all stakeholders including shareholders, potential investors and the public at large are assured of having timely, accurate and complete information about the Bank, has been posted on the Bank's website.

Since the disclosure to be made by the Bank has the potential significance to impact the decision-making process of investors, it is essential for Halkbank that such disclosure reflects the latest, transparent, objective and accurate information. As part of this policy, the independently-audited quarterly financial statements and financial results presentations are announced through press releases as well as in the Investor Relations/Financial Information section of the Bank's web site. Following the earnings announcements, Halkbank holds conference calls to discuss its quarterly financial performance, to provide guidance for its future performance and to inform stakeholders about the realization of the targets and expectations stipulated during the past periods.

9. The Bank's Internet Site and Its Contents

Bank's web address, www.halkbank.com.tr is structured in conformity with the CMB Corporate Governance Principles' "Public Disclosure and Transparency" Section 2.1. Corporate Website provision. Trade Registry information, shareholders' and management structure, the Articles of Association, disclosure of material matters, Annual and interim reports, financial reports, General Assembly meeting agenda, attendance list and meeting minutes, power of attorney, and the Bank's policies and code of ethics are available on this website. Furthermore, a webpage is also available in English for international investors.

10. Annual Report

Halkbank's Annual Report is generated in accordance with the Corporate Governance Principles and disclosed to the public.

PART III - STAKEHOLDERS

11. Informing the Stakeholders

All information that may have an impact on the Bank's financial and organizational structure is published on the Public Disclosure Platform and on the Bank's web site. In addition, in response to individual requests, questions about the Bank are answered through face-to-face meetings, road shows, in-person meeting organizations, phone calls, teleconferences and e-mails. All stakeholders can refer to the related sections of the Public Disclosure Platform or the Bank's web site or other means of communication to reach this information.

Employees are informed about the Bank's activities when deemed necessary using intra-company channels of communication. (i.e. electronic announcements, magazine, website). In addition, meetings are held to assess the Bank's targets and strategies for managers and employees on a periodic basis. Stakeholders can refer the Bank's activities that are in breach of related laws or regulations or rules of ethics to the Corporate Governance Committee and the Audit Committee through intra-company as well as other channels of communication.

12. Stakeholders' Participation in Management

Stakeholders' rights to participate in the Bank's management are safeguarded within the framework of the related laws, regulations and the Articles of Association. The Bank's operating principles and relationships with customers are carried out in accordance with the defined principles of ethics.

Problems, requests, opinions, suggestions and complaints about products and services delivered to customers are communicated to the Bank via phone, fax, mail, branch, and e-mail channels as well as through the Head Office units and official bodies. Using certain procedures, requests, opinions, suggestions and complaints communicated to the Bank are processed, evaluated and as a result feedback is provided as soon as possible.

Halkbank strives to deliver all banking services effectively and efficiently to continuously create value-added for its customers, shareholders and employees. As part of this effort, the Bank has developed a Quality Recommendation System for the purpose of improving the business processes and delivering more efficient and higher quality services. Employees are also encouraged to participate in management within the scope of this system. Employees submit their suggestions through this system and the suggestions that conform to the evaluation criteria are implemented.

13. Human Resources Policy

Halkbank's Human Resources Policy is carried out based on the following core principles:

- Valuing and respecting the personality of the employees, ensuring the safeguarding of their material and non-material rights.
- · Providing a safe working environment appropriate for the nature of the work being performed,
- Providing a working environment and opportunities to establish social relations that will increase employee's desire and capacity to work,
- Providing employees with fair and equal work, training and development opportunities commensurate with their talents,
- Informing employees promptly on the issues that are of interest to them and being open to communication in order to allow personnel to convey their opinions and ideas to the management easily,
- Ensuring that employees work with a commitment to the principles of productivity and profitability and in a costconscious manner,
- · Encouraging employees to think creatively and to produce original ideas that will improve the Bank's services,
- In an effort to maintain and further develop the Bank's corporate culture and identity, embracing the principle of filling job assignments internally whenever possible, giving priority to assigning employees from within the Bank to vacant positions, and promoting the employees based on their skills, accomplishments, education and tenure,
- Evaluating employees fairly in accordance with objective criteria.

There are two trade unions in the Bank whose membership consists of employees. However, neither of these unions has reached the necessary number of members within the Bank to qualify for collective bargaining rights. The unions have representatives assigned to carry out relations with personnel.

No complaints were received from personnel regarding discrimination. Job descriptions and work distribution of personnel; as the performance evaluation and merit system are announced to employees and maintained in a portal that is accessible by personnel.

14. Code of Ethics and Social Responsibility

The code of ethics consists of the principles and the regulations that Türkiye Halk Bankası A.Ş. employees need to follow when performing their duties. These principles aim at preventing any disputes or conflicts of interest that may arise between employees, clients and the Bank. Attitudes and behavior in violation of these rules are evaluated in accordance with the Discipline Regulation. Halkbank expects its employees to use common sense and the rules of goodwill with regard to the issues and circumstances that fall outside the scope of these rules.

In line with the principles of business ethics, Halkbank employees are expected to act as follows:

- Demonstrate a self-respecting, honorable and honest demeanor in all business relations.
- Avoid all kinds of behavior and attitudes that may damage Halkbank's reputation during the course of performing their duties
- They should have respect for society and environment at work and in their life outside the work.
- · Thoroughly know and adhere to the laws, regulations, rules and legislation with regard to their duties.
- Under no circumstances disclose insider information to parties other than those who need to have such information.
- Study, adhere to and be well-informed about the instructions, regulations, procedures and rules that may be made with regard to organizing the working order and maintaining professional discipline.
- Inform managers or the Human Resources Department of any known or suspected breach of rules before taking any
 personal precautions.
- Always avoid expressing political, social or religious views in the workplace.
- Always dress in a plain and stylish manner that fits the work environment and strictly avoid casual clothes and evening
 dresses that would conflict with a serious corporate environment.
- Avoid acting in such a manner as to violate the rules on the equality of sexes, respect, public morality, and generally
 accepted ethical behavior.
- The Bank has a "Code of Ethics" attached to the Human Resources Regulation. More detailed explanations are given under each main principle heading.

Ethical principles were publicly announced on the Bank's website.

Halkbank's Projects - carried out throughout the year - that are considered as social responsibility regarding their scope are listed below.

Being the leading supporters of SMEs and the real sector throughout its 76 year history, Halkbank continued to provide support to both entrepreneurial and industrial enterprises which will carve out a presence in global markets and contribute to the Turkish economy and employment. In addition to its various activities to generate solutions to meet the financial and non-financial needs of SMEs, with a special focus on women and young entrepreneurs, the Bank also sponsored various social responsibility initiatives in education, culture and other such areas.

The corporate social responsibility projects the Bank undertook during the year include:

Main sponsor of the Ankara International Film Festival for the fifth time,

Main sponsor of the Ankara "Accessible" Films Festival for the second time,

Sponsor of the 9th International Dadas Film Festival,

Sponsorship of the traditional Ahi Week celebrations,

Main sponsorship, for the third time, of the SME and Entrepreneurship Awards,

Sponsor of the Coronation Gifts Exhibition of Sultan II. Abdülhamid,

Sponsor of the Merter 2014-International Merter Fashion Event,

Sponsor of the Atatürk University Foundation Junior High School construction.

Halkbank sponsorships within the scope of the Applied Entrepreneurship Training program carried out within the framework of the protocol signed with "Small and Medium Industry Development Organization" (KOSGEB), in 2014. Halkbank's main sponsorship for the "Turn Your Ideas into Reality – Business Ideas Competition" for the second time (initially organized in collaboration with Gazi University in 2013).

Yunus Emre Institute's "Revival of the Traditional Turkish Handicrafts in the Balkans" Project was carried out in collaboration with the Bank while the documentary film, the publicity film, and the project album were all sponsored by the Bank.

The "Workplace Ready for Disaster" campaign organized by "Republic of Turkey Prime Ministry Disaster and Emergency Management Department" within the scope of "Turkey Ready for Disaster Project" was carried out for one year with the support of Halkbank.

In order to draw attention to the issue of energy efficiency, the Bank made an Energy Efficiency Check-Up Protocol with SMEs in Kocaeli and Erzurum. With the support given by the Bank, SMEs are trained and informed about energy efficiency and are given consultancy services within the scope of the collaborative projects carried out by the universities and the Chambers of Commerce and Industry. Free consultancy programs are organized and energy efficiency check-ups are made for SMEs.

Halkbank continued to serve its SME website (www.halkbankkobi.com.tr) in order to provide premium service, comprehensive informational resources and other support to SMEs, and bring them together on a single platform. Providing assistance to all SMEs, whether a Bank customer or not, this platform offers complimentary advisory services to small and medium enterprises on a wide variety of subjects, from foreign trade and financial management to tax and legal issues. The training modules designed specifically for SMEs and created to support the personal and professional development of small enterprise owners contribute to the improved performance and service quality of businesses. All applications of the "Halkbank SME Academy," which offers equal opportunity in training to all small and medium enterprises, are provided free of charge. Free English courses are provided for exporter SMEs in order to help them find new markets abroad and communicate easily with foreign firms as they improve their English.

Halkbank undertook the Accessible Bank24 project to allow customers with disabilities to carry out their banking transactions conveniently on their own. People with physical disabilities can conduct all ATM transactions using Bank24s. Visually-impaired individuals can perform cash withdrawal or balance inquiry transactions via headphones utilizing the text-to-speech technology. Optionally, the customer may select to mask the account information on the ATM screen.

Our Accessible Bank24 ATMs serve visually-impaired customers at 123 locations and customers with physical disabilities at 21 service points throughout the country, At 66 locations 210 ATMs in total for both visually or physically impaired customers whether they are Halkbank customers or not.

PART IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

15. Structure and Composition of the Board of Directors

Name	Position	Commencement Date of Term	Date of Becoming Independent Member	Ending Date	Committee Assignment
Hasan CEBECİ	Chairman	March 28, 2003		Continuing	
Süleyman KALKAN	Vice Chairman Independent Board Member	April 1, 2013	April 01, 2014	Continuing	Audit Committee
Ali Fuat TAŞKESENLİOĞLU	Board Member and General Manager	February 7, 2014		Continuing	Credit Committee Asset/ Liability Committee
Emin Süha ÇAYKÖYLÜ	Board Member	March 28, 2003		Continuing	
Dr. Nurzahit KESKİN	Board Member	April 13, 2005		Continuing	Compensation Committee, Corporate Governance Committee
Yunus KARAN	Board Member	April 01, 2014		Continuing	Corporate Governance Committee
Dr. Ahmet YARIZ	Board Member	April 9, 2008		Continuing	Credit Committee
Sadık TILTAK	Independent Board Member	April 01, 2014	April 01, 2014	Continuing	Audit Committee, Corporate Governance Committee
İsmail Erol İŞBİLEN	Independent Board Member	April 1, 2013	April 18, 2013	Continuing	Credit Committee, Compensation Committee
Ali ARSLAN	Member of the Supervisory Board	April 18, 2012		Continuing	
Faruk ÖZÇELİK	Member of the Supervisory Board	May 24, 2010		Continuing	

^{*} The commencement date is the date on which the Members were first elected.

The Members of the Board of Directors are elected for three-year terms and their terms of office have not yet expired. The Members of the Board of Directors are authorized to enter into transactions in accordance with the provisions of the related articles of the Turkish Commercial Code. The backgrounds of the Members of the Board of Directors are presented in the Bank's annual report as well as on the Bank's web site and announced to the public.

All Members of the Bank's Board of Directors possess the minimum qualifications required for Members of the Board of Directors as stipulated in the Capital Markets Board's Corporate Governance Principles.

There are no female members in the Board of Directors. There is no policy specifying a target ratio - that must be no less than twenty five percent - and time for female members to be in the Board of Directors. However, our Bank does not have any regulation that prevents our shareholders from electing a female member to the Board of Directors.

Whether the Members of the Board of Directors are permitted to hold positions outside of the Bank are determined in accordance with the Banking Law as well as the Regulations and Board Resolutions of the Banking Regulation and Supervision Agency of Turkey.

The Members of the Board of Directors can hold positions in representation of the Bank at the subsidiaries that the Bank has the right to be represented.

16. Operating Principles of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors convenes at the request of the Chairman of the Board of Directors or the Vice Chairman or a Board member. The Board is obliged to convene at least once a month. The agenda of the Board of Directors is set by the Chairman or Vice Chairman calling the meeting at least 24 hours before the meeting and it is delivered to the Members along with the meeting invitation by hand or by the Board of Directors Secretariat Services Department.

Since the Bank's Head Office has locations in both Ankara and Istanbul, the Bank has the technology infrastructure that allows members to attend the Board of Directors meetings remotely. The Board of Directors Secretariat Services Department enters the Board Decisions into the decision book. All discussions and briefings that take place during the meetings are recorded and kept by the Board of Directors Secretariat Services Department.

Neither the Articles of Association of the Bank nor the Regulation on Management Bodies gives any majority voting rights nor affirmative/negative veto rights to any Member of the Board of Directors.

During 2014, 53 Board of Directors meetings were held.

The authorities and the responsibilities of the members of the Board of Directors are primarily set out in the Bank's Articles of Association and also in the "Regulation on Management Bodies" adopted pursuant to Board of Directors Resolution No. 34-33 dated August 12, 2014. This Regulation sets out in detail the Bank's operating principles and the duties and authorities of the Board of Directors, the Credit Committee and the General Manager of the Bank. While the Internal Regulation on Management Bodies includes provisions on the Audit Committee, detailed regulations are stipulated in the Internal Regulation on the Duties, Powers, Operating Principles and Procedures of the Audit Committee adopted pursuant to Board of Directors Resolution No. 34-01 dated October 31, 2006.

The authorities and responsibilities of the Bank's Managers are stipulated in the existing regulations and also determined by the authorities delegated by the Board of Directors particularly in financial matters as well as the authorities delegated to the lower ranks by the General Manager, to whom these authorities were delegated in the first place.

17. Number, Structure and Independence of the Committees Formed by the Board of Directors

The Bank has established committees comprised of the members of the Board of Directors: Credit Committee, Audit Committee, Corporate Governance Committee, and Compensation Committee. In addition to these committees, there are a number of other executive and/or directing boards, committees and commissions in which the Board of Directors members do not take part.

In accordance with the Regulation on Lending Transactions of Banks published by the Banking Regulation and Supervision Agency, the Credit Committee consists of two members of the Board of Directors and the General Manager. The General Manager acts as the Chairman of the Credit Committee. In the absence of the General Manager, the Credit Committee is presided over by a primary member of the Credit Committee. The Chairman of the Credit Committee is responsible for the coordination of the Committee's activities to ensure that they are run in an effective and smooth manner.

The Remuneration Committee is composed of two Members of the Board of Directors. The Committee Chairman is an Independent Member of the Board of Directors while both Members of the Board of Directors are not executive members.

The Corporate Governance Committee is composed of minimum two Members of the Board of Directors and the Assistant General Manager of Human Resources and Organization, the Assistant General Manager of Financial Management and Planning, and the Assistant General Manager of International Banking, the Head of Human Resources and the Head of Financial Accounting and Reporting. The Chairman of Corporate Governance Committee is an Independent Member of the Board of Directors.

The mandatory Article numbered 4.5.1 of the Corporate Governance Principles exempts banks from the obligation of creating a Risk Assessment Committee. The Bank did not set up a separate Nominating Committee in 2014. As per Article numbered 4.3.2.3 of the Management Internal Regulations dated August 12, 2014, the Bank delegated the functions of this committee to the Corporate Governance Committee in compliance with the regulatory provisions of the Capital Markets Board and Banking Regulation and Supervision Agency.

18. Risk Management and Internal Control Mechanism

Pursuant to Articles 23, 24, 29, 30, 31 and 32 of Banking Law No. 5411, banks are responsible for establishing and operating adequate and effective internal control, risk management and internal audit systems that cover all branches and all subsidiaries and affiliates subject to consolidation and that are compatible with the scope and structure of their activities and compliant with changing conditions in order to monitor and control their risks exposure.

In accordance with this, the Bank's Risk Management, Internal Control and Internal Auditing units carry out their activities in compliance with the above-mentioned articles and the Regulation on Internal Systems of Banks published in Official Gazette (No.29057 dated July 11,204) by the Banking Regulation and Supervision Agency of Turkey. The internal systems units carry out their activities under the Audit Committee, which consists of Board of Directors members with no executive functions. These activities intend to measure and eliminate potential risks.

Of Internal Systems units, the Departments of Internal Control and Risk Management operate under the supervision of the Deputy General Manager responsible for Internal Control and Risk Management while the Board of Inspectors operates under the supervision of the Audit Committee, which is formed to provide support in carrying out the control and supervision on behalf of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Inspectors oversees that the Bank carries out its activities in accordance with the Law and other related regulations as well as internal strategies, policies, principles and objectives; the smooth, adequate and effective functioning of the risk management and internal control systems.

The operations of the internal systems units for the measurement and elimination of risk and their findings regarding the safe operation of the Bank are evaluated by the Audit Committee every six months and are reported to the senior management of the Bank. In addition, the Audit Committee has regular meetings with the internal systems units throughout the year to analyze and evaluate the Bank's risks.

19. Strategic Goals of the Company

The Mission, Vision, Main Goals and Core Strategies of the Bank were adopted pursuant to Board of Directors Resolution No. 41-04 dated December 27, 2006 and disclosed to public on the Bank's web site.

20. Remuneration of the Board of Directors

In accordance with Article 23 of the Bank's Articles of Association, the Bank pays a monthly salary to the Members of the Board of Directors. The amount of such monthly salary is determined by the General Assembly. In 2014, gross TRY 9.7 million payment was made to the Members of the Board of Directors and to the Senior Executive Managers of the Bank. On the other hand, taking the banking sector practices into account; remuneration and all other benefits granted to the Members of the Board of Directors and to the managers who have administrative responsibilities are not announced on individual basis. The Remuneration Policy was created regarding the wage criteria of the Bank employees and published on the Bank's website after being submitted for the approval of the shareholders in the General Assembly. There is no detailed explanation in the Remuneration Policy about how the wage basis of the Members of the Board of Directors will be calculated. The remunerations of the Members of the Board of Directors are determined by the General Assembly. Within the limits in the Banking Law, it has been provided to use credit for the Board of Directors.