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AT THE HEART OF LEBANON'S CAPITAL, BEIRUT CITY CENTER IS AN URBAN AREA THOUSANDS OF YEARS OLD, TRADITIONALLY A FOCUS OF BUSINESS, FINANCE, GOVERNMENT, CULTURE AND LEISURE. ITS RECONSTRUCTION CONSTITUTES ONE OF THE MOST AMBITIOUS URBAN REVITALIZATION PROJECTS OF OUR TIMES.

## AS IT SPEARHEADS AND OVERSEES THIS PROJECT SOLIDERE IS BRINGING LIFE TO BEIRUT'S CENTRAL DISTRICT AND HOPES TO TURN IT INTO THE FINEST CITY CENTER IN THE MIDDLE EAST

The Lebanese Company for the Development and Reconstruction of the Beirut Central District s.a.l. (Solidere) is a joint-stock company established on May 5, 1994. It is based on Law 117 of 1991, which regulates Lebanese real estate companies aiming at the reconstruction of war-damaged areas, in accordance with an officially approved master plan. Its share capital is US\$1.65 billion.

The Company issues annual and semi-annual reports to its shareholders. Solidere's activities through the end of 2007 are also summarized in its fourteenth Annual Report.

This Annual Report includes consolidated financial statements, which consolidate the accounts of Solidere's subsidiaries depending on its shareholdings. Solidere's shareholdings in subsidiaries as at end 2007 were as follows: Beirut Waterfront Development s.a.l. 50%; Beirut Real Estate Management and Services s.a.l. (BREMS) 45%; Solidere Management Services s.a.l. 99.95%; Solidere Management Services s.a.l. (Offshore) 99.84%; Solidere International Holdings s.a.l. (Holding) 99.47%; Solidere International Limited, DIFC, 0.4286%.

Furthermore, Solidere International Holdings s.a.l. (Holding) owns 37.2% of Solidere International Limited. Solidere International Limited in turn owns 45% of BREMS International s.a.l. (Offshore); 77.27% of SI Al Zorah Equity Investments, Inc. (Cayman Islands); and 5% of Al Zorah Development (Private) Company Limited (Private Shareholding Company), Ajman Free Zone, UAE, of which SI Al Zorah Equity Investments, Inc. also owns 44%. In addition, BREMS International s.a.l. (Offshore) owns 38% of Amman Real Estate Management and Services Limited (AREMS), Amman.

The consolidated financial statements are prepared and audited in accordance with international standards.