# AerCap Holdings N.V. Dutch GAAP Annual Report

For the year ended December 31, 2018

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#### TABLE OF DEFINITIONS

ACSAL Acsal Holdco, LLC AeroTurbine AeroTurbine, Inc.

AerCap, we, us or the Company AerCap Holdings N.V. and its subsidiaries

AerCap Ireland AerCap Ireland Limited AerCap Trust AerCap Global Aviation Trust

AerDragon AerDragon Aviation Partners Limited and Subsidiaries

AerLift AerLift Leasing Limited and Subsidiaries

AerCap Ireland Capital Designated Activity Company, a designated activity company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of Ireland

AIG American International Group, Inc.

Airbus Airbus S.A.S.

AICDC

**Boeing** The Boeing Company **ECA Export Credit Agency** 

**ECAPS Enhanced Capital Advantaged Preferred Securities** 

**Embraer** Embraer S.A. **EOL** End of lease

**EPS** Earnings per share

Ex-Im Export-Import Bank of the United States **GECC** General Electric Capital Corporation **ILFC** International Lease Finance Corporation

The purchase by AerCap and AerCap Ireland Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of AerCap, of 100% of ILFC's common stock from AIG on May 14,2014**ILFC** Transaction

London Interbank Offered Rates LIBOR

MR Maintenance reserved

Disassembly of an aircraft for the sale of its parts Part-out

PB Primary beneficiary

Peregrine Peregrine Aviation Company Limited and Subsidiaries

**SEC** U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

SPE Special purpose entity

U.S. GAAP Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in the United States of America

Waha Waha Capital PJSC

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## History and development of the Company

AerCap Holdings N.V. was incorporated in the Netherlands as a public limited liability company ("naamloze vennootschap" or "N.V.") on July 10, 2006. On November 27, 2006, we completed our initial public offering on the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE"). Our headquarters is located in Dublin, and we have offices in Shannon, Los Angeles, Singapore, Amsterdam, Shanghai and Abu Dhabi. We also have representative offices at the world's largest aircraft manufacturers, Boeing in Seattle and Airbus in Toulouse.

As of December 31, 2018, we had 151,847,345 ordinary shares issued, including 142,674,664 ordinary shares issued and outstanding, and 9,172,681 ordinary shares held as treasury shares. Our issued and outstanding ordinary shares included 2,429,442 shares of unvested restricted stock.

## **Description of business**

We are a global leader in aircraft leasing. We focus on acquiring in-demand aircraft at attractive prices, funding them efficiently, hedging interest rate risk prudently and using our platform to deploy these assets with the objective of delivering superior risk-adjusted returns. We believe that by applying our expertise, we will be able to identify and execute on a broad range of market opportunities that we expect will generate attractive returns for our shareholders. We are an independent aircraft lessor, and, as such, we are not affiliated with any airframe or engine manufacturer. This independence provides us with purchasing flexibility to acquire aircraft or engine models regardless of the manufacturer.

We lease most of our aircraft to airlines under operating leases. Under these leases, the lessee is responsible for the maintenance and servicing of the equipment during the lease term and we receive the benefit, and assume the risks, of the residual value of the equipment at the end of the lease.

We have the infrastructure, expertise and resources to execute a large number of diverse aircraft transactions in a variety of market conditions. During the year ended December 31, 2018, we executed 436 aircraft transactions. Our teams of dedicated marketing and asset trading professionals have been successful in leasing and managing our aircraft portfolio. During the year ended December 31, 2018, our weighted average owned aircraft utilization rate was 98.9%, calculated based on the number of days each aircraft was on lease during the year, weighted by the net book value of the aircraft.

#### Our business strategy

We develop our aircraft leasing business by executing on our focused business strategy, the key components of which are as follows:

## Manage the profitability of our aircraft portfolio

Manage the long-term profitability of our aircraft portfolio by selectively:

- purchasing aircraft directly from manufacturers;
- entering into purchase and leaseback transactions with aircraft operators;
- using our global customer relationships to obtain favorable lease terms for aircraft and maximizing aircraft utilization;
- maintaining diverse sources of global funding;
- · optimizing our portfolio by selling select aircraft; and
- providing management services to securitization vehicles, our joint ventures and other aircraft owners at limited incremental cost to us.

Our ability to profitably manage aircraft throughout their lifecycle depends in part on our ability to successfully source acquisition opportunities of new and used aircraft at favorable terms, as well as secure long-term funding for such acquisitions, lease aircraft at profitable rates, minimize downtime between leases and associated technical expenses and opportunistically sell aircraft.

## Efficiently manage our liquidity

Our management analyzes sources of financing based on pricing and other terms and conditions in order to optimize the return on our investments. We have the ability to access a broad range of liquidity sources globally. In 2018, we raised approximately \$6.9 billion of financing, including bank debt, revolving credit facilities and note issuances in the capital markets.

We have access to liquidity in the form of our revolving credit facilities and our term loan facilities, which provide us with flexibility in raising capital and enable us to deploy capital rapidly to accretive purchasing opportunities that arise in the market. As of December 31, 2018, we had approximately \$8.1 billion of undrawn lines of credit available under our revolving credit and term loan facilities and \$1.2 billion of unrestricted cash. We strive to maintain a diverse financing strategy, both in terms of capital providers and structure, through the use of bank debt, note issuance and export credit, including ECA guaranteed loans, in order to maximize our financial flexibility. We also leverage our longstanding relationships with the major aircraft financers and lenders to secure access to capital. In addition, we attempt to maximize our operating cash flows and continue to pursue the sale of aircraft to generate additional cash flows. Please refer to Note 13—Debt to our Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report for a detailed description of our outstanding indebtedness.

## Manage our aircraft portfolio

We intend to maintain an attractive portfolio of in-demand aircraft by acquiring new aircraft directly from aircraft manufacturers, executing purchase and leasebacks with airlines, assisting airlines with reflectings and pursuing other opportunistic transactions. We rely on our experienced team of portfolio management professionals to identify and purchase assets we believe are being offered at attractive prices or that we believe will experience an increase in demand and value over a prolonged period of time. In addition, we intend to continue to rebalance our aircraft portfolio through sales to maintain the appropriate mix of aviation assets by customer concentration, age and aircraft type.

## Maintain a diversified and satisfied customer base

We currently lease our owned and managed aircraft to approximately 200 customers in approximately 80 countries. We monitor our lessee exposure concentrations by both customer and country jurisdiction and intend to maintain a well-diversified customer base. We believe we offer a quality product, both in terms of assets and service, to all of our customers. We have successfully worked with many airlines to find mutually beneficial solutions to operational and financial challenges. We believe we maintain excellent relations with our customers. We have been able to achieve a high utilization rate on our aircraft assets as a result of our customer reach, quality product offering and strong portfolio management capabilities.

## Joint ventures and participations

We conduct some of our business through joint ventures and participations. These arrangements allow us to:

- increase the geographical and product diversity of our portfolio;
- · obtain stable servicing revenues; and
- diversify our exposure to the economic risks related to aircraft.

Please refer to Note 24—*Special purpose entities* to our Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report for a detailed description of our joint ventures and participations.

## Relationship with Airbus and Boeing and other manufacturers

We are one of the largest customers of Airbus and Boeing measured by deliveries of aircraft through 2018 and our order backlog. We were also the launch customer of the Embraer E2 program, with an order for 50 E-Jets E2 aircraft. We are also among the largest purchasers of engines from each of CFM International, GE Aviation, International Aero Engines, Pratt & Whitney and Rolls-Royce. These extensive manufacturer relationships and the scale of our business enable us to place large orders with favorable pricing and delivery terms. In addition, these strategic relationships with manufacturers and market knowledge allow us to participate in new aircraft designs, which gives us increased confidence in our airframe and engine selections. AerCap cooperates broadly with manufacturers seeking mutually beneficial opportunities, including additional orders, purchasing selective new aircraft on short notice and facilitating manufacturer targets by purchasing used aircraft from airlines seeking to renew their fleets.

## Risk management and control framework

Our management is responsible for designing, implementing and operating an adequate functioning internal risk management and control framework. The purpose of this framework is to identify and manage the strategic, operational, financial and compliance risks to which we are exposed, to promote effectiveness and efficiency of our operations, to promote reliable financial reporting and to promote compliance with laws and regulations. Supervision is exercised by our Audit Committee, as described in the "Committees of the Board of Directors" section included in this Annual Report. Our internal risk management and control framework is based on the COSO framework developed by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013). The COSO framework aims to provide reasonable assurance regarding effectiveness and efficiency of an entity's operations, reliability of financial reporting, prevention of fraud and compliance with laws and regulations.

## Risk appetite

Pursuing business strategy objectives inevitably leads to taking risks. Risks can jeopardize those objectives in various ways. Risks are addressed in a manner and with the intensity that matches the nature and size of the risk in relation to the Company's risk appetite. The risk appetite is the total residual impact of risks that we are willing to accept in the pursuit of our objectives. Effective risk management is a key success factor for realizing the Company's strategic objectives. Risk areas with a low-risk appetite and thus a low acceptable residual risk require strong risk management and strong internal controls. Risk areas with a high-risk appetite require relatively less risk management and internal control effort.

## Primary risks and mitigating controls

Our business is subject to various risks relating to changing competitive, economic, political, regulatory, legal, social, industrial, business and financial conditions. The following table includes our primary risks which could harm the realization of our strategic business objectives, our financial condition and operating results, adversely affect our revenues and profitability, and possibly impact our share price, and their mitigation controls. For other risks that may affect us, we refer to our filings with the SEC which are accessible through our website www.aercap.com.

Risks	Mitigating Controls
Industry Specific Risks	
Cyclical movements in the aircraft leasing industry and lease rates	Highly diversified customer base
	<ul> <li>Security deposit and maintenance reserves</li> </ul>
	Proactive risk management
Aircraft valuation	Focus on in-demand liquid aircraft types
	• Continually optimize portfolio through aircraft acquisitions and disposals
Funding / Capital Structure Risks	
Availability of cost effective funds	<ul> <li>Focus on highly diversified, long-term funding to match fund long-term assets</li> </ul>
	• Appropriate mix of funding in capital markets and secured debt markets
	• Long-standing relationships with the major aircraft financiers and lenders
	Flexible repayment profiles
	Conservative leverage
Interest Rate Exposure	
Increased cost of borrowing and changes in interest rates	<ul> <li>Hedge through a mix of interest rate caps, swaps and fixed-rate loans to benefit from decreasing interest rates, while protecting against increasing interest rates</li> </ul>

#### Risk that materialized in 2018

We believe that our primary risks are sufficiently mitigated by the above mentioned mitigating controls. None of these risks materialized in such a way that it had a material impact on our 2018 results. In addition, we believe that this report provides sufficient insight into the design and effectiveness, and exceptions to the effectiveness, of our internal risk management and control framework. Based on the current state of affairs, our financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis. This report states those material risks and uncertainties that are relevant to the expectation of the Company's continuity for the period of 12 months after the preparation of this report.

Other elements of our internal risk management and control framework include:

#### Planning and control cycle

The planning and control cycle consists of an annual budget and business plan prepared by management and approved by our Board of Directors, quarterly forecasts, operational reviews and financial reporting.

## Risk management and internal controls

We have developed policies and procedures for all areas of our operations, both financial and non-financial, that constitutes a broad system of internal control. This system of internal control has been developed through a risk-based approach and enhanced with a view to achieving and maintaining full compliance with the requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended (the "Sarbanes-Oxley Act"). Our system of internal control is embedded in our standard business practices and is validated through audits performed by our internal auditors and through management testing of Sarbanes-Oxley Act controls, which is performed with the assistance of external advisors. In addition, senior management personnel and finance managers of our main operating subsidiaries annually sign a detailed letter of representation with regard to financial reporting, internal controls and ethical principles. Employees working in our finance or accounting functions are subject to a separate Finance Code of Ethics.

## Controls and procedures statement under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act

As of December 31, 2018, our management (with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer) conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures and our internal control over financial reporting pursuant to the Sections 302 and 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and Rules 13a-15(e) and 13a-15(f) of the Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Based on this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that as of December 31, 2018, such disclosure controls and procedures were effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the SEC.

## Disclosure controls and procedures

The Disclosure Committee assists our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer in overseeing our financial and non-financial disclosure activities and to ensure compliance with applicable disclosure requirements arising under U.S. and Dutch law and regulatory requirements. The Disclosure Committee obtains information for its recommendations from the operational and financial reviews, letters of representation which include a risk and internal controls self-assessment, input from the documentation and assessment of our internal controls over financial reporting and input from risk management activities during the year along with various business reports. The Disclosure Committee comprises various members of senior management.

## Code of Conduct and Whistleblower Policy

Our Code of Conduct is published on our website and is applicable to all our employees, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer. It is designed to promote honest and ethical conduct and timely and accurate disclosure in our periodic financial results. We believe the Code of Conduct is effective and complied with in practice. Our Whistleblower Policy provides for the reporting, if so wished on an anonymous basis, of alleged violations of the Code of Conduct, alleged irregularities of a financial nature by our employees, directors or other stakeholders, alleged violations of our compliance procedures and other alleged irregularities without any fear of reprisal against the individual that reports the violation or irregularity.

## Compliance procedures

AerCap has various procedures and programs in place designed to ensure compliance with relevant laws and regulations, including anti-insider trading procedures, anti-bribery procedures, anti-fraud procedures, economic sanctions and export control compliance procedures, anti-money laundering procedures, anti-trust procedures and protection of personal data procedures. Our compliance programs are maintained and supervised by the Chief Compliance Officer, and they include annual training in key compliance areas and annual certifications. The procedures are subject to regular audits by, or on behalf of, the internal audit function.

## 2018 financial and operating review

## Major developments in 2018

- AerCap executed a total of 436 aircraft transactions, including 85 widebody transactions.
- AerCap completed record purchases of 76 new technology aircraft for approximately \$5.9 billion.
- AerCap completed sales of 91 older and mid-life owned aircraft with aggregate proceeds of approximately \$2.2 billion.
- AerCap delivered the first Airbus A350-900 aircraft to Sichuan Airlines, marking the first AerCap A350 delivery to mainland China.
- AerCap delivered its first Embraer E190-E2 to Air Astana, the national carrier of Kazakhstan, making Air Astana the first operator of the Embraer E190-E2 in Central Asia.
- AerCap raised approximately \$6.9 billion of financing, including bank debt, revolving credit facilities and note issuances in the capital markets.
- AerCap's Board of Directors approved share repurchase programs for an aggregate \$700 million and repurchased an aggregate of 13.9 million ordinary shares for approximately \$726.6 million under share repurchase programs authorized in 2018 and 2017.

## Results of operations

Net income attributable to equity holders of AerCap Holdings N.V. for the year ended December 31, 2018 was \$918.5 million, as compared to \$1,021.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2017. Our total revenues and other income decreased by \$209.3 million, or 4.1%, to \$4,918.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$5,128.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2017. For the year ended December 31, 2018, diluted earnings per share was \$6.18, and the weighted average number of diluted shares outstanding was 148,706,266. For the year ended December 31, 2017, diluted earnings per share was \$6.11, and the weighted average number of diluted shares outstanding was 167,287,508.

#### Aviation assets

During the year ended December 31, 2018, we acquired \$5.9 billion of aviation assets, primarily related to the acquisition of 76 aircraft. As of December 31, 2018, we owned 962 aircraft, including 891 aircraft under operating leases and 71 aircraft under finance and sales-type leases. In addition, we managed 96 aircraft. As of December 31, 2018, the average age of our 962 owned aircraft fleet, weighted by net book value, was 6.3 years and as of December 31, 2017, the average age of our 980 owned aircraft fleet, weighted by net book value, was 6.8 years. We operate our business on a global basis and as of December 31, 2018, 943 of our 962 owned aircraft were on lease to 167 customers in 71 countries, with no lessee accounting for more than 10% of total lease revenue for the year ended December 31, 2018. As of December 31, 2018, our owned aircraft portfolio included 19 aircraft that were off-lease. As of March 5, 2019, 12 of the off-lease aircraft were re-leased or under commitments for re-lease, five aircraft were designated for sale or part-out, and one was under commitment for sale.

As of December 31, 2018, we also had 363 new aircraft on order, including 173 Airbus A320neo Family aircraft, 99 Boeing 737 MAX aircraft, 49 Embraer E-Jets E2 aircraft, 40 Boeing 787 aircraft, and two Airbus A350 aircraft.

## Liquidity and capital resources

As of December 31, 2018, our cash balance was \$1.4 billion, including unrestricted cash of \$1.2 billion, and we had approximately \$8.1 billion of undrawn lines of credit available under our revolving credit and term loan facilities. As of December 31, 2018, our total available liquidity, including undrawn lines of credit, unrestricted cash, cash flows from contracted asset sales and other sources of funding, was \$10.0 billion. During the year ended December 31, 2018, our average cost of debt, excluding the effect of mark-to-market movements on our interest rate caps, was 4.1%. As of December 31, 2018 our adjusted debt to equity ratio was 2.86 to 1. Adjusted debt to equity ratio is obtained by dividing adjusted debt by adjusted equity. Adjusted debt represents consolidated total debt less cash and cash equivalents, and less a 50% equity credit with respect to \$1.5 billion of long-term subordinated debt. Adjusted equity represents total equity, plus the 50% equity credit with respect to the long-term subordinated debt.

As of December 31, 2018, our existing sources of liquidity of \$13.2 billion, including estimated operating cash flows of \$3.2 billion, were sufficient to operate our business and cover at least 1.4x of our debt maturities and contracted capital requirements for the next 12 months. Our sources of liquidity for the next 12 months include undrawn lines of credit, unrestricted cash, estimated operating cash flows, cash flows from contracted asset sales and other sources of funding.

#### Interest rate risk

The following tables present the average notional amounts and weighted average interest rates which are contracted for the specified year for our derivative financial instruments that are sensitive to changes in interest rates, including our interest rate caps and swaps, as of December 31, 2018. Notional amounts are used to calculate the contractual payments to be exchanged under the contract. Under our interest rate caps, we will receive the excess, if any, of LIBOR, reset monthly or quarterly on an actual/360 adjusted basis, over the strike rate of the relevant cap. For our interest rate swaps, pay rates are based on the fixed rate which we are contracted to pay to our swap counterparty.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Thereafter	Fair value
			(U.S.	Dollars in millio	ns)		
Interest rate caps							
Average notional amounts	\$ 2,325.0	\$ 2,255.2	\$ 1,715.7	\$ 1,211.2	\$ 675.4	\$ —	\$ 32.5
Weighted average strike rate	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.6%	2.8%	_	
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Thereafter	Fair value
				Dollars in millio		———	
Interest rate swaps			(0.5.	<b>2 (1111</b> ) <b>111</b> 1111110			
Average notional amounts	\$ 3,893.1	\$ 3,689.4	\$ 3,150.0	\$ 2,211.3	\$ 666.7	\$ —	\$ 7.2
Weighted average pay rate	2.4%	2.4%	2.6%	2.8%	3.0%	_	

The variable benchmark interest rates associated with these instruments ranged from one- to six-month U.S. dollar LIBOR.

## Personnel

As of December 31, 2018, we had 385 permanent employees relating to our aircraft leasing business, including one part-time employee. As of December 31, 2017, we had 407 permanent employees relating to our aircraft leasing business, including two part-time employees. We expect that the number of personnel will remain relatively constant throughout 2019.

## Financial outlook

Our U.S. GAAP financial outlook for the year 2019 is diluted earnings per share of approximately \$6.00 - \$6.20. This outlook could be subject to change, in light of highly fluid market conditions and other factors.

For 2019, we have committed to \$5.5 billion of aircraft purchases. We expect to source new debt finance for these capital expenditures through access to capital markets, including the unsecured and secured bond markets, the commercial bank market, export credit and the asset-backed securities market.

## Factors affecting our results

Our results of operations are affected by a variety of other factors, primarily:

- the number, type, age and condition of the aircraft we own;
- aviation industry market conditions, including general economic and political conditions;
- the demand for our aircraft and the resulting lease rates we are able to obtain for our aircraft;
- the availability and cost of debt capital to finance purchases of aircraft and aviation assets;
- the purchase price we pay for our aircraft;
- the number, type and sale price of aircraft, or parts in the event of a part-out of an aircraft, we sell in a period;
- the ability of our lessees to meet their lease obligations and maintain our aircraft in airworthy and marketable condition;
- the utilization rate of our aircraft;
- the recognition of non-cash share-based compensation expense related to the issuance of restricted stock units or restricted stock;
- our expectations of future maintenance reimbursements and lessee maintenance contributions;
- interest rates, which affect our aircraft lease revenues, our financial expense and the market value of our interest rate derivatives; and
- our ability to fund our business.

#### Culture and values

At AerCap, we strive to conduct our business with integrity and in an honest and responsible manner and to build and maintain long-term, mutually beneficial relationships with our customers, suppliers, shareholders, employees and other stakeholders. These values are further specified in our code of conduct and our ethics-related compliance policies, procedures, trainings and programs. Ethical behavior is strongly promoted by the management team. The Company has an excellent track record in relation to ethics and compliance. These ethical values are reflected in the Company's long-term strategy and our way of doing business.

## Sustainability and community

During 2018, the Board discussed and reviewed our approach to corporate social responsibility ("CSR") related topics and other values that contribute to a culture focused on long-term value creation. Renewing our aircraft portfolio through the acquisition of new, modern technology aircraft while disposing of older aircraft has a positive impact on the environment, as these new technology aircraft produce significantly lower emissions than older aircraft and engines, thus helping our airline customers to reduce their environmental footprint. AerCap is committed to the efficient use of resources and the reduction of unnecessary waste. Our head office in Dublin has been certified for sustainability pertaining to such matters as building materials, energy and water use and accessibility. Our office buildings in Los Angeles and Singapore hold similar green building certifications.

AerCap participates in a number of charitable events and industry related educational schemes. We have established a CSR Steering Committee to oversee the selection of charitable themes and charity partners, and the implementation of charitable donations. A number of charitable donations involve the matching of funds raised through AerCap employee team efforts for the benefit of local community projects. The Company, along with other major aircraft leasing companies, is a sponsor of a prestigious master's in aviation finance program at a renowned university. In addition to the sponsorship, this program involves lectures by some of our key employees and internships provided by the Company to a number of international students from the program, in line with the global nature and identity of the Company and our business.

#### Corporate governance

At AerCap, we are committed to good corporate governance, which helps us to continue our success and long-term value creation. We believe that our organizational documents and policies and procedures provide an effective governance framework to serve the interests of the Company, our shareholders and other stakeholders. We endeavor to ensure compliance with U.S., Dutch and other applicable corporate governance requirements, to the extent possible and desirable.

As we are listed on the NYSE and incorporated in the Netherlands as a public limited company ("naamloze vennootschap" or "N.V."), we are required to comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and certain corporate governance requirements and best practices set out by the NYSE, the SEC and the 2016 Dutch Corporate Governance Code (the "Code"). We have elected to be exempt from the NYSE rules on directors' independence as a foreign private issuer.

Corporate governance related documents, including our articles of association, the Rules for the Board of Directors including its Committees (also referred to herein as the "Board Rules"), the Code of Conduct, the Whistleblower Procedure and our Insider Trading Rules, are available on our website.

## **Board of Directors**

#### Responsibilities

Under our articles of association, the Board Rules, and Dutch corporate law, the members of the Board of Directors are collectively responsible for the management, general and financial affairs, policy, and strategy of our Company.

Our Board of Directors has a one-tier structure and currently consists of ten directors, including one executive director. The executive director is our Chief Executive Officer, who is primarily responsible for managing our day-to-day affairs as well as other responsibilities that have been delegated to the executive director in accordance with our articles of association and Board Rules. The non-executive directors supervise the Chief Executive Officer and our general affairs and provide general advice to our Chief Executive Officer. In performing their duties, the non-executive directors are guided by the interests of the Company and shall, within the boundaries set by relevant Dutch law, take into account the relevant interests of our shareholders and other stakeholders in AerCap. The Board has appointed from among its non-executive directors the Chairman and the Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors.

The Chairman of the Board of Directors is obligated to ensure, among other things, that (i) each director receives all information about matters that he or she may deem useful or necessary in connection with the proper performance of his or her duties; (ii) each director has sufficient time for consultation and decision making; and (iii) the Board of Directors and the Board committees are properly constituted and functioning. The Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors shall be charged with the Chairman's tasks, should the latter become temporarily or permanently incapacitated or prevented from acting. The internal affairs of the Board of Directors are governed by our Board Rules.

Our current directors are:

Name	Age	Nationality	Gender	Position	Initial Appointment	End of Current Term (a)
Pieter Korteweg	77	The Netherlands	M	Non-Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors	2006	2020
Aengus Kelly	45	Ireland	M	Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer	2011	2023
Salem Al Noaimi	43	United Arab Emirates	M	Non-Executive Director	2011	2020
Homaid Al Shimmari	51	United Arab Emirates	M	Non-Executive Director	2011	2020
Julian (Brad) Branch	64	United States	M	Non-Executive Director	2018	2022
Paul Dacier	61	United States	M	Non-Executive Director and Vice Chairman	2010	2020
Richard (Michael) Gradon	59	United Kingdom	M	Non-Executive Director	2010	2020
James (Jim) Lawrence	66	United States	M	Non-Executive Director	2017	2021
Michael Walsh	52	Ireland	M	Non-Executive Director	2017	2021
Robert (Bob) Warden	46	United States	M	Non-Executive Director	2006	2020

<sup>(</sup>a) The term for each director ends at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders ("AGM") typically held in April or May of each year.

*Pieter Korteweg.* Mr. Korteweg has been a Director of AerCap since September 27, 2006. He serves as Vice Chairman of Cerberus Global Investment Advisors, LLC (New York). In addition, he serves as Chairman of Cerberus Global Investments B.V. (Baarn) and Chairman of the Supervisory Boards of Bawag Holding AG and Bawag PSK Bank AG (Vienna). Mr. Korteweg previously served, amongst others, as Non-Executive Member of the Board of Haya Real Estate S.L.U. (Madrid), Chairman of the Board of Capital Home Loans Ltd., Member of the Supervisory Board of Mercedes Benz Nederland B.V., Non-Executive Member of the Board of Aozora Bank Ltd. (Tokyo), Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Pensions and Insurance Supervisory Authority of the Netherlands, Chairman of the Supervisory Board of the Dutch Central Bureau of Statistics and Vice Chairman of the Supervisory Board of De Nederlandsche Bank. From 1987 to 2001, Mr. Korteweg was President and Chief Executive Officer of Robeco Group in Rotterdam. From 1981 to 1986, he was Treasurer General of the Dutch Ministry of Finance. Mr. Korteweg was a professor of economics from 1971 to 1998 at Erasmus University Rotterdam in the Netherlands. He holds a Ph.D. in Economics from Erasmus University Rotterdam.

Aengus Kelly. Mr. Kelly was appointed Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of AerCap on May 18, 2011. Previously he served as Chief Executive Officer of AerCap's U.S. operations from January 2008 to May 2011. Mr. Kelly served as AerCap's Group Treasurer from 2005 through December 31, 2007. He started his career in the aviation leasing and financing business with GPA in 1998 and continued working with its successors AerFi in Ireland and debis AirFinance and AerCap in Amsterdam. Prior to joining GPA in 1998, he spent three years with KPMG in Dublin. Mr. Kelly is a Chartered Accountant and holds a Bachelor's degree in Commerce and a Master's degree in Accounting from University College, Dublin.

*Salem Al Noaimi*. Mr. Al Noaimi has been a Director of AerCap since May 18, 2011. Mr. Al Noaimi is also the Chairman of Waha Capital, and he previously served as Waha's CEO. He holds Board positions with a number of public and private entities, including Chairman of Abu Dhabi Healthcare Services (SEHA), and Board member of Al Dhafra Insurance Company and National Energy Services Reunited Corporation. Earlier in his career, Mr. Al Noaimi held various positions at Dubai Islamic Bank, the UAE Central Bank, the Abu Dhabi Fund for Development and Kraft Foods. Mr. Al Noaimi is an UAE national with a degree in Finance and International Business from Northeastern University in Boston.

Homaid Al Shimmari. Mr. Al Shimmari has been a Director of AerCap since May 18, 2011. Mr. Al Shimmari is also the Deputy Group CEO and Chief Corporate & Human Capital Officer at Mubadala Investment Company and member of its Investment Committee. He holds prominent roles with key aerospace, information communications technology and defense companies and organizations, including Chairman of Maximus Air Cargo and Abu Dhabi Autonomous Systems Investment (ADASI), and Board member of Abu Dhabi Aviation, Royal Jet and Abu Dhabi Marine Operations. Mr. Al Shimmari is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the UAE University and the Khalifa University of Science, Technology and Research, and a member of the Scholarship Committee at Abu Dhabi Education Council (ADEC). Before joining Mubadala, Mr. Al Shimmari was a Lieutenant Colonel in the UAE Armed Forces serving in the areas of military aviation, maintenance, procurement and logistics. Mr. Al Shimmari holds a Bachelor of Science in Aeronautical Engineering from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Florida, and holds a black belt in Six Sigma from General Electric, a highly disciplined leadership program.

Julian (Brad) Branch. Mr. Branch has been a Director of AerCap since April 25, 2018. Mr. Branch most recently served Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Ltd (Deloitte's global organization) as Senior Advisor in the Office of the CEO and was a member of Board of Deloitte Northwest Europe LP (a professional partnership comprising Deloitte's practices in U.K., Ireland, Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Iceland, and Finland) and an advisor to Deloitte's Middle East practice. Mr. Branch's professional career has spanned 40 years; he first qualified as a Certified Public Accountant in June 1979, and was a general partner of Deloitte entities in the U.S. including Deloitte & Touche LLP (accounting and auditing) and Deloitte Consulting LLP (consulting) for 29 years. His industry focus for the last decade has been as a leader in Deloitte's air transportation professional practice working with large global airlines. Mr. Branch held a variety of global leadership roles with Deloitte, having lived and practiced outside of the U.S. for over a decade, including Regional Managing Director, Global Industry Practice Director and, within the U.S., National Managing Partner for Partner Matters. Mr. Branch vigorously supports the community through not-forprofit Board service, such as the Advisory Board of Emory University School of Ethics, and including service on multiple Audit Committees. Mr. Branch received a BA and MBA from the University of North Carolina.

**Paul Dacier.** Mr. Dacier has been a Director of AerCap since May 27, 2010. He is also currently the general counsel at Indigo Agriculture, a privately held start-up company. Presently, Mr. Dacier serves as a Non-Executive Director of GTY Technology Holdings Inc. (a technology holding company), and he is on the Board of Directors of Progress Software Inc. (a software application development company). Until 2016, Mr. Dacier was Executive Vice President and General Counsel of EMC Corporation (an information infrastructure technology and solutions company), where he worked in various positions from 1990. He was a Non-Executive Director of Genesis from November 2007 until the date of the amalgamation with AerCap International Bermuda Limited. Prior to joining EMC, Mr. Dacier was an attorney with Apollo Computer Inc. (a computer work station company) from 1984 to 1990. Mr. Dacier received a B.A. in history and a J.D. in 1983 from Marquette University. He is admitted to practice law in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the state of Wisconsin.

**Richard (Michael) Gradon.** Mr. Gradon has been a Director of AerCap since May 27, 2010. He is also currently a Non-Executive Director of Exclusive Hotels, and is on the Board of Directors of The All England Lawn Tennis Ground PLC, The All England Lawn Tennis Club and The Wimbledon Championships. He was a Non-Executive Director of Genesis from November 2007 until the date of the amalgamation with AerCap International Bermuda Limited. He practiced law at Slaughter & May before joining the UK FTSE 100 company The Peninsular & Oriental Steam Navigation Company (P&O) where he was a main Board Director from 1998 until its takeover in 2006. His roles at P&O included the group commercial & legal director function and he served as Chairman of P&O's property division. In addition, Mr. Gradon served as Chairman of La Manga Club, Spain, and Chief Executive Officer of the London Gateway projects. Mr. Gradon holds an M.A. degree in law from Cambridge University.

James (Jim) Lawrence. Mr. Lawrence has been a Director of AerCap since May 5, 2017. He is currently Chairman of Great North Star LLC, a private investment firm. Previously, Mr. Lawrence served as Chairman of Rothschild North America and earlier as Chief Executive Officer of Rothschild North America and as co-head of global investment banking at Rothschild from 2010 to 2015. Prior to Rothschild, Mr. Lawrence was Chief Financial Officer of Unilever and he served as Executive Director on the boards of Unilever NV and Unilever PLC. He joined Unilever in 2007 after serving as the Vice Chairman and Chief Financial Officer of General Mills for nine years. Prior to General Mills, Mr. Lawrence was Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Northwest Airlines from 1996 to 1998, and before that Mr. Lawrence was a division President at PepsiCo, serving as CEO of Pepsi-Cola Asia, Middle East, Africa from 1992 to 1996. In 1983, he cofounded The LEK Partnership, a corporate strategy and merger/acquisition firm, headquartered in London. Before that he was a Partner of Bain and Company having opened their London and Munich offices. Prior to that, he worked for The Boston Consulting Group. Mr. Lawrence is currently a Non-Executive Director of Avnet Inc. and Smurfit Kappa Group. His aviation industry experience dates from 1990, and it includes, in addition to being the Chief Financial Officer of Northwest Airlines, serving on the boards of IAG (International Consolidated Airlines Group), Continental Airlines, TWA, Mesaba and British Airways. Since 1990, Mr. Lawrence has served on 16 public company boards, several private company boards and numerous non-profit boards. Mr. Lawrence earned a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Yale University and an M.B.A. with distinction from Harvard Business School.

*Michael Walsh.* Mr. Walsh has been a Director of AerCap since May 5, 2017. He previously served as a Non-Executive Director, including Chairman, of a number of companies which finance and lease aircraft and trains throughout the world. Mr. Walsh has over 25 years' experience as a Non-Executive Director, senior executive and commercial lawyer in the aircraft leasing and financing industry. In 1989, he joined GPA Group plc, the aircraft leasing and financing company, and held a number of senior management positions, including General Counsel. Following the acquisition of GPA by debis AirFinance in 2000, Mr. Walsh was appointed General Counsel of debis AirFinance and held that position until 2002. From 2003 to 2005, he served as Chief Legal Officer of Bord Gais Eireann, the Irish gas utility. From 1986 to 1989, he was a diplomat in the Irish Diplomatic Service. Mr. Walsh is a barrister and a law graduate of University College, Cork, Ireland.

**Robert (Bob) Warden.** Mr. Warden has been a Director of AerCap since July 26, 2006. He is also currently Co-Head of Private Equity and Senior Managing Director at Cerberus Capital Management, L.P., which he rejoined in October 2018 after previously working at Cerberus from 2003 to 2012. Mr. Warden has worked in the private equity industry for over 20 years. He was formerly a partner at Pamplona Capital Management from 2012 to 2018, and had previously worked in private equity at J.H. Whitney, Cornerstone Equity Investors and Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette. Mr. Warden received his A.B. from Brown University.

#### **Board meetings**

Each director has the right to cast one vote and may be represented at a meeting of the Board of Directors by a fellow director. The Board of Directors may pass resolutions only if a quorum of four directors, including our Chief Executive Officer and the Chairman or, in his absence, the Vice Chairman, are present at the meeting. Resolutions must be passed by a majority of the votes cast. If there is a tie, the matter will be decided by the Chairman of our Board of Directors or, in his absence, the Vice Chairman. Subject to Dutch law, resolutions of the Board of Directors may be passed in writing by a majority of the directors in office. Pursuant to Dutch laws and the Board Rules, a director may not participate in discussions or the decision making process on a transaction or subject in relation to which he or she has a conflict of interest with us. Resolutions to enter into such transactions must be approved by our Board of Directors, excluding such interested director or directors.

In 2018, the Board of Directors met on eight occasions. Throughout the year, the Chairman of the Board and individual non-executive directors were in close contact with our Chief Executive Officer and the other Group Executive Committee members. During its meetings and contacts with the Chief Executive Officer and the other Group Executive Committee members, the Board discussed such topics as AerCap's annual reports and annual accounts for the financial year 2017, topics for the AGM 2018, secured and unsecured financing transactions and AerCap's liquidity position, AerCap's hedging policies, optimization of AerCap's portfolio of aircraft, global and regional macroeconomic, monetary and political developments and impact on the industry, AerCap key customer developments, competitive landscape, aircraft valuations, AerCap's backlog of new technology orders with aircraft and engine manufacturers, AerCap shareholder value, AerCap key shareholder developments, capital allocation strategies and share repurchases, AerCap's corporate and tax structure, reports from the various Board committees, budgeting and financial planning, remuneration and compensation, directors' and officers' succession planning, cyber security, regulatory compliance, culture and values, sustainability and community, governance, risk management and control and an assessment of the Board's own functioning.

None of the non-executive members of the Board was frequently absent during the meetings held in 2018. The table below outlines the attendance at Board and committee meetings during 2018:

Name	Full board	% Attendance	Audit Committee	% Attendance	Nomination and Compensation Committee	% Attendance
Pieter Korteweg	8	100%	_	_	3	100%
Aengus Kelly	8	100%	_	_	_	_
Salem Al Noaimi	7	88%	_	_	_	_
Homaid Al Shimmari	4	50%	_		<del></del>	_
Julian (Brad) Branch (a)	5	83%	5	100%	<del></del>	_
Paul Dacier	8	100%	_		3	100%
Richard (Michael) Gradon	8	100%	7	100%	<del></del>	_
James (Jim) Lawrence	8	100%	7	100%	<del></del>	_
Michael Walsh (b)	8	100%	5	100%	2	100%
Robert (Bob) Warden	6	75%	_		2	67%

<sup>(</sup>a) Appointed to the Board in 2018.

In 2018, the non-executive directors of the Board also performed a self-assessment of the Board's performance. It assessed its own functioning and that of its individual members, and the functioning of its committees, at a Board meeting. The outcome of the self-assessment was that the Board, its committees and its individual members functioned and continue to function satisfactorily. Possible improvement opportunities were documented and will be monitored through to implementation. The Board maintains an introduction program for new non-executive directors with the purpose to familiarize them with the relevant AerCap business, values, governance and compliance aspects. The Board has determined a profile for its non-executive directors which has been made available on the Company's website.

<sup>(</sup>b) Appointed to the Audit Committee and Nomination and Compensation Committee in 2018.

## Conflicts of interest

In accordance with Board rules, each director shall immediately report any potential conflict of interest concerning a director to the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The director with such conflict of interests shall in such case provide the Chairman with all information relevant to the conflict. Also, a director may not participate in the discussions and/or the decision making process on a transaction or subject in relation to which he or she has a conflict of interest with the Company and its enterprise.

## Appointment, suspension and dismissal

The directors are appointed by the General Meeting of Shareholders. Our directors may be appointed by the vote of a majority of votes cast at a General Meeting of Shareholders provided that our Board of Directors has proposed the appointment. Without a Board of Directors proposal, directors may also be appointed by the vote of a majority of the votes cast at a General Meeting of Shareholders if the majority represents at least one-third of our issued capital.

Shareholders may remove or suspend a director by the vote of a majority of the votes cast at a General Meeting of Shareholders, provided that our Board of Directors has proposed the removal. Our shareholders may also remove or suspend a director, without there being a proposal by the Board of Directors, by the vote of a majority of the votes cast at a General Meeting of Shareholders if the majority represents at least one-third of our issued capital.

## Committees of the Board of Directors

In order to more efficiently fulfill its role, the Board has established committees including: a Group Executive Committee, a Group Portfolio and Investment Committee, a Group Treasury and Accounting Committee, an Audit Committee and a Nomination and Compensation Committee.

#### Audit Committee

Our Audit Committee assists the Board of Directors in fulfilling its responsibilities relating to the integrity of our financial statements, our risk management and internal control arrangements, our compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, the performance, qualifications and independence of external auditors, and the performance of the internal audit function, among others. The Audit Committee is comprised of non-executive directors who are "independent" as defined by Rule 10A-3 under the Exchange Act. At least one of them shall have the necessary financial qualifications. As of December 31, 2018, the members of our Audit Committee were James (Jim) Lawrence (Chairman), Julian (Brad) Branch, Richard (Michael) Gradon and Michael Walsh. Our Board of Directors has determined that James (Jim) Lawrence and Julian (Brad) Branch are "audit committee financial experts," as that term is defined by SEC rules.

In 2018, the Audit Committee met on seven occasions. Throughout the year, the members of the Audit Committee were in close contact with our Chief Executive Officer, our Chief Financial Officer, internal auditors as well as the external auditors. Principal items discussed and reviewed during these Audit Committee meetings and with our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer included the annual and quarterly financial statements and disclosures, external auditor's reports, external auditor's independence and rotation, activities and results in respect of our continued compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, the external auditor's audit plan for 2018, approval of other services rendered by the external auditor, internal audit reports, the internal auditor's audit plan for 2019, the Company's compliance, risk management policies and integrity and fraud, the expenses incurred by the Company's most senior officers in carrying out their duties, the Company's tax planning policies, the functioning of the Audit Committee, the audit committee charter and the audit committee cycle. The Audit Committee had separate sessions with the external auditor and with the internal auditor without management being present.

#### Nomination and Compensation Committee

Our Nomination and Compensation Committee selects and recruits candidates for the positions of Chief Executive Officer, non-executive director and Chairman of the Board of Directors and recommends their remuneration, bonuses and other terms of employment or engagement to the Board of Directors. In addition, our Nomination and Compensation Committee approves the remuneration, bonuses and other terms of employment of the Group Executive Committee and certain other officers and appoints members of the Group Executive Committee, the Group Treasury and Accounting Committee and recommends candidates for the Audit Committee and plans the succession within the Board of Directors and committees. It is chaired by the Chairman of our Board of Directors and is further comprised of up to three non-executive directors appointed by the Board of Directors. As of December 31, 2018, the members of our Nomination and Compensation Committee were Pieter Korteweg (Chairman), Paul Dacier, Michael Walsh, and Robert (Bob) Warden.

In 2018, the Nomination and Compensation Committee met on three occasions. At these meetings it discussed and approved succession planning and compensation related occurrences and developments within the framework of the Board and Committee Rules and our remuneration policy. In addition, various resolutions were adopted outside of these meetings.

None of our Nomination and Compensation Committee members or our officers has a relationship that would constitute an interlocking relationship with officers or directors of another entity or insider participation in compensation decisions.

## Profile of the Board

Our Board of Directors maintains a profile of the non-executive directors containing guidance and requirements with respect to composition of the Board. The Board members are from diverse professional backgrounds and combine a broad spectrum of experience and expertise with a reputation for integrity. The Board as a whole possesses the core competencies, professional backgrounds and skill sets as outlined in the Board profile, which is determined by the Board each year. The profile sets out the Board's policy in relation to Board composition and diversity. The highlights of such policy include that the Board shall aim for a diverse composition, in line with the global nature and identity of the Company and its business, in terms of such factors as nationality, background, gender and age. It is our objective to increase female representation on our Board, as we believe that greater gender diversity of the Board will have a positive impact. Candidate directors will be primarily selected on the basis of core competencies, professional backgrounds and skill sets as outlined in the profile. The Board comprises at least one financial expert. The diversity principles are similarly applied, to the extent applicable, to the composition of the Group Executive Committee. In 2018, the Board carried out an assessment and determined that the requirements of the profile of the non-executive directors continue to be met. The profile is available on the website of the Company.

## **Officers**

As described above, the Chief Executive Officer is primarily responsible for managing our day-to-day affairs as well as other duties that have been delegated to the executive director in accordance with our articles of association and the Board Rules.

We maintain a Group Executive Committee, which is tasked with assisting the Chief Executive Officer with regard to the operational management of the Company, subject to the Chief Executive Officer's ultimate responsibility. It is chaired by our Chief Executive Officer and is comprised of officers appointed by the Nomination and Compensation Committee. As of December 31, 2018, the members of our Group Executive Committee were Aengus Kelly (Chief Executive Officer), Marnix den Heijer (Company Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer), Peter Juhas (Chief Financial Officer) and Philip Scruggs (President and Chief Commercial Officer). The members of the Group Executive Committee assist the Chief Executive Officer in performing his duties and as such have managerial and policy making functions within the Company in their respective areas of responsibility. Members of the Group Executive Committee regularly attend Board meetings.

Our current officers (in addition to Aengus Kelly who is our executive director and Chief Executive Officer, as described above) are:

Name	Age	Nationality	Gender	Position
Marnix den Heijer	46	The Netherlands	M	Company Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer
Peter Juhas	47	United States of America	M	Chief Financial Officer
Philip Scruggs	54	United States of America	M	President and Chief Commercial Officer
Peter Anderson	43	Australia	M	Head of Asia Pacific & EMEA
Brian Canniffe	46	Ireland	M	Group Treasurer
Vincent Drouillard	43	France	M	General Counsel
Anton Joiner	48	United Kingdom	M	Chief Risk Officer
Tom Kelly	55	Ireland	M	Chief Executive Officer, AerCap Ireland Limited
Jorg Koletzki	51	Germany	M	Chief Information Officer
Bart Ligthart	37	The Netherlands	M	Head of Trading and Portfolio Management
Theresa Murray	51	Ireland	F	Head of Human Resources
Martin Olson	56	United States of America	M	Head of OEM Relations
Joe Venuto	59	United States of America	M	Chief Technical Officer

*Marnix den Heijer.* Mr. Den Heijer was appointed Company Secretary in 2008 and subsequently also took on the role of Chief Compliance Officer. He served as Head of Internal Audit from 2006 to April 2017, and as Head of Contracts Management from 2002 to 2005. He joined the contracts management department in 2000. Prior to joining AerCap, Mr. Den Heijer practiced international trade and transportation law at a Netherlands based law firm. Mr. Den Heijer holds a Master degree in law from Leiden University and a Master degree in law from University College, London.

**Peter Juhas.** Mr. Juhas was appointed Chief Financial Officer of AerCap in April 2017, following his appointment as Deputy Chief Financial Officer in September 2015. Prior to joining AerCap, Mr. Juhas was Global Head of Strategic Planning at AIG, where he led the development of the company's strategic and capital plans, as well as mergers, acquisitions and other transactions, including the sale of ILFC to AerCap. Prior to joining AIG in 2011, Mr. Juhas was a Managing Director in the Investment Banking Division of Morgan Stanley from 2000 to 2011. While at Morgan Stanley, he led the IPO of AerCap in 2006 and was the lead advisor to the Federal Reserve Bank and the U.S. Treasury on the AIG restructuring and the placement of the U.S. government-sponsored enterprises Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac into conservatorship in 2008. Prior to joining Morgan Stanley, Mr. Juhas was an attorney in the Mergers and Acquisitions group at Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, the New York law firm. Mr. Juhas received his A.B. from Harvard College and his J.D. from Harvard Law School.

**Philip Scruggs.** Mr. Scruggs assumed the position of President and Chief Commercial Officer of AerCap in May 2014, previously serving in the role of Executive Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer at ILFC, where he had a 20-year career. Mr. Scruggs oversees AerCap's worldwide leasing business, including the marketing, pricing, credit, and commercial execution. Prior to joining ILFC, Mr. Scruggs was an attorney at the Los Angeles-based law firm Paul, Hastings, Janofsky and Walker, where he specialized in leasing and asset-based finance. Mr. Scruggs received his B.A. from the University of California, Berkeley, and his J.D. from The George Washington University. Mr. Scruggs is an instrument rated private pilot.

**Peter Anderson.** Mr. Anderson assumed the position of Head of Asia Pacific in May 2014 following the acquisition of ILFC by AerCap. In December 2018, he took on additional responsibility for EMEA. In his role Mr. Anderson is responsible for AerCap's leasing activities across APAC and EMEA. Prior to joining AerCap he worked in the leasing team at ILFC where he set up ILFC's Asia Pacific office in 2012. Mr. Anderson worked in the leasing team at Hong Kong Aviation Capital and prior to that at Allco Finance Group in both Sydney and London, specializing in aircraft leasing and structured finance. Mr. Anderson earned his Master of Applied Finance and Investment from the Securities Institute of Australia, and his B.A. from the University of Technology Sydney.

**Brian Canniffe.** Mr. Canniffe was appointed Group Treasurer of AerCap in January 2018, previously serving as Head of Investor Relations since joining the Company in October 2016. He has over 20 years' experience in banking, lending and the capital markets. Prior to joining AerCap, Mr. Canniffe served as Managing Director and Head of Global Markets Financing for Bank of America Merrill Lynch in Hong Kong and Tokyo, where he led a division that was responsible for providing secured financing, trading, clearing, reporting and various treasury functions in the Asia Pacific region. In addition, he held roles within the financing divisions at Nomura Securities and Bankers Trust International.

**Anton Joiner.** Mr. Joiner was appointed Chief Risk Officer in 2011 with responsibility for portfolio risk management, workouts, repossessions and debtor management. He joined AerCap in 2001 and held a variety of positions. Prior to joining AerCap, Mr. Joiner held positions with Scotia Capital, Commercial Aviation Group and Hunting Cargo Airlines. He has a Master's degree in Air Transport Management from Cranfield College of Aeronautics.

*Vincent Drouillard.* Mr. Drouillard was appointed General Counsel on June 1, 2018. He previously served in the role of Head of Legal Leasing at AerCap, a position he held from 2015 to 2018. He joined ILFC in 2004 and last served as Head of Legal EMEA, prior to the acquisition of ILFC by AerCap. Before joining ILFC, Mr. Drouillard practiced law at the law firm Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher. He received law degrees from King's College London, the University of Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne and the University of Paris X Nanterre. Mr. Drouillard is a member of the New York State Bar and the State Bar of California.

*Jorg Koletzki.* Mr. Koletzki was appointed Chief Information Officer of AerCap in September 2015. He has significant experience in managing complex system implementations on a global scale, transforming IT functions and running high quality teams. His experience extends to working within large multinational companies including IBM, Volkswagen, National Grid and E.ON.

Tom Kelly. Mr. Kelly was appointed Chief Executive Officer of AerCap Ireland in 2010. Mr. Kelly previously served as Chief Financial Officer of AerCap's Irish operations and has a substantial aircraft leasing and financial services background. Previously, Mr. Kelly spent ten years with GECAS where his last roles were as Chief Financial Officer and director of GE Capital Aviation Services (GECAS) Limited, GECAS's Irish operation. Mr. Kelly also served as global controller for GECAS in his role as Senior Vice President & Controller. Prior to joining GECAS in 1997, Mr. Kelly spent over eight years with KPMG in their London office, as Senior Manager in their financial services practice. Mr. Kelly is a Chartered Accountant and holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from University College, Dublin.

**Bart Lightart.** Mr. Lightart joined the AerCap Trading team in 2007. He was appointed to the position of Head of Trading and Portfolio Management in 2018. Mr. Lightart has 11 years' experience in aircraft trading and portfolio management in both wide and narrow body aircraft. Prior to joining AerCap he worked at Deloitte and Touche in Amsterdam where he served as Manager Transactions Services. Mr. Lightart received his B.A in Commercial Economics from Inholland University, and his MSc in Finance Management from Nyenrode Business University.

**Theresa Murray.** Ms. Murray was appointed Head of Human Resources in October 2016. She has over 25 years' experience across all HR disciplines. Prior to joining AerCap she held the position of International HR Director at Nuance Communications. Throughout her career she has held a variety of HR and management roles including senior positions at Telefonica and Lucent Technologies.

*Martin Olson.* Mr. Olson assumed the position of Head of OEM Relations following the acquisition of ILFC by AerCap. He previously served in the role of Senior Vice President at ILFC. Mr. Olson heads AerCap's OEM Relations Department, responsible for purchasing new aircraft and engines. He joined ILFC in 1995 after ten years with McDonnell Douglas Aircraft Corporation. Mr. Olson is a graduate of California State University, Fullerton. He holds a Master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Southern California.

*Joe Venuto.* Mr. Venuto was appointed Chief Technical Officer of AerCap in February 2012. He previously served in the role of Senior Vice President Operations for the Americas at AerCap for four years. From 2004 to 2008, he held the role of Senior Vice President Operations at AeroTurbine, responsible for all technical issues. Prior to joining AeroTurbine, Mr. Venuto held the role of Senior Director Maintenance at several airlines including Trump Shuttle, Laker Airways and Amerijet International. He has over 30 years' experience in the aviation industry and he commenced his aviation career as an Airplane and Powerplant technician for Eastern Airlines. Mr. Venuto is a graduate of the College of Aeronautics and a licensed FAA Airframe and Powerplant Technician.

## Officer compensation

The aircraft leasing business is highly competitive. As a global leader in aircraft leasing, we seek to attract and retain the most talented and successful officers to manage our business and to motivate them with appropriate incentives to execute our strategy and to promote and encourage continued superior performance over a prolonged period of time, in support of achieving the objectives of long-term value creation and appropriate risk-taking. We have designed our compensation plans to meet these objectives.

Compensation goal	How goal is accomplished				
Attract and retain leading executive talent	Design compensation elements to enable us to compete effectively for executive talent				
	• Selectively retain executives acquired through business transactions considering industry and functional knowledge, leadership abilities and fit with Company culture				
	• Perform market analysis to stay informed of compensation trends and practices				
Align executive pay with shareholder interests	Concentrate executive pay heavily in equity compensation				
	Require robust equity ownership and retention				
	• Motivate senior executives with meaningful incentives to generate long-term returns				
Pay for performance	• Pay annual bonuses based on performance against one-year budgeted target set by the Nomination and Compensation Committee				
	Reward long-term growth and value creation				
	• Tie long-term incentive program awards to the achievement of multi-year earnings per share targets set by the Nomination and Compensation Committee				
	<ul> <li>Reward high-performers with above-target pay when predetermined goals are exceeded</li> </ul>				
Manage risk	• Prohibit hedging of Company securities and pledging of AerCap equity prior to vesting				
	• Emphasize long-term performance by designing equity award opportunities to minimize short-term focus and influence on compensation payouts				
	• Subject the executive director's incentive compensation to clawback provisions under Dutch law				

The compensation packages of our Group Executive Committee members (other than our Chief Executive Officer) and certain other officers, consisting of base salary, annual bonus and, for some officers, annual stock bonus, along with other benefits, are determined by the Nomination and Compensation Committee upon the recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer (other than with respect to his own compensation) on an annual basis. In addition, upon the recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer (other than with respect to his own equity awards), the Nomination and Compensation Committee may grant long-term equity incentive awards to our officers on a non-recurring basis under our equity incentive plans, as further outlined below. The compensation package of our Chief Executive Officer, consisting of base salary, annual bonus, annual stock bonus and a long-term equity incentive award, along with other benefits, is determined by the Board of Directors, upon recommendation of the Nomination and Compensation Committee, in accordance with the remuneration policy approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders.

The amount of the annual bonus and, if applicable, the amount of the annual stock bonus granted to our Group Executive Committee members and other participating officers are determined by the Nomination and Compensation Committee (or, in the case of our Chief Executive Officer, the Board of Directors, upon recommendation of the Nomination and Compensation Committee) based on the Company's performance relative to the U.S. GAAP EPS budget for the relevant year and the personal performance of the individual Group Executive Committee member or other officer involved. The Company's U.S. GAAP EPS budget and target bonus levels are determined before the beginning of the relevant year. The actual annual bonus amounts and the actual annual stock bonuses are determined and paid or granted, as the case may be, after the end of the relevant year. As a matter of policy, actual bonus amounts will be below target level in years that the EPS target is not met, unless specific circumstances require otherwise which, if any, will be disclosed in this Annual Report. The annual stock bonuses vest after three years or, if earlier, at the end of the officer's employment term.

Our long-term equity incentive program is designed to retain our most talented and successful officers and to incentivize continued superior performance, in accordance with the Company's long-term objectives, for the benefit of our shareholders and other stakeholders. The majority of the long-term equity awards have vesting periods ranging between three years and five years, and the vesting of 66.67% of each award is conditional upon the achievement of the Company's U.S. GAAP EPS budget over the multi-year vesting period, as determined by the Board of Directors at the beginning of the vesting period (33.33% of each award is subject to time-based vesting). The awards will cliff vest, subject to meeting the vesting conditions, at the end of the vesting period, i.e., there will be no vesting in the interim, and all shares will remain at risk until the end of the vesting period. If the EPS target is not met, then none or only a portion of the performance-based shares will vest, with the remaining performance-based shares being forfeited. None of the performance-based shares will vest, as specified in the award agreements, if between 84.5% and 100% of the EPS target is met, and all performance-based shares will vest if the EPS target is met or exceeded. In the event of a change of control of the Company, the shares will immediately vest. We believe that the design of our long-term equity incentive program promotes and encourages continued superior performance over a prolonged period of time in support of achieving the objectives of long-term value creation and appropriate risk-taking.

Severance payments are part of the employment agreements with some of our Group Executive Committee members. The amount of the pre-agreed severance is based upon calculations in accordance with their respective age and years of service.

The Company is subject to the Netherlands' Clawback of Bonuses Act. Pursuant to this legislation, bonuses paid to the executive director (and other directors, as defined under the articles of association, provided they are in charge of day-to-day management) may be clawed back if awarded on the basis of incorrect information. In addition, any bonus that has been awarded to the executive director (and other directors, as defined under the articles of association, provided they are in charge of day-to-day management) may be reduced if, under the circumstances, payment of the bonus would be unacceptable. As of December 31, 2018, we did not have any directors other than the executive director who were in charge of day-to-day management.

#### AerCap equity incentive plans

Under our equity incentive plans, we have granted restricted stock units, restricted stock and stock options, to directors, officers and employees to attract and retain them on competitive terms, and to incentivize superior performance with a view to creating long-term value for the benefit of the Company, its shareholders and other stakeholders.

We require our Group Executive Committee members to own Company ordinary shares having a value equal to at least five times their annual base salary (ten times in the case of the Chief Executive Officer), in order to further align their interests with the long-term interests of our shareholders. This threshold amount includes ordinary shares owned outright, vested stock-based equity awards, time-based restricted stock and time-based restricted stock units, whether or not vested, and any stock-based equity that the executive has elected to defer. New Group Executive Committee members have a five year grace period to meet this threshold. In addition, each Group Executive Committee member is required to hold, post vesting, 25% of the net shares (50% for our Chief Executive Officer) (after satisfaction of any exercise price or tax withholding obligations), delivered to him or her pursuant to Company equity awards since January 1, 2007, for so long as such member remains employed by the Company (or, if earlier, until such member reaches 65 years of age). Sales of Company ordinary shares are conducted with a view to avoiding undue impact on the Company ordinary share price and in compliance with laws and regulations. Each executive must consult with the Chairman before executing any sale of the Company's ordinary shares.

Our policies prohibit our directors, officers and employees from trading in Company securities on the basis of material non-public information, or engaging in hedging and other "short" transactions involving Company securities. In addition, our directors, officers and employees are prohibited from pledging equity incentive awards prior to vesting.

Please refer to Note 19—*Personnel expenses* to our Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report for more details on our equity incentive plans.

#### **External auditors**

Our external auditor is responsible for auditing the financial statements. Following the recommendation by the Audit Committee and upon proposal by the Board of Directors, the General Meeting of Shareholders appoints each year the auditor to audit the financial statements of the current financial year. The external auditor reports to our Board of Directors and the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors. The external auditor is present at the meetings of the Audit Committee when our quarterly and annual results are discussed.

At the request of the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee, the Chief Financial Officer and the Internal Audit department review, in advance, each service to be provided by the auditor to identify any possible breaches of the auditor's independence. The Audit Committee pre-approves every engagement of our external auditor. In accordance with applicable regulations, the partner of the external audit firm and senior engagement team members in charge of the audit activities are subject to rotation requirements.

## **Internal auditors**

We have an internal audit function in place to provide assurance to the Audit Committee, on behalf of the Board of Directors, and to AerCap's executive officers, with respect to AerCap's key processes. The internal audit function independently and objectively carries out audit assignments in accordance with the annual internal audit plan, as approved by the Audit Committee. The head of the internal audit function reports, in line with professional standards of the Institute of Internal Auditors, to the Audit Committee (functional reporting line) and to our Chief Executive Officer (administrative reporting line). The work of the internal audit department is fully endorsed by the Audit Committee and AerCap's executive officers and is considered a valuable part of AerCap's system of control and risk management.

## Ordinary share capital

Pursuant to our articles of association, our ordinary shares may only be held in registered form. All of our ordinary shares are registered in a register kept by us or on our behalf by our transfer agent. Transfer of registered shares requires a written deed of transfer and the acknowledgment by AerCap, subject to provisions stemming from private international law. Our ordinary shares are, in general, freely transferable.

## Regulatory obligations regarding certain share transactions

Cash Manager Limited, which is a member of AerCap, is subject to regulation by the Central Bank of Ireland. As a result, the acquisition or disposal directly or indirectly of interests in AerCap shares or similar interests may be subject to regulatory requirements involving the Central Bank of Ireland as set out below. The following disclosure is for information purposes only and AerCap cannot provide Irish legal advice to actual or potential investors. Actual or potential investors in AerCap must obtain their own legal advice in relation to their position.

Under the European Union (Markets in Financial Instruments) Regulations 2017 (as amended) (the "MiFID II Regulations"), a person or a group of persons acting in concert proposing to acquire a direct or indirect holding of ordinary shares or other similar interests in AerCap must give the Central Bank of Ireland prior written notice of such proposed acquisition if the acquisition would directly or indirectly (i) represent 10% or more of the capital or voting rights in AerCap; (ii) result in the proportion of capital or voting rights in AerCap held by such person or persons reaching or exceeding 10%, 20%, 33% or 50% of the capital or voting rights in AerCap; or (iii) in the opinion of the Central Bank of Ireland, make it possible for that person or those persons to control or exercise a significant influence over the management of Cash Manager Limited. Any such proposed acquisition shall not proceed until (a) the Central Bank of Ireland has informed such proposed acquirer or acquirers that it approves such acquisition or (b) the period prescribed in Regulation 21 of the MiFID II Regulations has elapsed without the Central Bank of Ireland having given notice in writing that it opposes such acquisition. It is important in this regard to note that the validity as a matter of Irish law of affected transactions, if completed without prior notification to, or assessment by, the Central Bank of Ireland will not be recognized in Ireland. Corresponding provisions apply to the disposal of direct and indirect shareholdings in AerCap except that, in such case, no approval is required, but prior notice of the disposal must be given to the Central Bank of Ireland. Cash Manager Limited is required under the MiFID II Regulations to notify the Central Bank of Ireland of relevant acquisitions and/or disposals of which it becomes aware.

## Issuance of ordinary shares

The General Meeting of Shareholders can resolve upon the issuance of ordinary shares or the granting of rights to subscribe for ordinary shares, but only upon a proposal by the Board of Directors specifying the price and further terms and conditions. The General Meeting of Shareholders may designate our Board of Directors as the authorized corporate body for this purpose. Such designation may be for any period of up to five years and must specify the maximum number of ordinary shares that may be issued.

At the AGM held in 2018, our shareholders resolved to authorize the Board of Directors, for a period of 18 months, to issue ordinary shares or grant rights to subscribe for ordinary shares (i) up to ten percent of the Company's issued share capital; and (ii) up to an additional ten percent of the Company's issued share capital, provided that the shares that may be issued and rights that may be granted pursuant to this second authorization may only be used for mergers and/or the acquisition of a business or a company.

These resolutions together authorize the Board of Directors to issue ordinary shares, and grant rights to subscribe for such shares, up to a maximum of 20% of the Company's issued share capital, subject to the conditions described in these resolutions.

## Preemptive rights

Unless limited or excluded by the General Meeting of Shareholders or Board of Directors as described below, holders of ordinary shares have a pro rata preemptive right to subscribe for ordinary shares that we issue, except for ordinary shares issued for non-cash consideration (contribution in kind) or ordinary shares issued to our employees.

The General Meeting of Shareholders may limit or exclude preemptive rights and also designate our Board of Directors as the authorized corporate body for this purpose. At the AGM held in 2018, our shareholders resolved to authorize the Board of Directors to limit or exclude preemptive rights in respect of any issuance of shares or granting of rights to subscribe for shares pursuant to the authorizations described above in the paragraph Issuance of ordinary shares, which authorization is valid for a period of 18 months.

## Repurchase of our ordinary shares

We may acquire our ordinary shares, subject to certain provisions of the laws of the Netherlands and of our articles of association, if the following conditions are met:

- the General Meeting of Shareholders has authorized our Board of Directors to acquire the ordinary shares, which authorization may be valid for no more than 18 months;
- our equity, after deduction of the price of acquisition, is not less than the sum of the paid-in and called-up portion of the share capital and the reserves that the laws of the Netherlands or our articles of association require us to maintain; and
- we would not hold after such purchase, or hold as pledgee, ordinary shares with an aggregate par value exceeding such part of our issued share capital as set by law from time to time.

At the AGM held in 2018, our shareholders resolved to authorize the Board of Directors for a period of 18 months (i) to repurchase ordinary shares up to ten percent of the Company's issued share capital; and (ii) to repurchase ordinary shares up to an additional ten percent of the Company's issued share capital, subject to the condition that the number of ordinary shares which the Company may at any time hold in its own capital will not exceed ten percent of the Company's issued share capital, and certain other conditions described in these resolutions.

## Capital reduction and cancellation

The General Meeting of Shareholders may reduce our issued share capital either by cancelling ordinary shares held in treasury or by amending our articles of association to reduce the par value of the ordinary shares. A resolution to reduce our capital requires the approval of at least an absolute majority of the votes cast and, if less than one half of the share capital is represented at a meeting at which a vote is taken, the approval of at least two-thirds of the votes cast.

At the AGM held in 2018, our shareholders resolved to cancel the Company's ordinary shares that may be acquired under the repurchase authorizations described above or otherwise, subject to determination by our Board of Directors or our Chief Executive Officer, of the exact number of ordinary shares to be cancelled. During 2018, we cancelled 16,000,000 ordinary shares which were acquired through the share repurchase programs in accordance with the authorizations obtained from the Company's shareholders.

## General Meetings of Shareholders

Our articles of association determine how our AGM and any extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders are convoked. At least one AGM must be held every year. Shareholders can exercise their voting rights by submitting their proxy forms or equivalent means prior to a set date in accordance with the procedures indicated in the notice and agenda of the applicable general meeting of shareholders. Shareholders may exercise their meeting rights in person after notifying us prior to a set date and providing us with appropriate evidence of ownership of the shares and authority to vote prior to a set date in accordance with the procedures indicated in the notice and agenda of the applicable general meeting of shareholders.

The rights of shareholders may only be changed by amending our articles of association. A resolution to amend our articles of association is valid if the Board of Directors makes a proposal amending the articles of association and such proposal is adopted by a simple majority of votes cast.

The following resolutions require a two thirds majority vote if less than half of the issued share capital is present or represented at the general meeting of shareholders:

- capital reduction;
- exclusion or restriction of preemptive rights, or designation of the Board of Directors as the authorized corporate body for this purpose; and
- legal merger or legal demerger within the meaning of Title 7 of Book 2 of The Dutch Civil Code ("Boek 2 van het Burgerlijk Wetboek").

If a proposal to amend the articles of association will be considered at the meeting, we will make available a copy of that proposal, in which the proposed amendments will be stated verbatim.

An agreement of AerCap to enter into a (i) statutory merger whereby AerCap is the acquiring entity; or (ii) a legal demerger, with certain limited exceptions, must be approved by the shareholders.

The AGM was held on April 25, 2018. The AGM adopted the 2017 annual accounts and voted for all other items which required a vote.

## Voting rights

Each ordinary share represents the right to cast one vote at a general meeting of shareholders. All resolutions must be passed with an absolute majority of the votes validly cast except as set forth above. We are not allowed to exercise voting rights for ordinary shares we hold directly or indirectly.

Any major change in the identity or character of AerCap or its business must be approved by our shareholders, including:

- the sale or transfer of substantially all our business or assets;
- the commencement or termination of certain major joint ventures and our participation as a general partner with full liability in a limited partnership ("commanditaire vennootschap") or general partnership ("vennootschap onder firma"); and
- the acquisition or disposal by us of a participating interest in a company's share capital, the value of which amounts to at least one third of the value of our assets.

## Liquidation rights

If we are dissolved or wound up, the assets remaining after payment of our liabilities will be first applied to pay back the amounts paid up on the ordinary shares. Any remaining assets will be distributed among our shareholders, in proportion to the par value of their shareholdings. All distributions referred to in this paragraph shall be made in accordance with the relevant provisions of the laws of the Netherlands.

## **Dutch statutory squeeze-out proceedings**

If a person or a company or two or more group companies within the meaning of Article 2:24b of the Dutch Civil Code acting in concert holds in total 95% of a Dutch public limited liability company's issued share capital by par value for their own account, the laws of the Netherlands permit that person or company or those group companies acting in concert to acquire the remaining ordinary shares in the company by initiating statutory squeeze out proceedings against the holders of the remaining shares. The price to be paid for such shares will be determined by the Enterprise Chamber of the Amsterdam Court of Appeal.

## Adoption of annual accounts and discharge of management liability

Each year, our Board of Directors must prepare annual accounts within four months after the end of our financial year. The annual accounts must be made available for inspection by shareholders at our offices from the moment that our annual general meeting of shareholders is convened. The annual accounts must be accompanied by an auditor's certificate, a report of the Board of Directors and certain other mandatory information. The shareholders shall appoint an accountant, as referred to in Article 393 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code, to audit the annual accounts. The annual accounts are adopted by our shareholders.

The adoption of the annual accounts by our shareholders does not release the members of our Board of Directors from liability for acts reflected in those documents. Any such release from liability requires a separate shareholders' resolution.

## Registrar and transfer agent

A register of holders of the ordinary shares will be maintained by Broadridge in the United States who also serves as our transfer agent. The telephone number of Broadridge is 1-800-733-1121.

#### **Protective measures**

There are no protective devices against takeovers in place.

## **Dutch Corporate Governance Code**

The Code contains principles and best practices for Dutch companies with publicly listed shares, and requires companies to either comply with the best practice provisions of the Code or to explain why they deviate from these best practice provisions. For further information and the full text of the Code please refer to: <a href="https://www.commissiecorporategovernance.nl">www.commissiecorporategovernance.nl</a>. AerCap is committed to good corporate governance. As such, AerCap complies with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and certain corporate governance requirements and best practices set out by the NYSE and the SEC. In addition, AerCap complies with applicable principles and best practice provisions of the Code, which are based on a "comply or explain" principle, except for the following:

- Best practice provision 2.3.2 and 2.3.4. The Code requires the Board to have three committees: an audit committee, a remuneration committee and a selection and appointment committee. For efficiency reasons, including the fact that we have only one executive director, we have combined the functions of the remuneration committee with those of the selection and appointment committee into one Nomination and Compensation Committee. Under the Code, the Chairman of the Board shall not chair the remuneration committee; he may, however, chair the selection and appointment committee. Given that we have combined both committees and also having regard to the fact that the Chairman of the Board is very familiar with international executive compensation, we believe that the Chairman of the Board is the best person to chair our Nomination and Compensation Committee.
- Best practice provision 2.1.7 section iii. and 2.1.8 section vii. Two of our non-executive directors (out of a total of nine) are affiliated with Waha. However, we believe the current composition of the Board enables it to operate effectively and independently, also considering the fact that the non-executive directors are carefully selected based upon their combined experience and expertise.
- Best practice provision 4.3.3. This provision was not applied by the Company in so far as it deals with the lifting of quorum requirements related to proposed directors' dismissals, due to the fact that it is written for general meetings with a high degree of absenteeism, whereas absenteeism at the Company's shareholders' meetings is relatively low.
- Best practice provision 3.3.2. Although strictly not in line with the best practice provisions of the Code, we believe that the equity awards to our non-executive directors, as set forth in these annual accounts, are an effective means to further complement our non-executive directors' remuneration in accordance with the conducted market compensation analysis, whereas they do not go against the spirit of the corresponding provision in the Code. None of the equity awards to our non-executive directors are subject to performance-based vesting criteria. In addition, it should be noted that granting equity awards to non-executive directors is consistent with corporate practice in the United States, the jurisdiction where our shares are publicly listed which, to a certain extent, drives our corporate governance in addition to Dutch corporate governance rules.

#### **Remuneration Report**

This Remuneration Report is based on the remuneration policy for members of our Board of Directors, as adopted by the General Meeting of Shareholders on May 2, 2013. The remuneration policy is posted on our website.

## Remuneration Policy

The objective of our remuneration policy is to recruit and retain highly qualified members of our Board of Directors, who possess the required core competencies, professional backgrounds and skill sets in line with the global nature and identity of the Company and its business in support of the objective of long-term value creation. The remuneration policy is determined by the General Meeting of Shareholders upon proposal by the Board of Directors. The remuneration of directors is determined by our Board of Directors in accordance with the general remuneration policy upon proposal by the Nomination and Compensation Committee.

Our Equity Incentive Plan 2014, which was approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders on February 13, 2014, provides for the grant of equity awards in the form of shares, share options, restricted stocks, restricted stock units or other equity instruments to our directors and other potential participants. The Equity Incentive Plan 2014 states the maximum number of shares, stock options, restricted stocks, restricted stock units or other equity instruments available under the plan and the criteria that apply to the granting or altering of such arrangements.

For further details regarding the remuneration of our directors, reference is made to the remuneration policy as referred to above (available on our website), to the paragraph AerCap equity incentive plans earlier in this Annual Report, to Note 19—

Personnel expenses to our Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report and to Note 28—Directors' remuneration to our Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report.

## Executive director

The compensation package for Mr. Aengus Kelly, our only executive director, was determined in 2014, concurrent with his re-appointment as executive director and following approval by the general meeting of shareholders, taking into consideration comparable compensation packages for chief executive officers of companies of similar size and profitability in the aircraft leasing industry and other relevant industries, scenario analyses, and other relevant benchmarks.

During 2018, we paid Mr. Kelly a total remuneration of approximately \$2.6 million, consisting of an annual base salary of approximately \$1.0 million, an annual cash bonus of approximately \$1.3 million, which is based on specific targets that were met, and approximately \$0.3 million as contributions to his defined benefit pension plan and other employment benefits. In addition, during 2018, we recognized \$34.6 million of expenses related to AerCap equity awards that were granted to him in 2018 and prior years. Mr. Kelly's annual cash bonus and annual stock bonus are paid in arrears. The bonus actual amounts are determined by the Board of Directors, upon recommendation of the Nomination and Compensation Committee, based on the Company's performance relative to the U.S. GAAP EPS budget for the relevant year and Mr. Kelly's personal performance during that year. The Company's U.S. GAAP EPS budget is determined by the Board of Directors before the beginning of the relevant year. As a matter of policy, the actual bonuses will be below target bonus level in years that our EPS target is not met, unless specific circumstances require otherwise which, if any, will be disclosed in this Annual Report. The annual stock bonus vests after three years, or if earlier, the end of his employment term. We believe that the ratio of fixed and variable/incentive compensation is reasonable and provides an appropriate level of incentive compensation to promote the achievement of the Company's objectives.

In addition, Mr. Kelly participates in the Company's long-term equity incentive scheme. As noted, the long-term incentive program is designed to retain our most talented and successful officers and to encourage continued superior performance for the benefit of the Company and its shareholders and other stakeholders. Mr. Kelly's current long-term equity award has a five year vesting period (four years for a portion of the award). The vesting of 66.67% of the award is conditional upon the achievement of the Company's U.S. GAAP EPS budget over the vesting period, as determined by the Board of Directors at the beginning of the vesting period (the vesting of 33.33% of the award is subject to time-based vesting). The award will cliff vest, subject to meeting the vesting conditions, at the end of the respective vesting period, i.e., there will be no vesting in the interim, and all shares will remain at risk until the end of the respective vesting period. If the EPS target is not met, then none or only a portion of the performance-based shares will vest, with the remaining shares being forfeited. None of the performance-based shares will vest if 84.5% or less of the EPS target is met, which indicates the stringency of the award. A portion of the performance-based shares will vest, as specified in the award agreement, if between 84.5% and 100% of the EPS target is met, and all performance-based shares will vest if the EPS target is met or exceeded. In the event of a change of control of the Company, the shares will immediately vest. We believe that the design of Mr. Kelly's long-term equity award promotes and encourages good performance over a prolonged period of time in support of the objectives of long-term value creation and appropriate risk-taking.

The table below indicates the equity awards the Company granted to Mr. Kelly and his equity awards that vested in 2018:

	2018 Granted	2018 Vested
Aengus Kelly (CEO)	1,281,502 (a)	1,074,078 (b)

<sup>(</sup>a) Grant of 1,626,906 shares of restricted stock, of which 345,404 were withheld to pay taxes incurred by Mr. Kelly in connection with the grant.

The table below indicates the years in which Mr. Kelly's equity awards in the form of restricted stock held as of December 31, 2018, are due to vest, subject to meeting the applicable vesting criteria:

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Aengus Kelly (CEO)	571,455		18,345	842,105	421,052

As noted, Mr. Kelly is required to own Company ordinary shares having a value equal to at least ten times his annual base salary, in order to further align his interests with the long-term interests of our shareholders. This threshold amount includes ordinary shares owned outright, vested stock-based equity awards, time-based restricted stock and time-based restricted stock units, whether or not vested, and any stock-based equity that Mr. Kelly has elected to defer. In addition, Mr. Kelly is required to hold, post vesting, 50% of the net shares (after satisfaction of any exercise price or tax withholding obligations) delivered to him pursuant to Company equity awards since January 1, 2007, for so long as he remains employed by the Company (or, if earlier, until he reaches 65 years of age). Sales of Company ordinary shares are conducted with a view to avoiding undue impact on the Company ordinary share price and in compliance with laws and regulations. Prior consultation with the Chairman is required before executing any sale of the Company's ordinary shares.

Mr. Kelly's employment contract expires on the day following the 2023 AGM, scheduled to be held in April or May 2023. His employment contract includes a severance clause with a pre-agreed severance amount, which is deemed reasonable in view of his long term employment history with the Company. The severance will be paid in the event that his employment is not renewed at expiration or is terminated without cause or in case of voluntarily leaving for good reason (as such terms are defined in the employment agreement).

As noted, the Company is subject to the Netherlands' Clawback of Bonuses Act. Pursuant to this legislation, bonuses paid to the executive director (and other directors, as defined under the articles of association, provided they are in charge of day to day management) may be clawed back if awarded on the basis of incorrect information. In addition, any bonus that has been awarded to the executive director (and other directors, as defined under the articles of association, provided they are in charge of day to day management) may be reduced if, under the circumstances, payment of the bonus would be unacceptable. As of December 31, 2018, we did not have any directors other than the executive director who were in charge of day to day management.

#### Pay ratio

The pay ratio of our Chief Executive Officer's cash compensation compared with the cash compensation of the median employee is 17:1 (2017: 18:1).

## Non-executive directors

We currently pay each non-executive director an annual fee of  $\in$ 95,000 ( $\in$ 200,000 for the Chairman of our Board of Directors and  $\in$ 115,000 for the Vice Chairman) and pay each of these directors an additional  $\in$ 4,000 per meeting attended in person or  $\in$ 1,000 per meeting attended by phone. In addition, we pay the chair of the Audit Committee an annual fee of  $\in$ 25,000 and each Audit Committee member an annual fee of  $\in$ 15,000 and a fee of  $\in$ 4,000 per committee meeting attended in person or  $\in$ 1,000 per committee, the Group Treasury and Accounting Committee and the Group Portfolio and Investment Committee an annual fee of  $\in$ 15,000 and each such committee member an annual fee of  $\in$ 10,000 and a fee of  $\in$ 4,000 per committee meeting attended in person or  $\in$ 1,000 per committee meeting attended by phone.

<sup>(</sup>b) Vesting of shares of restricted stock.

In addition, our non-executive directors receive an annual equity award as provided for in AerCap's remuneration policy for members of the Board of Directors and in accordance with the terms of the Equity Incentive Plan 2014. The size of the annual equity award to our non-executive directors increased, effective as of December 31, 2015, following a market compensation analysis conducted by an independent benefits advisory firm and in accordance with the terms of the Equity Incentive Plan 2014. As of December 31, 2018, our non-executive directors held 40,315 restricted stock units and options to acquire a total of 9,682 AerCap ordinary shares (our non-executive directors did not hold any shares of restricted stock as of December 31, 2018); these equity awards have been granted under the AerCap equity incentive plans, as further described below. All members of the Board of Directors are reimbursed for reasonable costs and expenses incurred in attending meetings of our Board of Directors.

The table below indicates the total remuneration paid to our non-executive directors during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, and the share-based compensation expense recognized in those years related to AerCap equity instruments that were granted to the non-executive directors in 2018 and prior years:

		Year Ended December 31,					
	-	2018	2017				
	Remuneration paid	Share-based compensation expense	Remuneration paid	Share-based compensation expense			
		(U.S. Dollars	in thousands)				
Pieter Korteweg	\$ 305	\$ 409	\$ 292	\$ 333			
Salem Al Noaimi	160	118	181	145			
Homaid Al Shimmari	120	_	118	_			
Julian (Brad) Branch	138	<del></del>	<del></del>	<u>—</u>			
James (Jim) Chapman	67	207	211	248			
Paul Dacier	197	211	191	173			
Richard (Michael) Gradon	181	243	173	196			
Marius Jonkhart	66	178	202	213			
James (Jim) Lawrence	196	60	109				
Michael Walsh	200	40	102				
Robert (Bob) Warden	198	162	191	133			
	\$ 1,828	\$ 1,628	\$ 1,770	\$ 1,441			

## AerCap equity incentive plans

Please refer to AerCap equity incentive plans earlier in this Annual Report, and to Note 19—*Personnel expenses* to our Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report for more details on our equity incentive plans.

Dublin, March 8, 2019

Pieter Korteweg

Aengus Kelly

Salem Al Noaimi

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Julian (Brad) Branch

Paul Dacier

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James (Jim) Lawrence

Michael Walsh

Robert (Bob) Warden

## **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

# As of December 31, 2018 and 2017

		As of December 31,		
	Note	2018	2017	
		(U.S. Dollars	in thousands)	
ASSETS				
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Fixed assets				
Intangible fixed assets				
Maintenance rights and lease premium, net	4	\$ 1,113,190	\$ 1,501,858	
Other intangibles, net	4	335,387	367,575	
Total intangible fixed assets	·	1,448,577	1,869,433	
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Tangible fixed assets				
Flight equipment held for operating leases, net	5	35,135,477	32,938,294	
Prepayments on flight equipment	26	3,024,520	2,930,303	
Other tangible fixed assets, net		29,151	31,114	
Total tangible fixed assets		38,189,148	35,899,711	
Financial fixed assets				
Net investment in finance and sales-type leases	6	1,003,286	995,689	
Deferred income tax assets	22	173,526	189,520	
Other financial fixed assets	7, 8, 9	484,962	405,312	
Total financial fixed assets		1,661,774	1,590,521	
Total fixed assets		41,299,499	39,359,665	
Current assets				
Receivables				
Trade receivables		40,379	73,877	
Other receivables	10	367,748	511,967	
Total receivables		408,127	585,844	
Cash				
Cash and cash equivalents		1,204,018	1,659,669	
Restricted cash	11	211,017	364,456	
Total cash	11	1,415,035	2,024,125	
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Total current assets		1,823,162	2,609,969	
Total Assets		\$ 43,122,661	\$ 41,969,634	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.

# **Consolidated Balance Sheets (Continued)**

# As of December 31, 2018 and 2017

		As of Dec	ember 31,	
	Note	2018	2017	
		(U.S. Dollars in thousands)		
GROUP EQUITY AND LIABILITIES				
Group equity				
Total AerCap Holdings N.V. shareholders' equity	12	\$ 8,312,432	\$ 8,162,452	
Non-controlling interest	12	52,566	59,104	
Total group equity		8,364,998	8,221,556	
Provisions				
Deferred income tax liabilities	22	740,371	621,345	
Total provisions		740,371	621,345	
Liabilities				
Debt	13	29,480,258	28,389,202	
Accrued maintenance liability	14	2,751,311	2,882,626	
Lessee deposit liability		768,677	827,470	
Negative goodwill		7,101	10,061	
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	15	1,009,945	1,017,374	
Total liabilities		34,017,292	33,126,733	
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<b>Total Group Equity and Liabilities</b>		\$ 43,122,661	\$ 41,969,634	
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## **Consolidated Income Statements**

# For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

		Year Ended December 31,				
	Note		2018 2017			
		(	U.S. Dollars in t share and pe	hous r sha	nousands, except share data)	
Revenues and other income						
Lease revenue	16, 17	\$	4,617,627	\$	4,736,776	
Net gain on sale of assets			274,647		321,333	
Other income	18		26,507		69,966	
Total revenues and other income			4,918,781		5,128,075	
Expenses						
Leasing expenses			(659,103)		(663,689)	
Personnel expenses	19		(227,870)		(264,445)	
Depreciation and amortization	4, 5		(1,702,955)		(1,752,584)	
Asset impairment, net	20		(67,950)		(83,747)	
Other expenses	21		(77,356)		(98,451)	
Total expenses			(2,735,234)		(2,862,916)	
Operating profit			2,183,547		2,265,159	
Financial income			35,057		24,632	
Financial expense	13		(1,174,074)		(1,112,391)	
Profit before taxes			1,044,530		1,177,400	
Income taxes	22		(134,793)		(160,945)	
Result from participations	8		10,643	_	9,199	
Group profit			920,380		1,025,654	
Result non-controlling interest	12		(1,865)		(4,202)	
Net income attributable to equity holders of AerCap Holdings N.V.		<u> </u>	918,515	<u> </u>	1,021,452	
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Basic earnings per share	23	\$	6.33	\$	6.34	
Diluted earnings per share	23	\$	6.18	\$	6.11	
Weighted average shares outstanding - basic			145,162,220	1	61,059,552	
Weighted average shares outstanding - diluted			148,706,266	1	67,287,508	

# AerCap Holdings N.V. and Subsidiaries Statement of Total Results of the Group For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2018		2017	
	(U.S. Dollars in thousands)			ousands)
Group profit	\$	920,380	\$	1,025,654
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Net change in fair value of derivatives (Note 9), net of tax of \$2,080 and \$(2,131), respectively		(14,559)		14,918
Actuarial (loss) gain on pension obligations, net of tax of \$215 and \$(257), respectively		(1,539)		1,125
Total direct movements in group equity		(16,098)		16,043
Total result of the group	\$	904,282	\$	1,041,697

## **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

# For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

			Year Ended I	)ecer	nber 31,
	Note		2018 2017		
Group profit		\$	(U.S. Dollars i 920,380	in the	1,025,654
Adjustments to reconcile group profit to net cash provided by operating activities:		Ψ	720,300	Ψ	1,023,034
Depreciation and amortization	4, 5		1,702,955		1,752,584
Asset impairment, net	20		67,950		83,747
Amortization of debt issuance costs and debt discount	13		64,185		65,420
Amortization of lease premium	4		12,314		13,632
Amortization of fair value adjustments on debt	13		(142,596)		(194,728)
Accretion of fair value adjustments on deposits and maintenance liabilities	14		21,606		31,360
Maintenance rights write-off (a)	4		287,119		539,772
Maintenance liability release to income	14		(308,615)		(325,382)
Net gain on sale of assets			(274,647)		(321,333)
Deferred income taxes	22		137,343		153,248
Restructuring related expenses			_		5,097
Share-based compensation	19		95,176		107,719
Other			39,805		12,770
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			,		,
Trade receivables			19,839		(10,567)
Other receivables and other assets	7, 8, 9, 10		9,800		55,309
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	15		187,758		145,915
Net cash provided by operating activities			2,840,372		3,140,217
Purchase of flight equipment	5		(4,036,194)		(3,956,671)
Proceeds from sale or disposal of assets	5		1,822,601		1,779,321
Prepayments on flight equipment	26		(1,912,215)		(1,268,585)
Collections of finance and sales-type leases	6		94,703		91,918
Other			(21,505)		(38,102)
Net cash used in investing activities			(4,052,610)		(3,392,119)
Issuance of debt	13		5,589,825		5,596,402
Repayment of debt	13		(4,360,520)		(4,695,453)
Debt issuance costs paid	13		(57,831)		(81,396)
Maintenance payments received	14		743,256		756,314
Maintenance payments returned	14		(459,326)		(523,403)
Security deposits received			208,259		187,378
Security deposits returned			(220,452)		(188,362)
Dividend paid to non-controlling interest holders and others	12		(8,403)		(266)
Repurchase of shares and tax withholdings on share-based compensation	12		(834,398)		(1,138,782)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities			600,410		(87,568)
Net decrease in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash			(611,828)		(339,470)
Effect of exchange rate changes			2,738		(1,032)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of period			2,024,125		2,364,627
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period		\$	1,415,035	\$	2,024,125

# **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Continued)**

# For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2018		2017	
		(U.S. Dollars in thousands)		
Supplemental cash flow information:				
Interest paid, net of amounts capitalized	\$	1,228,788	\$	1,231,539
Income taxes paid, net		679		18,957
(a) Maintenance rights write-off consisted of the following:				
EOL and MR contract maintenance rights expense	\$	157,792	\$	355,845
MR contract maintenance rights write-off due to maintenance liability release		29,656		77,494
EOL contract maintenance rights write-off due to cash receipt		99,671		106,433
Maintenance rights write-off	\$	287,119	\$	539,772

## **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Continued)**

## For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

Non-Cash Investing and Financing Activities

## Year ended December 31, 2018:

Flight equipment held for operating leases in the amount of \$76.9 million was reclassified to net investment in finance and sales-type leases.

Flight equipment held for operating leases in the amount of \$38.4 million, net, was reclassified to inventory, which is included in other tangible fixed assets.

Accrued maintenance liability in the amount of \$267.2 million was settled with buyers upon sale or disposal of assets.

## Year ended December 31, 2017:

Flight equipment held for operating leases in the amount of \$330.7 million, net, was reclassified to net investment in finance and sales-type leases.

Flight equipment held for operating leases in the amount of \$20.6 million was reclassified to inventory, which is included in other tangible fixed assets.

Accrued maintenance liability in the amount of \$344.8 million was settled with buyers upon sale or disposal of assets.

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

(U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

#### 1. General

## The Company

We are a global leader in aircraft leasing with total assets of \$43.1 billion, primarily consisting of 962 owned aircraft as of December 31, 2018. Our ordinary shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol AER. Our headquarters is located in Dublin, and we have offices in Shannon, Los Angeles, Singapore, Amsterdam, Shanghai and Abu Dhabi. We also have representative offices at the world's largest aircraft manufacturers, Boeing in Seattle and Airbus in Toulouse.

The Consolidated Financial Statements presented herein include the accounts of AerCap Holdings N.V. and its subsidiaries. AerCap Holdings N.V. is a public limited liability company ("naamloze vennootschap" or "N.V.") incorporated in the Netherlands on July 10, 2006.

The Chamber of Commerce registration number for AerCap Holdings N.V. is 34251954 and the corporate seat is Amsterdam.

#### Risks and uncertainties

Aircraft leasing is a capital intensive business and we have significant capital requirements. In order to meet our forward purchase commitments, we will need to access committed debt facilities, secure additional financing for pre-delivery payment obligations, use our existing available cash balances, cash generated from aircraft leasing and sales, and, if necessary, the proceeds from potential capital market transactions. If we cannot meet our obligations under our forward purchase commitments, we will not recover the value of prepayments on flight equipment on our Consolidated Balance Sheets and may be subject to other contract breach damages.

We are dependent upon the viability of the commercial aviation industry, which determines our ability to service existing and future operating leases of our aircraft. Although the aviation market recovered significantly from late 2009, a deterioration of economic conditions could cause our lessees to default under their leases with us, which could negatively impact our cash flows and results of operations. Furthermore, the value of the largest asset in our Consolidated Balance Sheets, flight equipment held for operating leases, is subject to fluctuations in values of commercial aircraft worldwide. A material decrease in aircraft values could have a downward effect on lease rentals and residual values and may require that the carrying value of our flight equipment be materially reduced.

The values of trade receivables, notes receivables and intangible lease premium assets are dependent upon the financial viability of related lessees, which is directly tied to the health of the commercial aviation market worldwide.

We have significant tax losses carried forward in some of our subsidiaries, which are recognized as deferred tax assets in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. The recoverability of these deferred tax assets is dependent upon the ability of the related entities to generate a certain level of taxable income in the future. If those entities cannot generate such taxable income, we will not realize the value of those deferred tax assets and a tax charge will be required.

We periodically perform reviews of the carrying values of our aircraft, customer receivables and inventory, the recoverable value of deferred tax assets and the sufficiency of accruals and provisions, substantially all of which are sensitive to the above risks and uncertainties.

## Related parties

All group companies and related parties mentioned in Note 8—Participations, Note 18—Other income, Note 24—Special purpose entities and Note 25—Related party transactions are considered to be related parties. Transactions between group companies are eliminated upon consolidation.

## Note to the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

The Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows have been prepared using the indirect method. The cash and cash equivalents in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows comprise the Consolidated Balance Sheet item cash and cash equivalents. Cash flows denominated in currencies other than U.S. dollars are translated at average exchange rates.

Receipts and payments of interest, dividends received and income taxes paid are included in cash flow provided by operating activities.

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

(U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

#### 2. Basis of presentation

#### General

Our Consolidated Financial Statements were prepared in accordance with the statutory provisions of Part 9, Book 2, of the Dutch Civil Code and the firm pronouncements in the Dutch Accounting Standards as issued by the Dutch Accounting Standards Board. The annual accounts are denominated in U.S. dollars, which is our functional and reporting currency.

In general, assets and liabilities (except for group equity) are stated at the amounts at which they were acquired or incurred, with exception of derivatives which are measured at fair value. The Consolidated Balance Sheets, Consolidated Income Statements and Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows include references to the notes.

The principles of valuation and determination of result remain unchanged compared to the prior year.

Due to rounding, numbers presented throughout this document may not add up precisely to the totals provided and percentages may not precisely reflect the absolute figures.

## Use of estimates

The preparation of Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses, and related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. The use of estimates is or could be a significant factor affecting the reported carrying values of flight equipment, intangibles, participations, trade and notes receivables, deferred income tax assets and accruals and reserves. Actual results may differ from our estimates under different conditions, sometimes materially.

## 3. Summary of significant accounting policies

#### Foreign currency

Foreign currency transactions are translated into U.S. dollars, which is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the group operates, at the exchange rate prevailing at the time the transaction took place or at the rates of exchange under related forward contracts where such contracts exist. Monetary items denominated in foreign currency are remeasured into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate prevailing at the balance sheet date. Translation differences on non-monetary items held at cost are recognized using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions (or the approximated rates). All resulting exchange gains and losses are recorded in other expenses in our Consolidated Income Statements. All group companies have the U.S. dollar as their functional currency, given the nature of the business.

## Consolidation

The consolidation includes the financial information of AerCap Holdings N.V., its group companies and other entities in which it exercises control or whose central management it conducts. Group companies are entities in which AerCap Holdings N.V. exercises direct or indirect dominant control based on a shareholding of more than one half of the voting rights, or whose financial and operating policies it otherwise has the power to govern. Potential voting rights that can directly be exercised at the balance sheet date are also taken into account.

Group companies and other entities in which AerCap Holdings N.V. exercises control or whose central management it conducts are consolidated in full. Companies are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are de-consolidated from the date that control ceases. Non-controlling interests in group equity and group profit are disclosed separately.

Intercompany transactions, profits and balances among group companies and other consolidated legal persons are eliminated. Unrealized losses on intercompany transactions are eliminated as well, unless such a loss qualifies as impairment. The accounting policies of group companies and other consolidated legal entities were changed where necessary, in order to align them to the prevailing group accounting policies.

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

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### 3. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

Since the income statement for year ended December 31, 2018 of AerCap Holdings N.V. is included in our Consolidated Financial Statements, an abridged income statement has been disclosed (in the Company Financial Statements) in accordance with Section 402, Book 2, of the Dutch Civil Code.

For a listing of consolidated companies and participations, please refer to Note 29—Subsidiary undertakings.

#### Intangible fixed assets

We recognize intangible assets acquired in a business combination at fair value on the date of acquisition. The rate of amortization of intangible fixed assets is calculated based on the period over which we expect to derive economic benefits from such assets.

### Maintenance rights and lease premium, net

Maintenance rights assets are recognized when we acquire aircraft subject to existing leases. These assets represent the contractual right to receive the aircraft in a specified maintenance condition at the end of the lease under EOL contracts or our right to receive an aircraft in better maintenance condition due to our obligation to contribute towards the cost of the maintenance events performed by the lessee either through reimbursement of maintenance deposit rents held under MR contracts, or through a lessor contribution to the lessee.

For EOL contracts, upon lease termination, we recognize receipts of EOL cash compensation as lease revenue to the extent those receipts exceed the EOL contract maintenance rights asset and we recognize leasing expenses when the EOL contract maintenance rights asset exceeds the EOL cash receipts. For MR contracts, we recognize maintenance rights expense at the time the lessee submits a reimbursement claim and provides the required documentation related to the cost of a qualifying maintenance event that relates to pre-acquisition usage.

Lease premium assets represent the value of an acquired lease where the contractual rental payments are above the market rate. We amortize the lease premium assets on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease as a reduction of lease revenue.

### Other intangible fixed assets, net (including goodwill)

Other intangible fixed assets primarily consist of customer relationships recorded at fair value on the ILFC Transaction closing date and goodwill. These intangible assets are amortized over the period which we expect to derive economic benefits from such assets. The associated benefit from goodwill is expected to be realized over a 17 year period based upon forecasted cash flows and is as such amortized over 17 years. The amortization expense is recorded in depreciation and amortization in our Consolidated Income Statements. We evaluate all definite-lived intangible assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the asset may not be recoverable.

## Tangible fixed assets

## Flight equipment held for operating leases, net

Flight equipment held for operating leases is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Flight equipment is depreciated to its estimated residual value on a straight-line basis over the useful life of the aircraft, which is generally 25 years from the date of manufacture, or a different period depending on the disposition strategy. The costs of improvements to flight equipment are normally recorded as leasing expenses unless the improvement increases the long-term value or extends the useful life of the flight equipment. The capitalized improvement cost is depreciated over the estimated remaining useful life of the aircraft. The residual value of our flight equipment is generally 15% of estimated industry price, except where more relevant information indicates that a different residual value is more appropriate.

We periodically review the estimated useful lives and residual values of our flight equipment based on our industry knowledge, external factors, such as current market conditions, and changes in our disposition strategies, to determine if they are appropriate, and record adjustments to depreciation rates prospectively on an aircraft-by-aircraft basis, as necessary.

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

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### 3. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

We perform an impairment test on our long-lived assets when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of such assets may not be recoverable. The review of recoverability includes an assessment of the estimated future cash flows associated with the use of an asset and its eventual disposal. The assets are grouped at the lowest level for which identifiable cash flows are largely independent of other groups of assets, which includes the individual aircraft and the lease-related assets and liabilities of that aircraft (the "Cash Generating Unit"). If the sum of the expected discounted future cash flows is less than the aggregate net book value of the Cash Generating Unit, an impairment loss is recognized. The loss is measured as the excess of the carrying amount of the impaired Cash Generating Unit over its estimated recoverable amount.

Recoverable amount reflects the present value of future cash flows expected to be generated from the aircraft, including its expected residual value, discounted at a rate commensurate with the associated risk. Future cash flows are assumed to occur under current market conditions and assume adequate time for a sale between a willing buyer and a willing seller. Expected future lease rates are based on all relevant information available, including current contracted rates for similar aircraft and industry trends.

## Capitalization of interest

We capitalize interest on prepayments of forward order flight equipment and add such amounts to prepayments on flight equipment. The amount of interest capitalized is the amount of interest costs which could have been avoided in the absence of such prepayments.

## Other tangible fixed assets

Other tangible fixed assets consist primarily of leasehold improvements, computer equipment and office furniture, and are valued at acquisition cost and depreciated at various rates over the asset's estimated useful life on a straight-line basis. Depreciation expense on other tangible fixed assets is recorded in depreciation and amortization in our Consolidated Income Statements.

### Financial fixed assets

### Net investment in finance and sales-type leases

If a lease meets specific criteria, we recognize the lease in net investment in finance and sales-type leases in our Consolidated Balance Sheets and de-recognize the aircraft from flight equipment held for operating leases. For sales-type leases, we recognize the difference between the aircraft carrying value and the amount recognized in net investment in finance and sales-type leases in net gain on sale of assets in our Consolidated Income Statements. The amounts recognized for finance and sales-type leases consist of lease receivables and the estimated unguaranteed residual value of the flight equipment on the lease termination date, less the unearned income. Expected unguaranteed residual values are based on our assessment of the values of the flight equipment at expiration of the lease. The unearned income is recognized as lease revenue over the lease term, using the interest method to produce a constant yield over the life of the lease.

# Deferred income tax assets and liabilities

We report deferred income tax assets and liabilities resulting from the temporary differences between the book values and the tax values of assets and liabilities using the liability method. The differences are calculated at nominal value using the enacted tax rate applicable at the time the temporary difference is expected to reverse.

## Other financial fixed assets

Other financial fixed assets consist of lease incentives, participations, derivative financial instruments and straight-line rents.

#### Lease incentives

We capitalize amounts paid or value provided to lessees as lease incentives. We amortize lease incentives on a straightline basis over the term of the related lease as a reduction of lease revenue.

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

(U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

## 3. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### **Participations**

Participations over which we have significant influence are valued according to the net asset value method. Under the net asset value method, we recognize our share of earnings and losses of such participations in result from participations in our Consolidated Income Statements.

#### Derivative financial instruments

We use derivative financial instruments to manage our exposure to interest rate risks. We recognize derivatives in our Consolidated Balance Sheets at fair value.

When cash flow hedge accounting treatment is applied, the changes in fair values related to the effective portion of the derivatives are recorded in revaluation reserves, and the ineffective portion is recognized immediately in financial expense. Amounts reflected in revaluation reserves related to the effective portion are reclassified into financial expense in the same period or periods during which the hedged transaction affects financial expense.

We discontinue hedge accounting prospectively when (i) we determine that the derivative is no longer effective in offsetting changes in the fair value or cash flows of the hedged item; (ii) the derivative expires or is sold, terminated, or exercised; or (iii) management determines that designating the derivative as a hedging instrument is no longer appropriate. In all situations in which hedge accounting is discontinued and the derivative remains outstanding, we recognize the changes in the fair value in current-period earnings. The remaining balance in revaluation reserves at the time we discontinue hedge accounting is not recognized in our Consolidated Income Statements unless it is probable that the forecasted transaction will not occur. Such amounts are recognized in financial expense when the hedged transaction affects financial expense.

When cash flow hedge accounting treatment is not applied, the changes in fair values related to interest rate related derivatives between periods are recognized in financial expense in our Consolidated Income Statements.

Net cash received or paid under derivative contracts is classified as operating cash flows in our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

### Receivables

#### Trade receivables

Trade receivables represent unpaid, current lessee obligations under existing lease contracts. An allowance for credit losses on trade receivables is established when the risk of non-recovery is probable. The risk of non-recovery is primarily based on the extent to which amounts outstanding exceed the value of security held, together with an assessment of the financial strength and condition of a debtor and the economic conditions persisting in the debtor's operating environment. The allowance for credit losses is classified as leasing expenses in our Consolidated Income Statements.

### Other receivables

Other receivables consist of inventory, notes receivables, prepaid expenses and other.

#### *Inventory*

Inventory consists primarily of engine and airframe components and piece parts. We value our inventory at the lower of cost and net realizable value.

### Notes receivables

Notes receivables represent amounts advanced in the normal course of our operations and also arise from the restructuring and deferral of trade receivables from lessees experiencing financial difficulties. An allowance for credit losses on notes receivables is established when the risk of non-recovery is probable. The assessment of the risk of non-recovery where lessees are experiencing financial difficulties is primarily based on the extent to which amounts outstanding exceed the value of security held, together with an assessment of the financial strength and condition of the debtor and the economic conditions persisting in the debtor's operating environment.

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

(U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

## 3. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

#### Cash

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months which are held at nominal value.

#### Restricted cash

Restricted cash includes cash held by banks that is subject to withdrawal restrictions. Such amounts are typically restricted under secured debt agreements and can be used only to maintain the aircraft securing the debt and to provide debt service payments of principal and interest.

### Shareholders' equity

Expenses directly related to the purchase, sale and/or issue of new shares, net of tax, are directly charged against shareholders' equity. Other direct changes in shareholders' equity are also recognized after processing of the relevant income tax effects

## **Non-controlling interest**

The non-controlling interest in group equity is carried at the amount of the net interest in the group companies concerned. Insofar as the group company concerned has a negative net asset value, the negative value and other future losses are not allocated to the non-controlling interest, unless the third party shareholders have a constructive actual obligation, and are capable, to clear the losses. As soon as the net asset value of the group company is positive again, profits are again allocated to the non-controlling interest. Gains and losses arising from acquisitions and disposals of non-controlling interests are recognized through shareholders' equity.

### **Provisions**

Provisions are recognized for legally enforceable or constructive obligations existing on the balance sheet date, the settlement of which is probable to require an outflow of resources whose extent can be reliably estimated. Provisions are measured on the basis of the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligations as of the balance sheet date.

Provisions are stated at the present value of the expenditure expected to be required to settle the obligations. If the expenditure to settle obligations is expected to be recovered from third parties, the recovery is carried as an asset in our Consolidated Balance Sheets if it is likely to be received upon settlement of the obligation.

### Liabilities

## Debt and deferred debt issuance costs

Long-term debt is carried at the principal amount borrowed, including unamortized discounts and premiums, fair value adjustments and debt issuance costs, where applicable. The fair value adjustments reflect the application of the acquisition method of accounting to the debt assumed as part of the ILFC Transaction. We amortize the amount of discounts, premiums and fair value adjustments over the period the debt is outstanding using the effective interest method. The costs we incur for issuing debt are capitalized and amortized as an increase to financial expense over the life of the debt using the effective interest method.

### Accrued maintenance liability

Under our aircraft leases, the lessee is responsible for maintenance and repairs and other operating expenses related to the flight equipment during the term of the lease. When an aircraft is not subject to a lease, we may incur maintenance and repair expenses for our aircraft. Maintenance and repair expenses are recorded in leasing expenses, to the extent such expenses are incurred by us.

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

(U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

## 3. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

We may be obligated to make additional payments to the lessee for maintenance-related expenses, primarily related to usage of major life-limited components prior to commencement of the lease ("lessor maintenance contributions"). For all lease contracts, we accrue lessor maintenance contributions at the commencement of the lease. In the case we have established an accrual as an assumed liability for such payment in connection with the purchase of an aircraft with a lease attached, such payments are charged against the existing accrual.

For all lease contracts acquired as part of the ILFC Transaction, we determined the fair value of our maintenance liability, including lessor maintenance contributions, using the present value of the expected cash outflows. The discounted amounts are accreted in subsequent periods to their respective nominal values up until the expected maintenance event dates using the effective interest method. The accretion amounts are recorded as increases to financial expense in our Consolidated Income Statements.

## Lessee security deposits

For all lessee deposits assumed as part of the ILFC Transaction, we discounted the lessee security deposit amounts to their respective present values. We accrete the discounted security deposit amounts to their respective nominal values over the period we expect to refund the security deposits to each lessee, using the effective interest method, recognizing an increase in financial expense.

### Negative goodwill

Negative goodwill arising from the acquisition of subsidiaries is recognized as a liability in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. Negative goodwill is released to income in accordance with the weighted average remaining life of the depreciable or amortizable assets acquired. In the event of a disposal of an asset a relative portion of the negative goodwill based on the weighted average book value of the acquired asset is released to our Consolidated Income Statements.

### Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities

On initial recognition accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities are recognized at fair value. After initial recognition they are recognized at amortized cost price. This usually is the nominal value.

### Guarantees

We have potential obligations under guarantee contracts that we have entered into with third parties. See Note 26—Commitments and contingencies. We initially recognize guarantees at fair value. Subsequently, if it becomes probable that we will be required to perform under a guarantee, we accrue a liability based on an estimate of the loss we will incur to perform under the guarantee. The loss estimate is generally measured as the amount by which the contractual guaranteed value exceeds the fair market value or future lease cash flows of the underlying aircraft.

## Revenue recognition

We lease flight equipment principally under operating leases and recognize rental income on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease. At lease inception, we review all necessary criteria to determine proper lease classification. We account for lease agreements that include uneven rental payments on a straight-line basis. The difference between rental revenue recognized and cash received is included in other financial fixed assets, or in the event it is a liability, in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities.

Lease agreements where base rent is based on floating interest rates are included in minimum lease payments based on the floating interest rate that existed at the commencement of the lease. Increases or decreases in lease payments that result from subsequent changes in the floating interest rate are considered contingent rentals and are recorded as increases or decreases in lease revenue in the period of the interest rate change.

Our lease contracts normally include default covenants, which generally obligate the lessee to pay us damages to put us in the position we would have been in had the lessee performed under the lease in full. There are no additional payments required which would increase the minimum lease payments. We cease revenue recognition on a lease contract when the collectability of rentals is no longer reasonably assured. For past-due rentals that exceed related security deposits held which have been recognized as revenue, we establish provisions on the basis of management's assessment of collectability. Such provisions are recorded in leasing expenses.

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

(U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

## 3. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

Revenue from net investment in finance and sales-type leases is recognized using the interest method to produce a constant yield over the life of the lease and is included in lease revenue.

Most of our lease contracts require rental payments in advance. Rental payments received but unearned are recorded as deferred revenue in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities in our Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Under our aircraft leases, the lessee is responsible for maintenance, repairs and other operating expenses during the term of the lease. Under the provisions of many of our leases, the lessee is required to make payments of supplemental maintenance rents which are calculated with reference to the utilization of the airframe, engines and other major life-limited components during the lease. We record as lease revenue all supplemental maintenance rent receipts not expected to be reimbursed to lessees. We estimate the total amount of maintenance reimbursements for the entire lease and only record revenue after we have received sufficient maintenance rents to cover the total amount of estimated maintenance reimbursements during the remaining lease term

In most lease contracts not requiring the payment of supplemental maintenance rents, and to the extent that the aircraft is redelivered in a different condition than at acceptance, we generally receive EOL cash compensation for the difference at redelivery. Upon lease termination, we recognize receipts of EOL cash compensation as lease revenue to the extent those receipts exceed the EOL contract maintenance rights asset and we recognize leasing expenses when the EOL contract maintenance rights asset exceeds the EOL cash receipts.

The accrued maintenance liability existing at lease termination is recognized as lease revenue net of the MR contract maintenance rights asset. When flight equipment is sold, the portion of the accrued maintenance liability not specifically assigned to the buyer is released net of any maintenance rights asset balance and is included in net gain on sale of assets.

Net gain or loss on sale of assets is recognized when we sell aircraft and engines. The sale is recognized when control of the underlying aircraft transfers to the buyer and we no longer have significant ownership risk in the asset sold.

Other income consists of management fee revenue, lease termination penalties, inventory part sales, insurance proceeds, and other miscellaneous activities. Management fee revenue is recognized as income as it accrues over the life of the contract. Income from the receipt of lease termination penalties is recorded at the time cash is received or when the lease is terminated, if revenue recognition criteria are met.

### Pension

We operate defined benefit pension plans for a small number of our employees. These pension plans are no longer open to new participants. As required by ASC 715 under U.S. GAAP, we recognize net periodic pension costs associated with these plans in personnel expenses and recognize the unfunded status of the plan, if any, in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities. The change in fair value of the funded pension liability that is not related to the net periodic pension cost is recorded in revaluation reserves. The projection of benefit obligation and fair value of plan assets require the use of assumptions and estimates, including discount rates. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Furthermore, we operate defined contribution plans for the employees who do not fall under the defined benefit pension plans. We recognize an expense for contributions to the defined contribution plans in personnel expenses in the period the contributions are made.

## **Share-based compensation**

Employees may receive AerCap share-based awards, consisting of restricted stock units or restricted stock. Share-based compensation expense is determined by reference to the fair value of the restricted stock units or restricted stock on the grant date and is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period. Share-based compensation expense is recognized in personnel expenses.

### **Income taxes**

Tax on the result is calculated based on the result before tax in the income statement, taking account of the losses available for set-off from previous financial years (to the extent that they have not already been included in the deferred tax assets) and exempt profit components and after the addition of non-deductible costs. We recognize an uncertain tax benefit only to the extent that it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position.

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## 3. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

### Earnings per share

Basic EPS is computed by dividing income available to ordinary shareholders by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period. For the purposes of calculating diluted EPS, the denominator includes both the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period and the weighted average number of potentially dilutive ordinary shares, such as restricted stock units, restricted stock and stock options.

## Reportable segments

We manage our business and analyze and report our results of operations on the basis of one business segment: leasing, financing, sales and management of commercial aircraft and engines.

#### Fair value measurements

Fair value is defined as the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 27—Fair values of financial instruments.

## Financial instruments and risk management

Our primary market risk exposure is interest rate risk associated with short and long-term borrowings bearing variable interest rates and lease payments under leases tied to floating interest rates. To manage this interest rate exposure, from time to time, we enter into interest rate swap and cap agreements. We are also exposed to foreign currency risk, which can adversely affect our operating profits. To manage this risk, from time to time, we enter into forward exchange contracts.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with Note 9—Derivative financial instruments and Note 13—Debt which provide further information on our derivative financial instruments and debt.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the exposure to changes in the level of interest rates and the spread between different interest rates. Interest rate risk is highly sensitive to many factors, including government monetary policies, global economic factors and other factors beyond our control.

We enter into leases with rents that are based on fixed and variable interest rates, and we fund our operations primarily with a mixture of fixed and floating rate debt. Interest rate exposure arises when there is a mismatch between terms of the associated debt and interest earning assets, primarily between floating rate debt and fixed rate leases. We manage this exposure primarily through the use of interest rate caps, interest rate swaps and interest rate floors using a cash flow-based risk management model. This model takes the expected cash flows generated by our assets and liabilities and then calculates by how much the value of these cash flows will change for a given movement in interest rates.

Under our interest rate caps, we will receive the excess, if any, of LIBOR, reset monthly or quarterly on an actual/360 adjusted basis, over the strike rate of the relevant cap. For our interest rate swaps, pay rates are based on the fixed rate which we are contracted to pay to our swap counterparty.

Our Board of Directors is responsible for reviewing our overall interest rate management policies. Our counterparty risk is monitored on an ongoing basis, but is mitigated by the fact that the majority of our interest rate derivative counterparties are required to collateralize in the event of their downgrade by the rating agencies below a certain level.

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## 3. Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)

### Foreign currency risk and foreign operations

Our functional currency is U.S. dollars. Foreign exchange risk arises from our and our lessees' operations in multiple jurisdictions. All of our aircraft purchase agreements are negotiated in U.S. dollars, we currently receive substantially all of our revenue in U.S. dollars and we pay our expenses primarily in U.S. dollars. We currently have a limited number of leases denominated in foreign currencies, maintain part of our cash in foreign currencies, pay taxes in foreign currencies, and incur some of our expenses in foreign currencies, primarily the euro. A decrease in the U.S. dollar in relation to foreign currencies increases our lease revenue received from foreign currencies decreases our lease revenue received from foreign currency denominated leases and our expenses paid in foreign currencies. Because we currently receive most of our revenues in U.S. dollars and pay most of our expenses in U.S. dollars, a change in foreign exchange rates would not have a material impact on our results of operations or cash flows. We do not have any restrictions or repatriation issues associated with our foreign cash accounts.

#### Credit risk

The values of trade receivables and notes receivables are dependent upon the financial viability of related lessees, which is directly tied to the health of the commercial aviation market worldwide. We perform a credit evaluation on all lease counterparties with whom we conduct material business. We also actively monitor the creditworthiness of significant lessees to minimize the cost to us of lessee defaults.

#### Inflation

Inflation generally affects our costs. We do not believe that our financial results have been, or will be in the near future, materially and adversely affected by inflation.

## Liquidity

As of December 31, 2018, our cash balance was \$1.4 billion, including unrestricted cash of \$1.2 billion, and we had approximately \$8.1 billion of undrawn lines of credit available under our revolving credit and term loan facilities. As of December 31, 2018, the principal amount of our outstanding indebtedness, which excludes fair value adjustments of \$175.1 million and debt issuance costs and debt discounts of \$187.9 million, totaled \$29.5 billion and consisted of senior unsecured, subordinated and senior secured notes, export credit facilities, commercial bank debt, revolving credit debt, securitization debt and capital lease structures.

We believe, our existing sources of liquidity as of December 31, 2018, together with, operating cash flows for the next 12 months, are sufficient to operate our business for the next 12 months. Our sources of liquidity for the next 12 months include undrawn lines of credit, unrestricted cash, estimated operating cash flows, cash flows from contracted asset sales and other sources of funding.

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## 4. Intangibles

# Maintenance rights and lease premium, net

Maintenance rights and lease premium, net consisted of the following as of December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	 As of December 31,			
	2018		2017	
Maintenance rights	\$ 1,088,246	\$	1,464,599	
Lease premium, net	24,944		37,259	
	\$ 1,113,190	\$	1,501,858	

Movements in maintenance rights during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			
		2018		2017
Maintenance rights at beginning of period	\$	1,464,599	\$	2,117,034
EOL and MR contract maintenance rights expense		(157,792)		(355,845)
MR contract maintenance rights write-off due to maintenance liability release		(29,656)		(77,494)
EOL contract maintenance rights write-off due to cash receipt		(99,671)		(106,433)
EOL and MR contract maintenance rights write-off due to sale of aircraft		(89,234)		(112,663)
Maintenance rights at end of period	\$	1,088,246	\$	1,464,599

Movements in lease premium and related accumulated amortization during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

		Year Ended December 31,		
		2018		2017
Balance at beginning of period				
Historical costs	\$	77,977	\$	94,959
Cumulative amortization		(40,718)		(44,068)
Net carrying amount		37,259		50,891
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Movements				
Disposals		(4,677)		(16,982)
Amortization		(10,576)		(13,632)
Amortization of disposals		2,938		16,982
Total movements		(12,315)		(13,632)
	_			
Balance at end of period				
Historical costs		73,300		77,977
Cumulative amortization		(48,356)		(40,718)
Net carrying amount	\$	24,944	\$	37,259
Remaining weighted-average amortization period (in years)		2.7		3.6

Lease premiums that are fully amortized are removed from the gross carrying amount and accumulated amortization columns in the table above.

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## 4. Intangibles (Continued)

As of December 31, 2018, the estimated future amortization expense for lease premium was as follows:

	:	Estimated amortization expense
2019	\$	9,692
2020		7,405
2021		5,394
2022		914
2023		712
Thereafter		827
	\$	24,944

## Other intangibles

Other intangibles consisted of the following as of December 31, 2018 and 2017:

		As of December 31,			
	<u>-</u>	2018		2017	
Goodwill, net	\$	64,911	\$	70,157	
Customer relationships, net		261,941		283,118	
Contractual vendor intangible assets		8,535		10,606	
Tradename, net		_		3,694	
	\$	335,387	\$	367,575	

Movements in goodwill, customer relationships and tradename and related accumulated amortization during the year ended December 31, 2018 were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31, 2018						
	Goodwill		Customer elationships	1	Tradename		Fotal other ntangibles
Balance at beginning of period							
Historical costs	\$ 89,172	\$	360,000	\$	40,000	\$	489,172
Cumulative impairment losses and amortization	(19,015)		(76,882)		(36,306)		(132,203)
Net carrying amount	70,157		283,118		3,694		356,969
Movements							
Amortization	(5,246)		(21,177)		(3,694)		(30,117)
<b>Total movements</b>	(5,246)		(21,177)		(3,694)		(30,117)
Balance at end of period							
Historical costs	89,172		360,000		40,000		489,172
Cumulative impairment losses and amortization	(24,261)		(98,059)		(40,000)		(162,320)
Net carrying amount	\$ 64,911	\$	261,941	\$		\$	326,852
Remaining weighted-average amortization period (in years)	12.4		12.4				

During the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, we utilized \$2.1 million and \$10.4 million, respectively, of contractual vendor intangible assets to reduce the cash outlay related to purchases of goods and services from our vendors.

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## 4. Intangibles (Continued)

As of December 31, 2018, the estimated future amortization expense for goodwill and customer relationships was as follows:

	Estimated ization expense
2019	\$ 26,421
2020	26,421
2021	26,421
2022	26,421
2023	26,421
Thereafter	194,747
	\$ 326,852

## 5. Flight equipment held for operating leases, net

Movements in flight equipment held for operating leases during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			mber 31,
		2018		2017
Net book value at beginning of period	\$	32,938,294	\$	31,552,935
Additions		5,877,691		5,276,715
Depreciation		(1,670,007)		(1,717,201)
Impairment (Note 20, Note 34)		(69,950)		(83,747)
Other		_		(2,662)
Disposals		(1,825,221)		(1,736,500)
Transfers to net investment in finance and sales-type leases/inventory		(115,330)		(351,246)
Net book value at end of period	\$	35,135,477	\$	32,938,294
Accumulated depreciation as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively	\$	(6,870,937)	\$	(6,103,431)

## 6. Net investment in finance and sales-type leases

Movements in net investment in finance and sales-type leases during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Year Ended I	Year Ended December 31,			
	2018	2017			
Net book value at beginning of period	\$ 995,689	\$ 755,882			
Additions	104,882	350,688			
Principal repayments	(94,703)	(91,918)			
Disposals	(2,582)	(17,494)			
Transfers to flight equipment held for operating leases	<u> </u>	(1,469)			
Net book value at end of period	\$ 1,003,286	\$ 995,689			

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# 6. Net investment in finance and sales-type lease (Continued)

Components of net investment in finance and sales-type leases as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	December 31, 2018			
		2018		2017
Future minimum lease payments to be received	\$	792,265	\$	865,456
Estimated residual values of leased flight equipment (unguaranteed)		528,916		498,894
Less: Unearned income		(317,895)		(368,661)
		1,003,286		995,689
Less: Allowance for credit losses		_		_
	\$	1,003,286	\$	995,689

As of December 31, 2018, future minimum lease payments to be received on finance and sales-type leases were as follows:

	minimum payments received
2019	\$ 150,384
2020	129,698
2021	113,958
2022	93,787
2023	75,843
Thereafter	228,595
	\$ 792,265

# 7. Other financial fixed assets

Other financial fixed assets consisted of the following as of December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2018		2017	
Lease incentives	\$ 251,961	\$	213,684	
Participations (Note 8)	132,113		122,946	
Derivative assets (Note 9)	69,105		48,896	
Straight-line rents	31,783		19,786	
	\$ 484,962	\$	405,312	

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#### 8. Participations

Participations accounted for under the net asset value method of accounting consisted of the following as of December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	% Ownership as of		As of Dec	embe	r 31,
	December 31, 2018		2018		2017
AerDragon	16.7	\$	65,920	\$	61,706
AerLift	39.3		47,644		44,930
ACSAL	19.4		15,248		14,197
		\$	128,812	\$	120,833

Movements in participations accounted for under the net asset value method of accounting during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2018		2017	
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 120,833	\$	118,777	
Share in undistributed earnings	10,643		9,199	
Dividend	(3,180)		(8,305)	
Capital contributions and other	516		1,162	
Balance at end of period	\$ 128,812	\$	120,833	

Our share of undistributed earnings of participations in which our ownership interest is less than 50% was \$48.2 million and \$40.2 million as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. We also have a participation in Peregrine of \$3.3 million and \$2.1 million as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, which is accounted for in accordance with the cost method of accounting. Please refer to Note 24—Special purpose entities for further details.

## 9. Derivative financial instruments

We have entered into interest rate derivatives to hedge the current and future interest rate payments on our variable rate debt. These derivative financial instruments can include interest rate swaps, caps, floors, options and forward contracts.

As of December 31, 2018, we had interest rate caps and swaps outstanding, with underlying variable benchmark interest rates ranging from one to six-month U.S. dollar LIBOR.

Some of our agreements with derivative counterparties require a two-way cash collateralization of derivative fair values. As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, we had cash collateral of \$5.5 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, from various counterparties and the obligation to return such collateral was recorded in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities. We had not advanced any cash collateral to counterparties as of December 31, 2018 or 2017.

The counterparties to our interest rate derivatives are primarily major international financial institutions. We continually monitor our positions and the credit ratings of the counterparties involved and limit the amount of credit exposure to any one party. We could be exposed to potential losses due to the credit risk of non-performance by these counterparties. We have not experienced any material losses to date.

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## 9. Derivative financial instruments (Continued)

Our derivative assets are recorded in other financial fixed assets and our derivative liabilities are recorded in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities in our Consolidated Balance Sheets. The following tables present notional amounts and fair values of derivatives outstanding as of December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	As of December 31,							
	2018					20	17	_
		Notional amount (a) Fair value		Notional amount (a)			Fair value	
Derivative assets not designated as accounting hedges:								
Interest rate caps	\$	2,523,500	\$	32,547	\$	2,721,000	\$	25,021
Derivative assets designated as accounting cash flow hedges:								
Interest rate swaps	\$	1,900,957	\$	36,558	\$	1,830,785	\$	23,875
Total derivative assets			\$	69,105			\$	48,896

<sup>(</sup>a) The notional amount is reported as nil for caps and swaps where the effective date has not yet commenced.

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201	2017					
Notional amount (a)	Fair	· value	Notional amount (a)		Fair va	lue
1,375,000	\$	29,321	\$	_	\$	_
	\$	29,321			\$	
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<sup>(</sup>a) The notional amount is reported as nil for swaps where the effective date has not yet commenced.

We recorded the following in revaluation reserves related to derivative financial instruments for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2018		2017	
Gain (Loss)				
Effective portion of change in fair market value of derivatives designated as accounting cash flow hedges:				
Interest rate swaps	\$ (16,639)	\$	17,049	
Income tax effect	2,080		(2,131)	
Net changes in cash flow hedges, net of tax	\$ (14,559)	\$	14,918	

The following table presents the effect of derivatives recorded as reductions to or (increases) in financial expense in our Consolidated Income Statements for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	Year Ended December 31,				
	 2018	2017			
Gain (Loss)					
Derivatives not designated as accounting hedges:					
Interest rate caps	\$ 5,158	\$	(14,178)		
Effect from derivatives on financial expense	\$ 5,158	\$	(14,178)		

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#### 10. Other receivables

Other receivables consisted of the following as of December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	As of Dec	· 31,	
	2018		2017
Inventory	\$ 30,971	\$	38,972
Other receivables	220,289		351,925
Notes receivables	58,994		22,497
Prepaid expenses and other	57,494		98,573
	\$ 367,748	\$	511,967

## 11. Restricted cash

Our restricted cash balance was \$211.0 million and \$364.5 million as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and was primarily related to our ECA and Ex-Im financings, our AerFunding revolving credit facility and other debt. See Note 13 — Debt.

## 12. Equity

The following table presents our share repurchase programs for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

Program approval date	Program end date	Authorized amount		Program completion date
February 2017	June 30, 2017	\$ 350	0,000	June 12, 2017
May 2017	December 31, 2017	300	0,000	September 26, 2017
July 2017	March 31, 2018	250	0,000	December 14, 2017
October 2017	March 31, 2018	200	0,000	February 21, 2018
February 2018	June 30, 2018	200	0,000	May 14, 2018
April 2018	December 31, 2018	200	0,000	November 2, 2018
October 2018	March 31, 2019	200	0,000	January 9, 2019
December 2018	March 31, 2019	100	0,000	Not yet completed

In February 2019, our Board of Directors approved a share repurchase program authorizing total repurchases of up to \$200 million of AerCap ordinary shares through September 30, 2019.

During the year ended December 31, 2018, we repurchased an aggregate of 13,928,287 of our ordinary shares under our share repurchase programs at an average price, including commissions, of \$52.17 per ordinary share.

Between January 1, 2019 and March 5, 2019, we repurchased an aggregate of 2,664,129 of our ordinary shares under our share repurchase programs at an average price, including commissions, of \$44.61 per ordinary share.

During the year ended December 31, 2018, our Board of Directors cancelled 16,000,000 ordinary shares which were acquired through the share repurchase programs in accordance with the authorizations obtained from the Company's shareholders.

Movements in non-controlling interest during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			
		2018	2017	
Balance at beginning of period	\$	59,104	\$	57,817
Result non-controlling interest		1,865		4,202
Dividends paid		(8,403)		(2,915)
Balance at end of period	\$	52,566	\$	59,104

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### 13. Debt

As of December 31, 2018, the principal amount of our outstanding indebtedness totaled \$29.5 billion, which excluded fair value adjustments of \$175.1 million and debt issuance costs and debt discounts of \$187.9 million, and our undrawn lines of credit were approximately \$8.1 billion, availability of which is subject to certain conditions, including compliance with certain financial covenants. As of December 31, 2018, we remained in compliance with the financial covenants across our various debt obligations. All of our debt is redeemable by AerCap, unless otherwise stated.

The following table provides a summary of our indebtedness as of December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	As of December 31,						
			201	18			2017
Debt Obligation	Collateral (Number of aircraft)	Commitment	Undrawn amounts	Amount outstanding	Weighted average interest rate (a)	Maturity	Amount outstanding
Unsecured							
ILFC Legacy Notes		\$ 4,900,000	\$ —	\$ 4,900,000	6.69%	2019 - 2022	\$ 5,670,000
AerCap Trust & AICDC Notes		10,749,864	_	10,749,864	4.08%	2019 - 2028	8,399,864
Asia Revolving Credit Facility		950,000	750,000	200,000	4.01%	2022	300,000
Citi Revolving Credit Facility		4,000,000	4,000,000	_	_	2021	_
Other unsecured debt		1,326,000	166,000	1,160,000	4.16%	2020 - 2023	550,000
Fair value adjustment		NA	NA	177,450	NA	NA	286,426
TOTAL UNSECURED		21,925,864	4,916,000	17,187,314			15,206,290
Secured							
Export credit facilities	32	849,372	_	849,372	2.69%	2019 - 2030	1,241,262
Senior Secured Notes		_	_	_	_	_	1,275,000
Institutional secured term loans & secured portfolio loans	280	9,097,528	1,564,500	7,533,028	4.28%	2020 - 2030	6,253,431
AerFunding Revolving Credit Facility	16	2,500,000	1,580,516	919,484	4.39%	2022	878,424
Other secured debt (b)	70	1,633,099	_	1,633,099	4.50%	2019 -2036	2,139,360
Fair value adjustment		NA	NA	(2,103)	NA	NA	31,482
TOTAL SECURED		14,079,999	3,145,016	10,932,880			11,818,959
Subordinated							
ECAPS Subordinated Notes		1,000,000	_	1,000,000	4.65%	2065	1,000,000
Junior Subordinated Notes		500,000	_	500,000	6.50%	2045	500,000
Subordinated debt issued by joint ventures		48,234	_	48,234	_	2019 - 2020	55,780
Fair value adjustment		NA	NA	(225)	NA	NA	(229)
TOTAL SUBORDINATED		1,548,234		1,548,009			1,555,551
Debt issuance costs and debt discounts		NA	NA	(187,945)	NA	NA	(191,598)
	398	\$ 37,554,097	\$ 8,061,016	\$29,480,258			\$ 28,389,202

<sup>(</sup>a) The weighted average interest rate for our floating rate debt is calculated based on the applicable U.S. dollar LIBOR rate as of the most recent interest payment date of the respective debt, and excludes the impact of related derivative financial instruments which we hold to hedge our exposure to floating interest rates, as well as any amortization of debt issuance costs and debt discounts. The institutional secured term loans and secured portfolio loans also contain base rate interest alternatives.

<sup>(</sup>b) In addition to the aircraft, 64 engines are pledged as collateral.

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### 13. Debt (Continued)

As of December 31, 2018, all debt was guaranteed by AerCap with the exception of the AerFunding Revolving Credit Facility, the Glide Funding term loan facility and \$137.8 million of debt included in other secured debt that is limited recourse in nature.

Maturities of our debt financings (excluding fair value adjustments, debt issuance costs and debt discounts) as of December 31, 2018 were as follows:

	turities of debt financing
2019	\$ 4,108,660
2020	4,008,209
2021	3,783,405
2022	7,246,201
2023	3,414,995
Thereafter	6,931,611
	\$ 29,493,081

During the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, we recorded amortization expense for debt issuance costs and debt discounts of \$64.2 million and \$65.4 million, respectively. The unamortized debt issuance costs and debt discounts as of December 31, 2018 are expected to be amortized through 2045.

### **ILFC Legacy Notes**

The following table provides a summary of the outstanding senior unsecured notes issued by ILFC prior to the ILFC Transaction (the "ILFC Legacy Notes") as of December 31, 2018:

	turities of ILFC Legacy Notes
2019	\$ 2,000,000
2020	1,000,000
2021	500,000
2022	1,400,000
	\$ 4,900,000

All of the ILFC Legacy Notes bear interest at fixed rates ranging from 4.625% to 8.625%. The notes are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturity and there are no sinking fund requirements.

The indentures governing the ILFC Legacy Notes contain customary covenants that, among other things, restrict our, and our restricted subsidiaries', ability to (i) incur liens on assets; (ii) declare or pay dividends or acquire or retire shares of our capital stock during certain events of default; (iii) designate restricted subsidiaries as unrestricted subsidiaries or designate unrestricted subsidiaries; (iv) make investments in or transfer assets to unrestricted subsidiaries; and (v) consolidate, merge, sell, or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of our assets. The indentures also provide for customary events of default, including, but not limited to, the failure to pay scheduled principal and interest payments on the notes, the failure to comply with covenants and agreements specified in the indentures, the acceleration of certain other indebtedness resulting from non-payment of that indebtedness and certain events of insolvency. If any event of default occurs, any amount then outstanding under the indentures may immediately become due and payable.

Upon consummation of the ILFC Transaction, AerCap Trust became the successor issuer under the ILFC Legacy Notes indentures. ILFC also agreed to continue to be co-obligor. In addition, AerCap Holdings N.V. and certain of its subsidiaries became guarantors of the ILFC Legacy Notes.

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## 13. Debt (Continued)

### **AerCap Trust & AICDC Notes**

From time to time since the completion of the ILFC Transaction, AerCap Trust and AICDC have co-issued additional senior unsecured notes (the "AGAT/AICDC Notes"). The proceeds from these offerings have been used for general corporate purposes.

The following table provides a summary of the outstanding AGAT/AICDC Notes as of December 31, 2018:

	Maturities ofAICDC N	
2019	\$ 1,09	99,864
2020	1,50	00,000
2021	1,90	00,000
2022	2,10	00,000
2023	1,20	00,000
Thereafter	2,95	50,000
	\$ 10,74	49,864

All of the AGAT/AICDC Notes bear interest at fixed rates ranging from 3.3% to 5.0%.

In January 2019, AerCap Trust and AICDC co-issued \$700.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.45% senior notes due 2021 and \$400.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.875% senior notes due 2024. The proceeds from the offering were used for general corporate purposes.

The AGAT/AICDC Notes are jointly and severally and fully and unconditionally guaranteed by AerCap Holdings N.V. and by AerCap Ireland, AerCap Aviation Solutions, ILFC and AerCap U.S. Global Aviation LLC. Except as described below, the AGAT/AICDC Notes are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturity and there are no sinking fund requirements. We may redeem each series of the AGAT/AICDC Notes in whole or in part, at any time, at a price equal to 100% of the aggregate principal amount plus the applicable "make-whole" premium plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date.

The indentures governing the AGAT/AICDC Notes contain customary covenants that, among other things, restrict our, and our restricted subsidiaries', ability to incur liens on assets and to consolidate, merge, sell, or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of our assets. The indentures also provide for customary events of default, including, but not limited to, the failure to pay scheduled principal and interest payments on the AGAT/AICDC Notes, the failure to comply with covenants and agreements specified in the indentures, the acceleration of certain other indebtedness resulting from non-payment of that indebtedness and certain events of insolvency. If any event of default occurs, any amount then outstanding under the indentures may immediately become due and payable.

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### 13. Debt (Continued)

Revolving credit facilities

#### **Asia Revolving Credit Facility**

In December 2015, AerCap entered into an unsecured revolving and term loan agreement (the "Asia Revolver").

In March 2018, we entered into a new Asia Revolver which increased the size of the facility to \$950.0 million and extended the maturity to March 2022, and the previous facility was cancelled. The interest rate for borrowings under the facility is LIBOR plus a margin of 1.55%.

## Citi Revolving Credit Facility

In March 2014, AICDC entered into a senior unsecured revolving credit facility (the "Citi Revolver"). In 2017, the facility was upsized twice and the maturity of the facility was extended to February 2021. In February 2018, the facility was further upsized to \$4.0 billion. The interest rate for borrowings under the facility is LIBOR plus a margin of 1.50%.

The obligations under the Asia Revolver and the Citi Revolver are guaranteed by AerCap and certain of its subsidiaries. Availability of borrowings under the Asia Revolver and the Citi Revolver is subject to the satisfaction of customary conditions precedent. We have the right to terminate or cancel, in whole or in part, the unused portions of the commitment amounts.

Both the Asia Revolver and the Citi Revolver contain covenants customary for unsecured financings of this type, including financial covenants that require us to maintain compliance with a maximum ratio of consolidated indebtedness to shareholders' equity, a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio and a maximum ratio of unencumbered assets to certain financial indebtedness.

The facilities also contain covenants that, among other things, restrict, subject to certain exceptions, the ability of AerCap to sell assets, make certain restricted payments and incur certain liens.

### **AIG Revolving Credit Facility**

In June 2018, we terminated the AIG Revolving Credit Facility, which had a maturity date of October 2019.

## **Export credit facilities**

The following table provides details regarding the terms of our outstanding export credit facilities:

	As of December 31, 2018						
	Collateral (Number of aircraft)	0	Weighted Amount average interest outstanding rate		Maturity		
European ECA facilities	28	\$	682,410	2.94%	2019 - 2030		
US Ex-Im facilities	4		166,962	1.66%	2022 - 2025		
	32	\$	849,372				

The principal amounts under the export credit facilities amortize over ten to 12-year terms. The export credit facilities require that SPEs controlled by the respective borrowers hold legal title to the financed aircraft. Obligations under the export credit facilities are secured by, among other things, a pledge of the shares of the SPEs.

The obligations under the export credit facilities are guaranteed by AerCap and certain of its subsidiaries, as well as various export credit agencies.

#### **Senior Secured Notes**

In August 2010, ILFC issued \$3.9 billion of senior secured notes in three tranches, including a final \$1.275 billion tranche that matured and was repaid in full in September 2018.

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## 13. Debt (Continued)

### Institutional secured term loans & secured portfolio loans

The following table provides details regarding the terms of our outstanding institutional secured term loans and secured portfolio loans:

	Collateral (Number of aircraft) (a)	Commitment	Undrawn amounts	Amount outstanding	Weighted average interest rate	Maturity
Institutional secured term loans						
Hyperion	94	\$ 1,500,000	\$ —	\$ 1,500,000	4.55%	2023
Vancouver	56	750,000	_	750,000	4.55%	2022
Secured portfolio loans						
Scandium	7	772,981	173,500	599,481	4.37%	2025
Temescal	49	666,969	_	666,969	4.76%	2023
Celtago	13	659,203	_	659,203	3.37%	2024
Celtago II	13	580,736	_	580,736	3.90%	2022
BlowFishFunding	9	533,108	_	533,108	4.34%	2022
Iridium	8	519,111	_	519,111	4.11%	2024
Other secured facilities	31	3,115,420	1,391,000	1,724,420	4.20%	2020 - 2030
	280	\$ 9,097,528	\$ 1,564,500	\$ 7,533,028		

<sup>(</sup>a) These loans are secured by a combination of aircraft and the equity interests in the borrower and certain SPE subsidiaries of the borrower that own the aircraft.

## Institutional secured term loans

The Hyperion and Vancouver institutional term loans were originally entered into in 2014 and 2012, respectively. The obligations of the respective borrowers of each loan are guaranteed by AerCap and certain of its subsidiaries.

The Hyperion and Vancouver loans each contain customary covenants and events of default for financings of this type, including covenants that limit the ability of the subsidiary borrowers and their subsidiaries to incur additional indebtedness and create liens, and covenants that limit the ability of the guarantors, the subsidiary borrowers and their subsidiaries to consolidate, merge or dispose of all or substantially all of their assets and enter into transactions with affiliates.

## Secured portfolio loans

The obligations of each of the respective borrowers under each loan are guaranteed by AerCap and certain of its subsidiaries.

These loans contain customary covenants and events of default for financings of this type, including covenants that limit the ability of the borrower and its subsidiaries to incur additional indebtedness and create liens, and covenants that limit the ability of the guarantors and the borrower and its subsidiaries to consolidate, merge or dispose of all or substantially all of their assets or enter into transactions with affiliates.

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## 13. Debt (Continued)

### **AerFunding Revolving Credit Facility**

AerFunding 1 Limited ("AerFunding") is a SPE whose share capital is owned 95% by a charitable trust and 5% by AerCap Ireland. AerFunding is a consolidated subsidiary formed for the purpose of acquiring aircraft assets. In April 2006, AerFunding entered into a non-recourse senior secured revolving credit facility that was subsequently increased in 2017 to \$2.5 billion.

In August 2017, the facility was amended to allow for a three-year revolving period, effective December, 2017. Following the revolving credit period, which expires in 2020, there is a two-year term out period to December 2022. The maturity date of the AerFunding Revolving Credit Facility is December 2022.

Borrowings under the AerFunding Revolving Credit Facility bear interest based on the Eurodollar rate plus the applicable margin. The following table presents the applicable margin for the borrowings under the AerFunding Revolving Credit Facility during the periods specified:

	Applicable margin
Borrowing period	2.00%
Period from December 2020 to December 2021	2.75%
Period from December 2021 to December 2022	3.50%

Interest on the loans is due on a monthly basis. Principal on the loans amortizes on a monthly basis to the extent funds are available. All outstanding principal not paid during the term is due on the maturity date.

Borrowings under the AerFunding Revolving Credit Facility are secured by, among other things, security interests in and pledges or assignments of equity ownership and beneficial interests in all of the subsidiaries of AerFunding, as well as by AerFunding's interests in the leases of its assets.

#### Other secured debt

AerCap has entered into a number of financings, provided by a range of banks and non-bank financial institutions, to fund the purchase of aircraft and for general corporate purposes.

The majority of the financings are guaranteed by AerCap and are secured by, among other things, a pledge of the shares of the subsidiaries owning the related aircraft and, in certain cases, a mortgage on the applicable aircraft. All of our financings contain affirmative covenants customary for secured financings of this type.

## **ECAPS Subordinated Notes**

In December 2005, ILFC issued two tranches of subordinated notes in an aggregate principal amount of \$1.0 billion. Both the \$400.0 million and \$600.0 million tranches have a floating interest rate, with margins of 1.80% and 1.55% respectively, plus the highest of three-month LIBOR, ten-year constant maturity U.S. Treasury, and 30-year constant maturity U.S. Treasury.

The ECAPS contain customary financial tests, including a minimum ratio of equity to total managed assets and a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio. Failure to comply with these financial tests will result in a "mandatory trigger event." If a mandatory trigger event occurs and we are unable to raise sufficient capital in a manner permitted by the terms of the subordinated debt to cover the next interest payment on the subordinated debt, a "mandatory deferral event" will occur, requiring us to defer all interest payments and prohibiting the payment of cash dividends on AerCap Trust's or ILFC's capital stock or its equivalent until both financial tests are met or we have raised sufficient capital to pay all accumulated and unpaid interest on the subordinated debt. Mandatory trigger events and mandatory deferral events are not events of default under the indenture governing the subordinated debt.

Upon consummation of the ILFC Transaction, the subordinated notes were assumed by AerCap Trust, and AerCap and certain of its subsidiaries became guarantors. ILFC remains a co-obligor under the indentures governing the subordinated notes.

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### 13. Debt (Continued)

#### **Junior Subordinated Notes**

In June 2015, AerCap Trust issued \$500.0 million of junior subordinated notes due 2045 (the "Junior Subordinated Notes"). The Junior Subordinated Notes currently bear interest at a fixed interest rate of 6.5%, and beginning in June 2025, will bear interest at a floating rate of three-month LIBOR plus 4.3%.

We may defer any interest payments on the Junior Subordinated Notes for up to five consecutive deferral periods. At the end of five years following the commencement of any deferral period, we must pay all accrued and unpaid deferred interest, including compounded interest. The Junior Subordinated Notes are guaranteed by AerCap and certain of its subsidiaries.

We may at our option redeem the Junior Subordinated Notes before their maturity in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time, on or after June 15, 2025 at 100% of their principal amount plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon. We may redeem the Junior Subordinated Notes prior to such date in whole, but not in part, upon a rating agency event (at the makewhole redemption price), upon certain tax events (at 100% of their principal amount plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon) and upon a change of control triggering event (at 101% of their principal amount plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon). In the event that we do not redeem the Junior Subordinated Notes in connection with a change of control triggering event, the then-applicable annual interest rate borne by the Junior Subordinated Notes will increase by 5.0%.

The Junior Subordinated Notes are junior subordinated unsecured obligations, rank equally with all of AerCap Trust's future equally ranking junior subordinated indebtedness, if any, and are subordinate and junior in right of payment to all of AerCap Trust's existing and future senior indebtedness.

## Subordinated debt issued by joint ventures

In 2008 and 2010, AerCap and our joint venture partner each purchased subordinated loan notes issued by the joint ventures. The subordinated debt held by AerCap is eliminated in consolidation of the joint ventures.

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## 14. Accrued maintenance liability

Movements in accrued maintenance liability during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,				
		2018		2017	
Accrued maintenance liability at beginning of period	\$	2,882,626	\$	3,137,904	
Maintenance payments received		743,256		756,314	
Maintenance payments returned		(459,326)		(523,403)	
Release to income upon sale		(267,173)		(344,824)	
Release to income other than upon sale		(341,774)		(325,382)	
Lessor contribution, top ups and other		185,035		168,316	
Interest accretion		8,667		13,701	
Accrued maintenance liability at end of period	\$	2,751,311	\$	2,882,626	

## 15. Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities

Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities consisted of the following as of December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	As of December 31,			
		2018	2017	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	294,251	\$	307,391
Deferred revenue		421,542		452,846
Accrued interest		262,559		254,865
Derivative liabilities (Note 9)		29,321		_
Guarantees (Note 26)		2,272		2,272
	\$	1,009,945	\$	1,017,374

## 16. Lease revenue

Our current operating lease agreements expire up to and over the next 14 years. The contracted minimum future lease payments receivable from lessees for flight equipment on non-cancelable operating leases for our owned aircraft and engines as of December 31, 2018 were as follows:

	tracted minimum re lease payments receivable
2019	\$ 4,085,052
2020	3,722,474
2021	3,434,494
2022	3,148,553
2023	2,861,153
Thereafter	 10,555,593
	\$ 27,807,319

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### 17. Geographic information

The following table presents (i) the percentage of lease revenue attributable to individual countries representing at least 10% of our total lease revenue in any year presented; and (ii) the percentage of lease revenue attributable to Ireland, our country of domicile, based on each lessee's principal place of business, for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	Year Ended December 31,						
		2018	3		20	17	
		Amount	%		Amount	%	
China (a)	\$	639,316	13.8 %	\$	648,343	13.7%	
United States		528,687	11.4%		568,999	12.0%	
Ireland		184,916	4.0 %		120,500	2.5 %	
Other countries (b)		3,264,708	70.8 %		3,398,934	71.8 %	
	\$	4,617,627	100.0%	\$	4,736,776	100.0%	

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes mainland China, Hong Kong and Macau.

The following table presents (i) the percentage of long-lived assets, including flight equipment held for operating leases, net investment in finance and sales-type leases and maintenance rights assets, attributable to individual countries representing at least 10% of our total long-lived assets in any year presented, and (ii) the percentage of long-lived assets attributable to Ireland, our country of domicile, based on each lessee's principal place of business, as of December 31, 2018 and 2017:

		As of December 31,						
	2018		20	17				
	Amount	%	Amount	%				
China (a)	\$ 7,636,756	20.6 %	\$ 5,217,284	14.8 %				
United States	4,372,510	11.8%	4,814,462	13.6%				
Ireland	1,606,918	4.3 %	1,141,992	3.2 %				
Other countries (b)	23,537,972	63.3 %	24,145,107	68.4%				
	\$ 37,154,156	100.0%	\$ 35,318,845	100.0%				

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes mainland China, Hong Kong and Macau.

We lease and sell aircraft to airlines and others throughout the world and our trade and notes receivables are from entities located throughout the world. During the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, we had no lessees that represented more than 10% of total lease revenue.

### 18. Other income

Other income consisted of the following for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2018		2017		
Management fees	\$ 14,539	\$	13,426		
Other	11,968		56,540	(a)	
	\$ 26,507	\$	69,966		

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes income from lease terminations of \$46.5 million.

<sup>(</sup>b) No individual country within this category accounts for more than 10% of our lease revenue.

<sup>(</sup>b) No individual country within this category accounts for more than 10% of our long-lived assets.

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### 19. Personnel expenses

Personnel expenses consisted of the following for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	Year Ended December 31,				
	 2018	2017			
Salary, bonus and other benefits	\$ 113,021	\$	137,712		
Share-based compensation	95,176		107,719		
Social securities	12,094		13,005		
Pensions	7,579		6,009		
	\$ 227,870	\$	264,445		

### Share-based compensation

Under our equity incentive plans, we have granted restricted stock units, restricted stock and stock options to directors, officers and employees to attract and retain them on competitive terms, and to incentivize superior performance with a view to creating long-term value for the benefit of the Company, its shareholders and other stakeholders.

### AerCap equity grants

In March 2012, we implemented an equity incentive plan (the "Equity Incentive Plan 2012") which provides for the grant of equity awards to participants of the plan selected by the Nomination and Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors. The maximum number of shares available under the plan is equivalent to 8,064,081 Company shares. The Equity Incentive Plan 2012 is not open for equity awards to our directors.

On May 14, 2014, we implemented an equity incentive plan (the "Equity Incentive Plan 2014") which provides for the grant of equity awards to participants of the plan selected by the Nomination and Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors. The maximum number of shares available under the plan is equivalent to 4,500,000 Company shares. The Equity Incentive Plan 2014 is open for equity awards to our directors.

The Equity Incentive Plan 2014 replaced an equity incentive plan that was implemented in October 2006 (the "Equity Incentive Plan 2006"). The Equity Incentive Plan 2014, Equity Incentive Plan 2012 and Equity Incentive Plan 2006 are collectively referred to herein as "AerCap Equity Plans." Prior awards remain in effect pursuant to their terms and conditions. The terms and conditions of the Equity Incentive Plan 2006 and the Equity Incentive Plan 2014 are substantially the same.

The terms and conditions, including the vesting conditions, of the equity awards granted under AerCap Equity Plans are determined by the Nomination and Compensation Committee and, for our directors, by the Board of Directors in line with the remuneration policies approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders. The vesting periods of the majority of equity awards range between three years and five years. Our long-term equity awards are subject to long-term performance vesting criteria, based on the Company's U.S. GAAP EPS budget over the specified periods, in order to promote and encourage superior performance over a prolonged period of time. Some of our officers receive annual equity awards as part of their compensation package. Annual equity awards are granted after the year end and the number of awards granted is dependent on the Company's actual performance relative to the U.S. GAAP EPS budget and the respective officer's personal performance during the previous financial year. All outstanding awards of restricted stock units are convertible into ordinary shares of the Company at a ratio of one-to-one, prior to deduction for payroll withholding taxes. Shares subject to outstanding equity awards, which are not issued or delivered by reason of, amongst others, the cancellation or forfeiture of such awards or the withholding of such shares to settle tax obligations, shall again be available under the AerCap Equity Plans.

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## 19. Personnel expenses (Continued)

The following table presents movements in the outstanding restricted stock units and restricted stock under the AerCap Equity Plans during the year ended December 31, 2018:

	Year Ended December 31, 2018							
	Number of time- based restricted stock units and restricted stock	Number of performance- based restricted stock units and restricted stock	ance- average grant tricted date fair value of its and time-based			Veighted rage grant fair value of formance- d grants (\$)		
Number at beginning of period	3,376,087	6,122,249	\$	46.85	\$	47.12		
Granted (a)	960,381	1,205,937		51.44		51.50		
Vested (b)	(1,955,812)	(4,693,902)		46.73		46.48		
Forfeited	(75,454)	(140,977)		51.48		51.58		
Number at end of period	2,305,202	2,493,307	\$	48.72	\$	50.18		

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes 1,922,128 shares of restricted stock granted under the AerCap Equity Plans, of which 1,474,697 shares of restricted stock were issued with the remaining 447,431 shares being withheld and applied to pay the taxes involved. As part of the 447,431 shares withheld to pay for taxes, 189,741 shares were treated as granted and subsequently vested on the grant date under specific Irish tax legislation. As a result, we recognized an expense of \$9.8 million on the grant dates associated with these shares.

The following table presents movements in the outstanding stock options under the Equity Incentive Plan 2006 (no options were granted under the Equity Incentive Plan 2012 or Equity Incentive Plan 2014) during the year ended December 31, 2018. All outstanding options under the Equity Incentive Plan 2006 have vested.

	Year Ended December 31, 2018				
	Number of options		d average price (\$)		
Options outstanding at beginning of period	37,945	\$	13.02		
Exercised	(7,531)		13.12		
Options outstanding at end of period	30,414	\$	13.00		

The amount of share-based compensation expense is determined by reference to the fair value of the restricted stock units or restricted stock on the grant date, based on the trading price of the Company's shares on the grant date and reflective of the probability of vesting. All outstanding options have been fully expensed.

We recognized share-based compensation expense of \$95.2 million and \$107.7 million during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The following table presents our expected share-based compensation expense based on existing grants, assuming that the established performance criteria are met and that no forfeitures occur:

	Expected share-based compensation expense
	(U.S. Dollars in millions)
2019	\$ 58.5
2020	42.0
2021	27.4
2022	10.9
2023	1.7

<sup>(</sup>b) 3,508,469 restricted stock units, which were previously granted under the AerCap Equity Plans, vested. In connection with the vesting of the restricted stock units, the Company issued, in full satisfaction of its obligations, 2,062,143 ordinary shares to the holders of these restricted stock units, with the remainder being withheld and applied to pay the taxes in respect of those awards. Restrictions on 2,951,504 shares of restricted stock (2,120,185 shares of restricted stock net of withholding for taxes) lapsed during the period. In addition, 189,741 shares were treated as granted and subsequently vested on the grant dates as described in (a) above.

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## 19. Personnel expenses (Continued)

#### Pension

We operate defined benefit plans and defined contribution pension plans for our employees. All of these plans, individually or on an aggregate basis, do not have a material impact on our Consolidated Balance Sheets or Consolidated Income Statements.

### **Employees**

The following table presents the number of employees relating to our aircraft leasing business at each of our principal geographic locations as of December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	As of Dece	mber 31,
<b>Location</b>	2018	2017
Dublin, Ireland	207	205
Shannon, Ireland	78	75
Los Angeles, California	46	54
Singapore	41	43
Other (a)	13	30
Total (b)	385	407

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes employees located in the Netherlands, China, France, the United Kingdom, the United Arab Emirates and throughout the United States, other than Los Angeles, California.

## 20. Asset impairment

Our long-lived assets include flight equipment and intangible fixed assets. We test long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts of the assets may not be recoverable from its discounted cash flows.

The following assumptions drive the discounted cash flows for flight equipment: contracted lease rents per aircraft through current lease expiry, subsequent re-lease rates based on current marketing information, the discount rate (2018: 5.8%, 2017: 5.6%) and residual values based on current market transactions. We review and stress test our key assumptions to reflect any observed weakness in the global economic environment. Deterioration of the global economic environment and a decrease of aircraft values might have a negative effect on the discounted cash flows of older aircraft and might trigger impairments. There can be no assurance that the Company's estimates and assumptions regarding the economic environment, or the period or strength of recovery, made for purposes of the long-lived asset impairment tests will prove to be accurate predictions of the future.

During the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, we recognized net impairment charges of \$68.0 million and \$83.7 million, respectively.

# 21. Other expenses

Other expenses consisted of the following for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	Year Ende	Year Ended December 31,				
	2018	2017				
Travel expenses	\$ 21,790	\$ 19,774				
Professional services	24,264	28,585				
Office expenses	14,784	16,105				
Directors' expenses	3,169	3,345				
Other expenses	13,349	16,037				
Restructuring related expenses	_	14,605				
	\$ 77,350	\$ 98,451				

<sup>(</sup>b) Includes one and two part-time employees, respectively, as of December 31, 2018 and 2017.

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#### 22. Income taxes

Our subsidiaries are subject to taxation in a number of tax jurisdictions, principally Ireland, the United States, and the Netherlands.

The following table presents our income taxes by tax jurisdiction for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	 Year Ended December 31,				
	 2018		2017		
Deferred tax expense (benefit)					
Ireland	\$ 131,703	\$	141,304		
United States	3,672		27,503		
The Netherlands	1,834		(15,167)		
Other	1,093		(392)		
	138,302		153,248		
Current tax expense (benefit)					
Ireland	(27)		5,606		
United States	(3,691)		(1,659)		
The Netherlands	(307)		717		
Other	516		3,033		
	(3,509)		7,697		
Income taxes	\$ 134,793	\$	160,945		

The following table provides a reconciliation of the statutory income tax expense to income taxes for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	Year Ended December 31,					
	 2018		2017			
Income tax expense at statutory income tax rate of 12.5%	\$ 130,566	\$	147,175			
Permanent differences	6,271 (a	a)	26,861 (b)			
Foreign rate differential	(2,044)		(13,091)			
	4,227		13,770			
Income taxes	\$ 134,793	\$	160,945			

<sup>(</sup>a) The 2018 permanent differences included non-deductible share-based compensation in Ireland and in the Netherlands, and a valuation allowance change in respect of U.S., Dutch and Irish tax losses.

The effective tax rate was 12.9% for the year ended December 31, 2018 as compared to 13.7% for the year ended December 31, 2017.

<sup>(</sup>b) The 2017 permanent differences included non-deductible share-based compensation in Ireland and in the Netherlands and a non-deductible intercompany interest allocated to the United States.

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## 22. Income taxes (Continued)

The following tables provide details regarding the principal components of our deferred income tax liabilities and assets by jurisdiction as of December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	 As of December 31, 2018								
	Ireland	U	Inited States	]	The Netherlands		Other		Total
Depreciation/impairment	\$ (1,575,271)	\$	254	\$	4,807	\$	(887)	\$	(1,571,097)
Intangibles	(7,863)		(6,108)						(13,971)
Financial expense	_		(126)		_		_		(126)
Accrued maintenance liability	60,986		4,509				_		65,495
Obligations under capital leases and debt obligations	(4,255)		_		_		_		(4,255)
Participations	_		(8,619)				_		(8,619)
Deferred losses on sale of assets	_		28,770		_		_		28,770
Accrued expenses	_		1,952		_		_		1,952
Losses and credits forward	993,380		5,206		12,832		7,099		1,018,517
Other	(77,973)		(1,324)		(1,760)		(2,454)		(83,511)
Net deferred income tax (liabilities) assets	\$ (610,996)	\$	24,514	\$	15,879	\$	3,758	\$	(566,845)

	As of December 31, 2017								
	Ireland		United States		The Netherlands		Other		Total
Depreciation/impairment	\$ (1,295,596)	\$	1,553	\$	\$ 7,771	\$	327	\$	(1,285,945)
Intangibles	(5,667)		(5,341)				_		(11,008)
Financial expense	_		(166)		_		_		(166)
Accrued maintenance liability	48,241		4,055				_		52,296
Obligations under capital leases and debt obligations	(4,691)		_		_		_		(4,691)
Participations	_		(8,095)				_		(8,095)
Deferred losses on sale of assets	_		32,119		_		_		32,119
Accrued expenses	_		7,338				_		7,338
Losses and credits forward	847,846		(723)		7,807		2,024		856,954
Other	(70,042)		(2,543)		(542)		2,500		(70,627)
Net deferred income tax (liabilities) assets	\$ (479,909)	\$	28,197	\$	\$ 15,036	\$	4,851	\$	(431,825)

The net deferred income tax liabilities as of December 31, 2018 of \$566.8 million were recognized in our Consolidated Balance Sheet as deferred income tax assets of \$173.5 million and as deferred income tax liabilities of \$740.4 million.

The net deferred income tax liabilities as of December 31, 2017 of \$431.8 million were recognized in our Consolidated Balance Sheet as deferred income tax assets of \$189.5 million and as deferred income tax liabilities of \$621.3 million.

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, we had \$29.8 million and \$31.0 million, respectively, of unrecognized tax benefits. Substantially all of the unrecognized tax benefits as of December 31, 2018, if recognized, would affect our effective tax rate. Although it is reasonably possible that a change in the balance of unrecognized tax benefits may occur within the next 12 months, based on the information currently available, we do not expect any change to be material to our consolidated financial condition.

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## 22. Income taxes (Continued)

Our primary tax jurisdictions are Ireland, the United States and the Netherlands. Our tax returns are open for examination in Ireland from 2014 forward, in the United States from 2014 forward and in the Netherlands from 2013 forward.

Our policy is to recognize accrued interest on the underpayment of income taxes as a component of financial expense and penalties associated with tax liabilities as a component of income taxes.

#### Ireland

Since 2006, the enacted Irish corporate income tax rate has been 12.5%. Some of our Irish tax-resident operating subsidiaries have significant loss carry forwards as of December 31, 2018 which give rise to deferred income tax assets. The availability of these loss carry forwards does not expire with time. In addition, the vast majority of all of our Irish tax-resident subsidiaries are entitled to accelerated aircraft depreciation for tax purposes and shelter net taxable income with the surrender of losses on a current year basis within the Irish tax group. Based on projected taxable profits in our Irish subsidiaries, we expect to recover the majority of the value of our Irish tax assets.

### **United States**

Our U.S. subsidiaries are assessable to federal and state U.S. taxes. Since the ILFC Transaction, we no longer file one consolidated federal income tax return. We have two distinct groups of U.S. companies that file consolidated returns. The blended federal and state tax rate applicable to our combined U.S. group was 22.0% for the year ended December 31, 2018. Due to a restructuring of activities in the U.S. ILFC/AeroTurbine group, which started in late 2015, we do not expect to generate sufficient sources of taxable income to realize a portion of our deferred income tax asset in the United States. The U.S. AerCap group is also not expected to generate sufficient sources of taxable income to realize a portion of its deferred income tax asset in the United States. Additionally, certain tax attributes are subject to annual limitations as a result of changes in ownership in 2015 as defined under Internal Revenue Code Section 382. Our U.S. federal net operating losses generated through December 31, 2017, expire between 2026 and 2038. Any U.S. federal net operating losses generated in tax years beginning after December 31, 2017 will have an unlimited carry forward period.

On December 22, 2017, the United States enacted new tax legislation (the "Tax Legislation") that significantly revises the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Tax Legislation included, among other things, a reduction of the U.S. corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21% effective January 1, 2018. As a result of the Tax Legislation, we reassessed our deferred tax assets and liabilities and recorded a tax expense in 2017 of approximately \$22 million and do not expect any other provisions to have a material impact.

#### The Netherlands

The majority of our Dutch subsidiaries form one fiscal unity and are included in one consolidated tax filing. The current tax expense primarily arises due to the existence of interest bearing intercompany receivables. Deferred income tax is calculated using the Dutch corporate income tax rate which will decrease from the current rate of 25.0% to 22.55% in 2020 and 20.5% in 2021 and future years. In respect of the year ended December 31, 2018, tax losses in the Netherlands can generally be carried back one year and carried forward nine years before expiry. From January 1, 2019, tax losses can only be carried forward for six years.

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## 23. Earnings per share

Basic EPS is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted average number of our ordinary shares outstanding, which excludes 2,429,442 and 3,007,752 shares of unvested restricted stock as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. For the calculation of diluted EPS, the weighted average of our ordinary shares outstanding for basic EPS is adjusted by the effect of dilutive securities provided under our equity compensation plans. The number of shares excluded from diluted shares outstanding was 90,929 and 509,677 for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, because the effect of including those shares in the calculation would have been anti-dilutive.

The computations of basic and diluted EPS for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

		Year Ended December 31,			
		2018	2017		
Net income for the computation of basic EPS	\$	918,515	\$	1,021,452	
Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding—basic	14	15,162,220	16	1,059,552	
Basic EPS	\$	6.33	\$	6.34	

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2018			2017	
Net income for the computation of diluted EPS	\$	918,515	\$	1,021,452	
Weighted average ordinary shares outstanding—diluted	1	48,706,266	]	167,287,508	
Diluted EPS	\$	6.18	\$	6.11	

The computations of ordinary shares outstanding, excluding shares of unvested restricted stock, as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	As of Dece	mber 31,
	2018	2017
	Number of ord	inary shares
Ordinary shares issued	151,847,345	167,847,345
Treasury shares	(9,172,681)	(14,855,244)
Ordinary shares outstanding	142,674,664	152,992,101
Shares of unvested restricted stock	(2,429,442)	(3,007,752)
Ordinary shares outstanding, excluding shares of unvested restricted stock	140,245,222	149,984,349

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## 24. Special purpose entities

We use many forms of entities to achieve our leasing and financing business objectives and we have participated to varying degrees in the design and formation of these entities. Our involvement in SPEs varies and includes being a passive investor in the SPE with involvement from other parties, managing and structuring all the SPE's activities, or being the sole shareholder of the SPE.

During the year ended December 31, 2018, we did not provide any financial support to any of our SPEs that we were not contractually obligated to provide.

### **Consolidated SPEs**

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, substantially all assets and liabilities presented in our Consolidated Balance Sheets were held in consolidated SPEs. Further details of debt held by our consolidated SPEs are disclosed in Note 13—Debt.

# Wholly-owned ECA and Ex-Im financing vehicles

We have created certain wholly-owned subsidiaries for the purpose of purchasing aircraft and obtaining financing secured by such aircraft. The secured debt is guaranteed by the European ECAs and the Export-Import Bank of the United States. These entities meet the definition of a SPE because they do not have sufficient equity to operate without subordinated financial support from us in the form of intercompany notes. We have determined that we are the PB of these entities because we control and manage all aspects of these entities, including directing the activities that most significantly affect the entities' economic performance, we absorb the majority of the risks and rewards of these entities and we guarantee the activities of these entities.

#### Other secured financings

We have created a number of wholly-owned subsidiaries for the purpose of obtaining secured financings. These entities meet the definition of a SPE because they do not have sufficient equity to operate without subordinated financial support from us in the form of intercompany notes. We have determined that we are the PB of these entities because we control and manage all aspects of these entities, including directing the activities that most significantly affect the entities' economic performance, we absorb the majority of the risks and rewards of these entities and we guarantee the activities of these entities.

## Wholly-owned leasing entities

We have created wholly-owned subsidiaries for the purpose of facilitating aircraft leases with airlines. These entities meet the definition of a SPE because they do not have sufficient equity to operate without subordinated financial support from us in the form of intercompany notes, which serve as equity. We have determined that we are the PB of these entities because we control and manage all aspects of these entities, including directing the activities that most significantly affect the entities' economic performance, we absorb the majority of the risks and rewards of these entities and we guarantee the activities of these entities.

## Limited recourse financing structures

We have established entities to obtain secured financings for the purchase of aircraft in which we have variable interests. These entities meet the definition of a SPE because they do not have sufficient equity to operate without subordinated financial support from us in the form of intercompany notes. The loans of these entities are non-recourse to us except under limited circumstances. We have determined that we are the PB of these entities because we control and manage all aspects of these entities, including directing the activities that most significantly affect the entities' economic performance, and we absorb the majority of the risks and rewards of these entities.

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## 24. Special purpose entities (Continued)

### AerCap Partners I

AerCap Partners I Holding Limited ("AerCap Partners I") is a 50%-50% joint venture owned by us and Deucalion Aviation Funds. We provide lease management, insurance management and aircraft asset management services to AerCap Partners I for a fee. We have determined that we are the PB of the entity because we direct the activities that most significantly affect the economic performance of the entity and we absorb a significant portion of the risks and rewards of the entity.

As of December 31, 2018, AerCap Partners I had a portfolio consisting of six Boeing 737NG aircraft. As of December 31, 2018, AerCap Partners I had \$14.8 million outstanding under a senior debt facility, which is guaranteed by us, and \$63.8 million of subordinated debt outstanding, consisting of \$31.9 million from us and \$31.9 million from our joint venture partner.

## AerCap Partners 767

AerCap Partners 767 Limited ("AerCap Partners 767") is a 50%-50% joint venture owned by us and Deucalion Aviation Funds. We provide lease management, insurance management and aircraft asset management services to AerCap Partners 767 for a fee. We have determined that we are the PB of the entity because we direct the activities that most significantly affect the economic performance of the entity and we absorb a significant portion of the risks and rewards of the entity.

As of December 31, 2018, AerCap Partners 767 had a portfolio consisting of two Boeing 767-300ER aircraft. As of December 31, 2018, AerCap Partners 767 had \$4.5 million outstanding under a senior debt facility, which is limited recourse to us, and \$32.6 million of subordinated debt outstanding, consisting of \$16.3 million from us and \$16.3 million from our joint venture partner.

### **AerFunding**

We hold a 5% equity investment and 100% of the subordinated fixed rate deferrable interest asset-backed notes ("AerFunding Class E-1 Notes") in AerFunding. We provide lease management, insurance management and aircraft asset management services to AerFunding for a fee. We have determined that we are the PB of the entity because we direct the activities that most significantly affect the economic performance of the entity and we absorb the majority of the risks and rewards of the entity.

As of December 31, 2018, AerFunding had a portfolio consisting of one Airbus A320 Family aircraft, two Airbus A320neo Family aircraft, two Airbus A350 aircraft, six Boeing 737NG aircraft and five Boeing 787 aircraft. As of December 31, 2018, AerFunding had \$919.5 million outstanding under a secured revolving credit facility and \$349.2 million of AerFunding Class E-1 Notes outstanding due to us.

### Non-consolidated participations

The following table presents our maximum exposure to loss in participations as of December 31, 2018 and 2017:

As of December 31,			
	2018		2017
\$	132,113	\$	122,946
	88,313		104,867
\$	220,426	\$	227,813
	\$ <b>\$</b>	<b>2018</b> \$ 132,113 88,313	<b>2018</b> \$ 132,113 \$ 88,313

The maximum exposure to loss represents the amount that would be absorbed by us in the event that all of our assets held in the participations, for which we are not the PB, had no value and outstanding debt guarantees were called upon in full.

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## 24. Special purpose entities (Continued)

#### **AerDragon**

AerDragon is a joint venture with 50% owned by China Aviation Supplies Holding Company and the other 50% owned in equal parts by us, affiliates of Crédit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank, and East Epoch Limited. This joint venture enhances our presence in the Chinese market and our ability to lease our aircraft and engines throughout the entire Asia/Pacific region. We provide accounting related services to AerDragon.

As of December 31, 2018, AerDragon owned 28 narrowbody aircraft.

We have determined that AerDragon is a participation in which we do not have control and therefore we are not the PB. We do have significant influence and, accordingly, we account for our participation in AerDragon under the net asset value method.

# AerLift

AerLift is a joint venture in which we have a 39% interest. We provide asset and lease management, insurance management and cash management services to AerLift for a fee. As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, we guaranteed debt of \$88.3 million and \$104.9 million, respectively, for AerLift. Other than the debt for which we act as a guarantor, the debt obligations of AerLift are non-recourse to us.

As of December 31, 2018, AerLift owned four widebody aircraft.

We have determined that AerLift is a participation in which we do not have control and therefore we are not the PB. We do have significant influence and, accordingly, we account for our participation in AerLift under the net asset value method.

#### ACSAL

In June 2013, we completed a transaction under which we sold eight Boeing 737-800 aircraft to ACSAL, an affiliate of Guggenheim, in exchange for cash, and we made a capital contribution to ACSAL in exchange for 19% of its equity. We provide aircraft asset and lease management services to ACSAL for a fee.

As of December 31, 2018, ACSAL owned eight aircraft.

We have determined that ACSAL is a participation in which we do not have control and therefore we are not the PB. We do have significant influence and, accordingly, we account for our participation in ACSAL under the net asset value method.

#### Peregrine

In December 2017, we invested in Peregrine, a vehicle established by NCB Capital for the purpose of acquiring a portfolio of aircraft from us. We have a 9.5% participation in Peregrine, and provide asset and lease management, insurance management, accounting and cash management services to Peregrine for a fee.

As of December 31, 2018, Peregrine owned 21 aircraft.

We have determined that Peregrine is a participation in which we do not have control and therefore we are not the PB. We account for our participation in Peregrine under the cost method.

## Other non-consolidated entities

We have variable interests in other entities in which we have determined we are not the PB because we do not have the power to direct the activities that most significantly affect the entities' economic performance. Our variable interest in these entities consists of aircraft management servicing fees.

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## 25. Related party transactions

#### **AerDragon**

We provide accounting related services to AerDragon, for which we received a fee of \$0.5 million and \$0.5 million during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. In addition, we received a dividend of \$1.7 million and \$3.3 million from AerDragon during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

### ACSAL

We provide aircraft asset and lease management services to ACSAL, for which we received a fee of \$0.5 million and \$0.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. In addition, we received a dividend of \$1.1 million and \$1.9 million from ACSAL during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

## AerLift

We provide a variety of management services to, and guarantee certain debt of, AerLift, for which we received a fee of \$1.7 million and \$1.8 million during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. In addition, we received dividends of \$0.4 million and \$3.0 million from AerLift during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

### AerCap Partners I

During the year ended December 31, 2018, we sold an aircraft to our joint venture partner in AerCap Partners I.

### Purchase of shares

During 2018, an executive officer, Philip Scruggs, sold 227,201 shares to the Company at fair value on the date of the sale for an aggregate sale price of \$12.6 million. Mr. Scruggs used the proceeds to pay his income taxes in connection with the vesting of his share awards in 2018.

## 26. Commitments and contingencies

#### Aircraft on order

As of December 31, 2018, we had commitments to purchase 363 new aircraft scheduled for delivery through 2023. These commitments are based upon purchase agreements with Boeing, Airbus and Embraer. These agreements establish the pricing formulas (including adjustments for certain contractual escalation provisions) and various other terms with respect to the purchase of aircraft. Under certain circumstances, we have the right to alter the mix of aircraft types ultimately acquired. As of December 31, 2018, we had made non-refundable deposits on these purchase commitments (exclusive of capitalized interest and fair value adjustments) of approximately \$2.3 billion.

Management anticipates that a portion of the aggregate purchase price for the acquisition of aircraft will be funded by incurring additional debt. The amount of the indebtedness to be incurred will depend on the final purchase price of the aircraft, which can vary due to a number of factors, including inflation.

The amount of interest capitalized is the actual interest costs incurred on the debt specific to the prepayments, if any, or the amount of interest costs which could have been avoided in the absence of such prepayments. Our average cost of debt, excluding the effect of mark-to-market movements on our interest rate caps was 4.1% during the year ended December 31, 2018.

Movements in prepayments on flight equipment during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			
		2018	2017	
Prepayments on flight equipment at beginning of period	\$	2,930,303	\$	3,265,979
Prepayments made during the period		1,811,917		1,162,884
Interest paid and capitalized during the period		101,755		107,364
Prepayments and capitalized interest applied to the purchase of flight equipment		(1,819,455)		(1,605,924)
Prepayments on flight equipment at end of period	\$	3,024,520	\$	2,930,303

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## 26. Commitments and contingencies (Continued)

The following table presents our contractual commitments for the purchase of flight equipment as of December 31, 2018:

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Purchase obligations (a)	\$5,480,353	\$ 4,806,447	\$ 3,942,505	\$ 2,529,114	\$ 1,704,900	\$ 18,463,319

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes commitments to purchase 354 aircraft and nine purchase and leaseback transactions.

#### Leases

We have operating lease agreements with third parties for office space, company cars and office equipment and finance lease agreements for aircraft engines.

As of December 31, 2018, future minimum lease payment obligations under operating and finance lease agreements were as follows:

Operating leases (a)		Finance leases (b)	
\$ 9,181	\$	2,359	
9,305		2,515	
9,201		2,681	
9,262		2,857	
9,337		3,046	
35,243		105,327	
\$ 81,529	\$	118,785	
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<sup>(</sup>a) Represents contractual payments on our office and facility leases.

## Asset value guarantees

We have potential obligations under contracts that guarantee a portion of the residual value of aircraft owned by third parties. These guarantees expire at various dates through 2023 and generally obligate us to pay the shortfall between the fair market value and the guaranteed value of the aircraft and, in certain cases, provide us with an option to purchase the aircraft for the guaranteed value. As of December 31, 2018, two guarantees were outstanding.

We regularly review the underlying values of the aircraft collateral to determine our exposure under these asset value guarantees. We did not record any asset value guarantee loss provisions during the years ended December 31, 2018 or 2017.

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, the carrying value of the asset value guarantee liability was nil. As of December 31, 2018, the maximum aggregate potential commitment that we were obligated to pay under these guarantees, without any offset for the projected value of the aircraft or other contractual features that may limit our exposure, was approximately \$31.8 million.

### Other guarantees

We guarantee the replacement lease rental cash flows of two sold aircraft, up to agreed maximum amounts for each aircraft. These guarantees expire in 2020. We are obligated to perform under these guarantees in the event of a default and lease termination by the current lessees, and if the contracted net replacement lease rental rates do not equal or exceed the rental amounts in the current lease contracts. As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, the carrying value of these guarantees was \$2.3 million and \$2.3 million, respectively, and was included in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities. As of December 31, 2018, the maximum undiscounted aggregate future guarantee payments that we could be obligated to make under these guarantees, without offset for the projected net future re-lease or extension rates, were approximately \$10.5 million.

<sup>(</sup>b) Finance lease obligations are recorded in other secured debt.

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### 26. Commitments and contingencies (Continued)

#### Legal proceedings

#### General

In the ordinary course of our business, we are a party to various legal actions, which we believe are incidental to the operations of our business. The Company regularly reviews the possible outcome of such legal actions, and accrues for such legal actions at the time a loss is probable and the amount of the loss can be estimated. In addition, the Company also reviews indemnities and insurance coverage, where applicable. Based on information currently available, we believe the potential outcome of those cases where we are able to estimate reasonably possible losses, and our estimate of the reasonably possible losses exceeding amounts already recognized, on an aggregated basis, is immaterial to our Consolidated Financial Statements.

### VASP litigation

We leased 13 aircraft and three spare engines to Viação Aerea de São Paulo ("VASP"), a Brazilian airline. In 1992, VASP defaulted on its lease obligations and we commenced litigation against VASP to repossess our equipment. In 1992, we obtained a preliminary injunction for the repossession and export of 13 aircraft and three spare engines from VASP. We repossessed and exported the aircraft and engines in 1992. VASP appealed this decision. In 1996, the Appellate Court of the State of São Paulo ("TJSP") ruled in favor of VASP on its appeal. We were instructed to return the aircraft and engines to VASP for lease under the terms of the original lease agreements. The Appellate Court also granted VASP the right to seek damages in lieu of the return of the aircraft and engines. Since 1996 we have defended this case in the Brazilian courts through various motions and appeals. On March 1, 2006, the Superior Tribunal of Justice (the "STJ") dismissed our then-pending appeal and on April 5, 2006, a special panel of the STJ confirmed this decision. On May 15, 2006 we filed an extraordinary appeal with the Federal Supreme Court. In September 2009 the Federal Supreme Court requested an opinion on our appeal from the office of the Attorney General. This opinion was provided in October 2009. The Attorney General recommended that AerCap's extraordinary appeal be accepted for trial and that the case be subject to a new judgment before the STJ. On April 4, 2018, the Federal Supreme Court declined to accept our extraordinary appeal for trial. We appealed this decision on April 25, 2018.

On February 23, 2006, VASP commenced a procedure to calculate its alleged damages and since then we, VASP and the court have appointed experts to assist the court in calculating damages. Our appointed expert has concluded that no damages were incurred. The VASP-appointed expert has concluded that substantial damages were incurred, and has claimed that such damages should reflect monetary adjustments and default interest for the passage of time. The court-appointed expert has also concluded that no damages were incurred. Different public prosecutors have issued conflicting opinions. The first public prosecutor had filed an opinion that supports the view of the VASP-appointed expert. In response to that opinion, the court-appointed expert reaffirmed his conclusion. A subsequently-appointed public prosecutor subsequently filed a new opinion that is less supportive of the VASP-appointed expert's opinion, but the original public prosecutor then issued a third opinion consistent with the first one. On October 30, 2017, the court decided that VASP had suffered no damages. On April 20, 2018, VASP appealed this decision. We believe, however, and we have been advised, that it is not probable that VASP will ultimately be able to recover damages from us even if VASP prevails on the issue of liability. The outcome of the legal process is, however, uncertain. The ultimate amount of damages, if any, payable to VASP cannot reasonably be estimated at this time. We continue to actively pursue all courses of action that may reasonably be available to us and intend to defend our position vigorously.

In July 2006, we brought a claim for damages against VASP in the English courts, seeking damages incurred by AerCap as a result of VASP's default under seven leases that were governed by English law. VASP filed applications challenging the jurisdiction of the English court, and sought to adjourn the jurisdictional challenge pending the sale of some of its assets in Brazil. We opposed this application and by an order dated March 6, 2008, the English court dismissed VASP's applications.

In September 2008, the bankruptcy court in Brazil ordered the bankruptcy of VASP. VASP appealed this decision. In December 2008, we filed with the English court an application for default judgment, seeking damages plus accrued interest pursuant to seven lease agreements. On March 16,2009, we obtained a default judgment in which we were awarded approximately \$40 million in damages plus accrued interest. We subsequently applied to the STJ for an order ratifying the English judgment, so that it might be submitted in the VASP bankruptcy. The STJ granted AerCap's application and entered an order ratifying the English judgment. Although VASP appealed that order, it is fully effective pending a resolution of VASP's appeal of the order ratifying the English judgment.

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### 26. Commitments and contingencies (Continued)

In addition to our claim in the English courts, AerCap has also brought actions against VASP in the Irish courts to recover damages incurred as a result of VASP's default under nine leases governed by Irish law. The Irish courts granted an order for service of process, and although VASP opposed service in Brazil, the STJ ruled that service of process had been properly completed. After some additional delay due to procedural issues related to VASP's bankruptcy, the Irish action went forward. Upon VASP's failure to appear, the High Court entered default judgment in favor of AerCap, finding VASP liable for breach of its obligations under the leases. On October 24, 2014, the High Court entered two judgments in favor of AerCap, awarding us aggregate damages in the amount of approximately \$36.9 million. We subsequently applied to the STJ for an order ratifying the Irish judgments, so that they might be submitted in the VASP bankruptcy. The STJ granted AerCap's application and ratified the Irish judgments.

AerCap has submitted both the Irish and the English judgments in the VASP bankruptcy; the bankruptcy court has required that the claims submitted limit interest on the judgments to that accrued on or before the commencement of VASP's bankruptcy, which has resulted in claims of approximately \$40 million for the English judgments and approximately \$24 million for the Irish judgments.

On November 6, 2012, the STJ ruled in favor of VASP on its appeal from the order placing it in bankruptcy. Acting alone, the reporting justice of the appellate panel ordered the bankruptcy revoked and the matter converted to a judicial reorganization. Several creditors of VASP appealed that ruling to the full panel of the STJ. On December 17, 2012, the Special Court of the STJ reversed the ruling of the reporting justice and upheld the order placing VASP in bankruptcy. The decision was published on February 1, 2013. On February 25, 2013, the lapse of time for appeal (res judicata) was certified.

### Transbrasil litigation

In the early 1990s, two AerCap-related companies (the "AerCap Lessors") leased an aircraft and two engines to Transbrasil S/A Linhas Areas ("Transbrasil"), a now-defunct Brazilian airline. By 1998, Transbrasil had defaulted on various obligations under its leases with AerCap, along with other leases it had entered into with GECC and certain of its affiliates (collectively with GECC, the "GE Lessors"). GECAS was the servicer for all these leases at the time. Subsequently, Transbrasil issued promissory notes (the "Notes") to the AerCap lessors and GE Lessors (collectively the "Lessors") in connection with restructurings of the leases. Transbrasil defaulted on the Notes and GECC brought an enforcement action on behalf of the Lessors in 2001. Concurrently, GECC filed an action for the involuntary bankruptcy of Transbrasil.

Transbrasil brought a lawsuit against the Lessors in February 2001 (the "Transbrasil Lawsuit"), claiming that the Notes had in fact been paid at the time GECC brought the enforcement action. In 2007, the trial judge ruled in favor of Transbrasil. That decision was appealed. In April 2010, the appellate court published a judgment (the "2010 Judgment") rejecting the Lessors' appeal, ordering them to pay Transbrasil statutory penalties equal to double the face amount of the Notes (plus interest and monetary adjustments) as well as damages for any losses incurred as a result of the attempts to collect on the Notes. The 2010 Judgment provided that the amount of such losses would be calculated in separate proceedings in the trial court (the "Indemnity Claim"). In June 2010, the AerCap Lessors and GE Lessors separately filed special appeals before the STJ in Brazil. These special appeals were subsequently admitted for hearing.

In July 2011, Transbrasil brought three actions for provisional enforcement of the 2010 Judgment (the "Provisional Enforcement Actions"): one to enforce the award of statutory penalties; a second to recover attorneys' fees related to that award, and a third to enforce the Indemnity Claim. Transbrasil submitted its alleged calculation of statutory penalties, which, according to Transbrasil, amounted to approximately \$210 million in the aggregate against all defendants, including interest and monetary adjustments. AerCap and its co-defendants opposed provisional enforcement of the 2010 judgment, arguing, among other things, that Transbrasil's calculations were greatly exaggerated.

Transbrasil also initiated proceedings to determine the amount of its alleged Indemnity Claim. The court appointed an expert to determine the measure of damages and the defendants appointed an assistant expert. We believe we have strong arguments to convince the expert and the court that Transbrasil suffered no damage as a result of the defendants' attempts to collect on the Notes.

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### 26. Commitments and contingencies (Continued)

In February 2012, AerCap brought a civil complaint against GECAS and GECC in the State of New York (the "New York Action"), alleging, among other things, that GECAS and GECC had violated certain duties to AerCap in connection with their attempts to enforce the Notes and their defense of Transbrasil's lawsuit. In November 2012, AerCap, GECAS, and the GE Lessors entered into a settlement agreement resolving all of the claims raised in the New York Action. The terms of the settlement agreement are confidential.

In October 2013, the STJ granted the special appeals filed by GECAS and its related parties, effectively reversing the 2010 Judgment in most respects as to all of the Lessors.

In February 2014, Transbrasil appealed the STJ's ruling of October 2013 to another panel of the STJ. The appellate panel rejected Transbrasil's appeal in November 2016, preserving the October 2013 order. All appeals in respect of the Transbrasil Lawsuit have now concluded.

In light of the STJ's ruling of October 2013, the trial court has ordered the dismissal of two of Transbrasil's Provisional Enforcement Actions—those seeking statutory penalties and attorneys' fees. The TJSP has since affirmed the dismissals of those actions and Transbrasil has appealed that order. Transbrasil's Provisional Enforcement Action with respect to the Indemnity Claim remains pending.

#### Yemen Airways-Yemenia litigation

ILFC is named in a lawsuit in connection with the 2009 crash of an Airbus A310-300 aircraft owned by ILFC and on lease to Yemen Airways-Yemenia, a Yemeni carrier ("Hassanati Action"). The Hassanati plaintiffs are families of deceased occupants of the flight and seek unspecified damages for wrongful death, costs, and fees. The Hassanati Action commenced in January 2011 and was pending in the United States District Court for the Central District of California. On February 18, 2014, the district court granted summary judgment in ILFC's favor and dismissed all of the Hassanati plaintiffs' remaining claims. The Hassanati plaintiffs appealed. On March 22, 2016, the appellate court rejected the appeal. On April 22, 2016, the Hassanati plaintiffs refiled their action at the trial court. The trial court granted ILFC's motion to dismiss the Hassanati plaintiffs' second complaint on November 22, 2016, and entered judgment in favor of ILFC. The Hassanati plaintiffs appealed and the appellate court rejected their appeal on September 17, 2018.

On August 29, 2014, a new group of plaintiffs filed a lawsuit against ILFC in the United States District Court for the Central District of California (the "Abdallah Action"). The Abdallah Action claims unspecified damages from ILFC on the same theory as does the Hassanati Action. On June 30, 2017, the parties to the Abdallah action executed a Master Settlement Agreement setting forth terms on which Yemenia's insurance carrier proposes to settle the case with each claimant family. Upon the claimant families' execution of individual release and discharge agreements and upon ILFC's and Yemenia's confirmation of a sufficient number of participating claimants, the claims by such participating claimants against ILFC and Yemenia in the Abdallah Action will be dismissed in exchange for payment from Yemenia's insurance carrier. We believe that ILFC has substantial defenses on the merits and is adequately covered by available liability insurance in respect of both the Hassanati Action and the Abdallah Action.

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#### 27. Fair values of financial instruments

The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale. Fair values of financial instruments have been determined with reference to available market information. However, considerable management judgment is required in interpreting market data to arrive at estimates of fair values. Accordingly, the estimates presented herein may not be indicative of the amounts that we could realize in a current market exchange.

The fair value of restricted cash and cash and cash equivalents approximates their carrying value because of their short-term nature. The fair value of notes receivables approximates its carrying value. The fair value of our long-term unsecured debt is estimated using quoted market prices for similar or identical instruments, depending on the frequency and volume of activity in the market. The fair value of our long-term secured debt is estimated using a discounted cash flow analysis based on current market interest rates and spreads for debt with similar characteristics. Derivatives are recognized in our Consolidated Balance Sheets at their fair value. The fair value of derivatives is based on dealer quotes for identical instruments. We have also considered the credit rating and risk of the counterparties of the derivative contracts based on quantitative and qualitative factors. The fair value of guarantees is determined by reference to the fair market value or future lease cash flows of the underlying aircraft and the guaranteed amount.

The carrying amounts and fair values of our most significant financial instruments as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

		December 31, 2018			
	C	Carrying value		Fair value	
ets					
sh and cash equivalents	\$	1,204,018	\$	1,204,018	
estricted cash		211,017		211,017	
rivative assets		69,105		69,105	
	\$	1,484,140	\$	1,484,140	
ties					
	\$	29,668,203	(a) \$	29,031,153	
rivative liabilities		29,321		29,321	
	\$	29,697,524	\$	29,060,474	

<sup>(</sup>a) Excludes debt issuance costs and debt discounts.

	December :	<b>December 31, 2017</b>		
	Carrying value	Fair value		
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,659,669	\$ 1,659,669		
Restricted cash	364,456	364,456		
Derivative assets	48,896	48,896		
	\$ 2,073,021	\$ 2,073,021		
Liabilities	<del></del>			
Debt	\$ 28,580,800 (a)	\$ 29,074,375		
	\$ 28,580,800	\$ 29,074,375		

<sup>(</sup>a) Excludes debt issuance costs and debt discounts.

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#### 28. Directors' remuneration

Our remuneration policy for non-executive and executive directors can be found in our Remuneration Policy, which is available on our website, and in the Remuneration Report included in this Annual Report.

The table below indicates the total remuneration paid to our non-executive directors during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, and the share-based compensation expense recognized in those years related to AerCap equity instruments that were granted to the non-executive directors in 2018 and prior years:

	Year Ended December 31,							
	2018			2017				
		neration aid	compe	-based nsation ense		eration aid	comp	e-based ensation bense
Pieter Korteweg	\$	305	\$	409	\$	292	\$	333
Salem Al Noaimi		160		118		181		145
Homaid Al Shimmari		120		_		118		_
Julian (Brad) Branch		138						_
James (Jim) Chapman		67		207		211		248
Paul Dacier		197		211		191		173
Richard (Michael) Gradon		181		243		173		196
Marius Jonkhart		66		178		202		213
James (Jim) Lawrence		196		60		109		_
Michael Walsh		200		40		102		_
Robert (Bob) Warden		198		162		191		133
	\$	1,828	\$	1,628	\$	1,770	\$	1,441

Under our equity incentive plans, we have granted restricted stock units, restricted stock and stock options, to directors, officers and employees to attract and retain them on competitive terms, and to incentivize superior performance with a view to creating long-term value for the benefit of the Company, its shareholders and other stakeholders. Our non-executive directors receive an annual equity award as provided for in AerCap's remuneration policy for members of the Board of Directors and in accordance with the terms of the Equity Incentive Plan 2014.

We paid Mr. Kelly, our only executive director and Chief Executive Officer, a total remuneration of approximately \$2.6 million, consisting of an annual base salary of approximately \$1.0 million, an annual cash bonus of approximately \$1.3 million, which is based on specific targets that were met, and approximately \$0.3 million as contributions to his defined benefit pension plan and other employment benefits, during the year ended December 31, 2018. In addition, during the year ended December 31, 2018, we recognized \$34.6 million of expenses related to AerCap equity instruments that were granted to him in 2018 and prior years.

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#### 28. Directors' remuneration (Continued)

The following table presents beneficial ownership of our shares which are held by our directors as of December 31, 2018:

	Ordinary shares (unrestricted)	Restricted stock (a)	Restricted stock units (a) (b)	Ordinary shares underlying options (c)	Fully diluted ownership percentage (d)
Pieter Korteweg (Chairman)	32,170		7,245		*
Aengus Kelly (CEO) (e)	1,469,778	1,852,957	_	_	2.3%
Salem Al Noaimi	3,335	<del>_</del>	2,862	3,954	*
Homaid Al Shimmari	_	_	_	_	*
Julian (Brad) Branch	4,000	_	4,311	_	*
Paul Dacier	5,597	_	3,731	5,728	*
Richard (Michael) Gradon	_	_	4,311	_	*
James (Jim) Lawrence	100,000	_	8,429	_	*
Michael Walsh	500	_	6,564	_	*
Robert (Bob) Warden	10,803	_	2,862	_	*
	1,626,183	1,852,957	40,315	9,682	

<sup>\*</sup> Less than 1.0%.

(e) Mr. Kelly is our Chief Executive Officer and an Executive Director of the Board.

The table below indicates the equity awards the Company granted to Mr. Kelly and his equity awards that vested in 2018:

	2018 Granted	2018 Vested
Aengus Kelly (CEO)	1,281,502 (a)	1,074,078 (b)

<sup>(</sup>a) Grant of 1,626,906 shares of restricted stock, of which 345,404 were withheld to pay taxes incurred by Mr. Kelly in connection with the grant.

All of our ordinary shares have the same voting rights.

The address for all of our directors and officers is c/o AerCap Holdings N.V., AerCap House, 65 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2, Ireland.

<sup>(</sup>a) All restricted stock and restricted stock units are subject to time-based or performance-based vesting conditions. Of these restricted stock and restricted stock units, subject to the vesting conditions, 20,347 will vest on February 19, 2019, 551,108 will vest on May 31, 2019 (or the date of the AGM in 2019, whichever is the earlier), 12,452 will vest on August 31, 2019, 238,627 will vest on September 13, 2019, 25,805 will vest on April 30, 2020 (or, for part of these, the date of the AGM in 2020, whichever is the earlier), 326,847 will vest on May 31, 2020, 5,647 will vest on January 1, 2021, 18,345 will vest on March 12, 2021, 9,346 will vest on April 30, 2021 (or the date of the AGM in 2021, whichever is the earlier), 4,311 will vest on January 1, 2022, 842,105 will vest on May 1, 2022, 136,462 will vest on September 13, 2022 and 421,052 will vest on May 1, 2023.

<sup>(</sup>b) Payroll tax will be withheld and deducted from the shares to be delivered at the vesting of restricted stock units, as applicable.

<sup>(</sup>c) 1,774 of these options expire on December 31, 2020 and carry a strike price of \$14.12 per option. 4,302 of these options expire on December 31, 2021 and carry a strike price of \$11.29 per option. The remaining 3,606 options expire on December 31, 2022 and carry a strike price of \$13.72 per option.

<sup>(</sup>d) Percentage amount assumes the vesting and exercise of all time-based and performance-based equity awards at target in this table, and no vesting or exercise of any other equity awards.

<sup>(</sup>b) Vesting of shares of restricted stock.

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### 29. Subsidiary undertakings

Whitestream Aircraft Leasing Limited

The subsidiaries which are taken up in the consolidated financial statements are direct and indirect subsidiaries 100% owned, unless otherwise stated.

Consolidated	
ILFC Aruba A.V.V.	Aruba
ILFC Australia Holdings Pty. Ltd.	Australia
ILFC Australia Pty. Ltd.	Australia
Wombat 3495 Leasing Pty Ltd	Australia
Wombat 3547 Leasing Pty Ltd	Australia
Wombat 3668 Leasing Pty Ltd	Australia
Wombat V Leasing Pty Ltd	Australia
AerCap Holdings (Bermuda) Limited	Bermuda
AerCap International Bermuda Limited	Bermuda
AerCap Leasing 3034 (Bermuda) Limited	Bermuda
AerCap Leasing MSN 2413 (Bermuda) Limited	Bermuda
AerFunding 1 Limited	Bermuda
AerFunding Bermuda Leasing Limited	Bermuda
Aircraft Lease Securitisation II Limited	Bermuda
Aquarius Aircraft Leasing Limited	Bermuda
Ararat Aircraft Leasing Limited	Bermuda
Belmar Bermuda Leasing Limited	Bermuda
CloudFunding III Limited	Bermuda
Copperstream Aircraft Leasing Limited	Bermuda
Flotlease 973 (Bermuda) Limited	Bermuda
Flying Fortress Bermuda Leasing Ltd.	Bermuda
Genesis Portfolio Funding I Limited	Bermuda
GLS Atlantic Alpha Limited	Bermuda
Goldstream Aircraft Leasing Limited	Bermuda
ILFC (Bermuda) 5, Ltd.	Bermuda
ILFC (Bermuda) III, Ltd.	Bermuda
International Lease Finance Corporation, Limited	Bermuda
Lare Leasing Limited	Bermuda
LC (BERMUDA) NO 2 L.P.	Bermuda
LC (BERMUDA) NO. 2 LTD	Bermuda
Poseidon Leasing (Bermuda) Limited	Bermuda
Roselawn Leasing Limited	Bermuda
Ross Leasing Limited	Bermuda
Sierra Leasing Limited	Bermuda
Silverstream Aircraft Leasing Limited	Bermuda
Skylease Bermuda Limited	Bermuda
Wahaflot Leasing 3699 (Bermuda) Limited	Bermuda
Westpark 1 Aircraft Leasing Limited	Bermuda
Wilderstand Administration Trimited	D 1

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Whitney Leasing Limited	Bermuda
AerCap Aircraft Purchase Limited	Cayman Islands
AerCap HK-320-A Limited	Cayman Islands
AerCap HK-320-B Limited	Cayman Islands
AerCap HK-320-C Limited	Cayman Islands
ILFC Cayman Limited	Cayman Islands
Eaststar Limited	China
North Star Company Limited	China
Southstar Limited	China
Sunstar Limited	China
Calais Location S.A.R.L.	France
Grenoble Location S.A.R.L.	France
ILFC France S.A.R.L.	France
Mulhouse Location S.A.R.L.	France
Nancy Location S.A.R.L.	France
Strasbourg Location S.A.R.L.	France
Whitney France Leasing S.A.R.L.	France
Aerborne Funding II Limited	Ireland
AerBorne Funding Limited	Ireland
AerCap A330 Holdings Limited	Ireland
AerCap Administrative Services Limited	Ireland
AerCap Aircraft 73B-30661 Limited	Ireland
AerCap Aircraft 73B-32841 Limited	Ireland
AerCap Aircraft 77B-32717 Limited	Ireland
AerCap Asset Finance Limited	Ireland
AerCap Cash Manager Limited	Ireland
AerCap Celtavia 4 Limited	Ireland
AerCap Engine Leasing Limited	Ireland
AerCap Finance Limited	Ireland
AerCap Financial Services (Ireland) Limited	Ireland
AerCap Holding & Finance Limited	Ireland
AerCap Ireland Asset Investment 1 Limited	Ireland
AerCap Ireland Asset Investment 2 Limited	Ireland
AerCap Ireland Capital Designated Activity Company	Ireland
AerCap Ireland Funding 1 Limited	Ireland
AerCap Ireland Limited	Ireland
AerCap Irish Aircraft Leasing 2 Limited	Ireland
AerCap Leasing 3034 Limited	Ireland
AerCap Leasing 8 Limited	Ireland
AerCap Leasing 946 Limited	Ireland
AerCap Partners 2 Holding Limited	Ireland
AerCap Partners 2 Limited	Ireland

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AerCap Partners 3 Holding Limited	Ireland
AerCap Partners 767 Holdings Limited	Ireland
AerCap Partners 767 Limited	Ireland
AerCap Partners I Holding Limited	Ireland
AerCap Partners I Limited	Ireland
AerFi Group Limited	Ireland
AerVenture Export Leasing Limited	Ireland
AerVenture Limited	Ireland
Aircraft Portfolio Holding Company Limited	Ireland
Aircraft Portfolio Holding Company No. 2 Limited	Ireland
Andes Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Andromeda Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Annamite Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Arfaj Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Artemis (Delos) Limited	Ireland
Artemis Aircraft 32A-3309 Limited	Ireland
Artemis Aircraft 32A-3385 (Ireland) Limited	Ireland
Artemis Aircraft 32A-3388 (Ireland) Limited	Ireland
Artemis Aircraft 77B-32725 Limited	Ireland
Artemis Ireland Leasing Limited	Ireland
Ballymoon Aircraft Solutions Limited	Ireland
Ballysky Aircraft Ireland Limited	Ireland
Ballystar Aircraft Solutions Limited	Ireland
BlowfishFunding Limited	Ireland
Burgundy Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Calliope Limited	Ireland
Camden Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Cash Manager Limited	Ireland
Castletroy Leasing Limited	Ireland
CelestialFunding Limited	Ireland
Celtago Funding Limited	Ireland
Celtago II Funding Limited	Ireland
Cesium Funding Limited	Ireland
Charleville Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
CieloFunding Holdings Limited	Ireland
CieloFunding II Limited	Ireland
CieloFunding Limited	Ireland
Clarity Leasing Limited	Ireland
CloudFunding II Limited	Ireland
CloudFunding Limited	Ireland
CuttlefishFunding Limited	Ireland
Danang Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland

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Danang Aircraft Leasing No. 2 Limited	Ireland
DartfishFunding Designated Activity Company	Ireland
Delos Aircraft 76B-29387 Designated Activity Company	Ireland
Delos Aircraft Limited	Ireland
Eden Aircraft Holding No. 2 Limited	Ireland
Electra Funding Ireland Limited	Ireland
Eris Aircraft Limited	Ireland
Excalibur Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Fansipan Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
FirefishFunding Limited	Ireland
Flotlease MSN 3699 Limited	Ireland
Flotlease MSN 973 Limited	Ireland
FlyFunding Limited	Ireland
Flying Fortress Ireland Leasing Limited	Ireland
Fortress Aircraft 32A-2730 Limited	Ireland
Fortress Aircraft 33A-0366 Limited	Ireland
Fortress Aircraft 76B-29383 Designated Activity Company	Ireland
Fortress Aircraft 78B-38761 Limited	Ireland
Fortress Ireland Leasing Limited	Ireland
Geministream Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Gladius Funding Limited	Ireland
Glide Aircraft 35A-29 Ltd	Ireland
Glide Aircraft 73B-41815 Limited	Ireland
Glide Aircraft 78B-38765 Limited	Ireland
Glide Funding Limited	Ireland
Goldfish Funding Limited	Ireland
Gunung Leasing Limited	Ireland
Harmonic Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Hyperion Aircraft Financing Limited	Ireland
Hyperion Aircraft Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-1808 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-1884 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-1901 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-1905 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-2064 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-2076 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-2279 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-2707 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-2726 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-2797 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-3065 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-3070 Limited	Ireland

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ILFC Aircraft 32A-3114 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-3116 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-3124 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-4619 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-591 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 32A-666 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 33A-1284 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 33A-253 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 33A-272 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 33A-432 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 33A-444 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 33A-454 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 33A-469 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 33A-822 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 33A-911 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-29344 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-29368 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-29369 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-30658 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-30665 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-30667 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-30669 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-30672 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-30673 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-30694 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-30695 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-30696 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-30701 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-35275 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-38828 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-41784 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-41785 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-41789 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-41790 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-41791 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-41792 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-41793 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-41795 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-41802 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 73B-41803 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 75B-26330 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 75B-27208 Designated Activity Company	Ireland

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ILFC Aircraft 75B-29381 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 76B-27610 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 76B-27616 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 76B-27958 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 76B-28111 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 76B-28207 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 76B-29435 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 77B-29908 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Aircraft 78B-38785 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Ireland 2 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Ireland 3 Limited	Ireland
ILFC Ireland Leasing Limited	Ireland
ILFC Ireland Limited	Ireland
Iridium Funding Limited	Ireland
Jade Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Jasmine Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Jasper Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Leostream Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Librastream Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Limelight Funding Limited	Ireland
Lishui Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Mainstream Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Melodic Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Menelaus I Limited	Ireland
Menelaus II Designated Activity Company	Ireland
Menelaus III Limited	Ireland
Menelaus IV Limited	Ireland
Menelaus V Limited	Ireland
Menelaus VI Limited	Ireland
Menelaus VII Limited	Ireland
Menelaus VIII Limited	Ireland
Mentes I Ireland Leasing Limited	Ireland
Mentes II Ireland Leasing Limited	Ireland
Mentes III Ireland Leasing Limited	Ireland
Mentes IV Ireland Leasing Limited	Ireland
Mentes V Ireland Leasing Limited	Ireland
Mentes VI Ireland Leasing Limited	Ireland
Mentes VII Ireland Leasing Limited	Ireland
Monophonic Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Moonlight Aircraft Leasing (Ireland) Limited	Ireland
NimbusFunding Limited	Ireland
Pearl Funding Limited	Ireland

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Philharmonic Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Platinum Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Polyphonic Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Quadrant MSN 5719 Limited	Ireland
Quadrant MSN 5802 Limited	Ireland
Quadrant MSN 5869 Limited	Ireland
Quiescent Holdings Limited	Ireland
RainbowFunding Limited	Ireland
Riggs Leasing Limited	Ireland
Rouge Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Scandium Funding Limited	Ireland
Scarlet Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Serranus Funding Limited	Ireland
Shrewsbury Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
SkyFunding II Holdings Limited	Ireland
SkyFunding II Limited	Ireland
SkyFunding Leasing 1 Limited	Ireland
SkyFunding Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN (3365) Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN (3392) Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN 3545 Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN 3564 Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN 3574 Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN 3711 Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN 3778 Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN 3825 Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN 3859 Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN 4168 Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN 4241 Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN 4254 Limited	Ireland
Skylease MSN 4267 Limited	Ireland
Skyscape Limited	Ireland
SoraFunding Limited	Ireland
StratocumulusFunding Limited	Ireland
StratusFunding Limited	Ireland
Streamline Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Sunflower Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Symphonic Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Synchronic Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Temescal Aircraft 32A-2383 Limited	Ireland
Temescal Aircraft 33A-0758 Limited	Ireland
TetraFunding Limited	Ireland

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Transversal Aircraft Holdings Limited	Ireland
Transversal Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Triple Eight Aircraft Holdings Limited	Ireland
Triple Eight Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Verde Aircraft Finance Limited	Ireland
Verde Aircraft Investment Limited	Ireland
Virgostream Aircraft Leasing Limited	Ireland
Whitney Ireland Leasing Limited	Ireland
XLease MSN 3008 Limited	Ireland
XLease MSN 3420 Limited	Ireland
Acorn Aviation Limited	Isle of Man
AerCap Holding (IOM) Limited	Isle of Man
AerCap International (Isle of Man) Limited	Isle of Man
AerCap IOM 2 Limited	Isle of Man
AerCap Note Purchaser (IOM) Limited	Isle of Man
CRESCENT AVIATION LIMITED	Isle of Man
Stallion Aviation Limited	Isle of Man
AerCap Jet Limited	Jersey
Delos Finance S.a.r.l.	Luxembourg
ILFC Labuan ECA Ltd.	Malaysia
ILFC Labuan Ltd.	Malaysia
AerCap A330 Holdings B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap AerVenture Holding B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap Aircraft 73B-30645 B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap Aviation Solutions B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap Dutch Aircraft Leasing I B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap Dutch Aircraft Leasing IV B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap Dutch Aircraft Leasing VII B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap Dutch Global Aviation B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap Group Services B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap International B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap Leasing XIII B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap Leasing XXX B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap Netherlands B.V.	Netherlands
Annamite Aircraft Leasing B.V.	Netherlands
BlowfishFunding B.V.	Netherlands
Clearstream Aircraft Leasing B.V.	Netherlands
FodiatorFunding B.V.	Netherlands
Goldfish Funding B.V.	Netherlands
Harmony Funding B.V.	Netherlands
Harmony Funding Holdings B.V.	Netherlands

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ILFC Aviation Services (Europe) B.V.	Netherlands
NimbusFunding B.V.	Netherlands
Sapa Aircraft Leasing B.V.	Netherlands
StratocumulusFunding B.V.	Netherlands
Worldwide Aircraft Leasing B.V.	Netherlands
AerCap Singapore Pte. Ltd.	Singapore
AeroTurbine Asia Pte. Ltd.	Singapore
ILFC Singapore Pte. Ltd.	Singapore
32904 Sverige AB	Sweden
AerFi Sverige AB	Sweden
International Lease Finance Corporation (Sweden) AB	Sweden
AerCap UK Limited	United Kingdom
AeroTurbine Europe Limited	United Kingdom
Aircraft 32A-3424 Limited	United Kingdom
Aircraft 32A-3454 Limited	United Kingdom
Archytas Aviation Limited	United Kingdom
ILFC UK Limited	United Kingdom
Temescal UK Limited	United Kingdom
Whitney UK Leasing Limited	United Kingdom
AerCap Global Aviation Trust	United States
AerCap Group Services, Inc	United States
AerCap Hangar 52, Inc.	United States
AerCap Leasing USA I, Inc.	United States
AerCap Leasing USA II, Inc.	United States
AerCap U.S. Global Aviation LLC	United States
AerCap, Inc.	United States
AeroTurbine, LLC	United States
Aircraft 32A-1658 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-1695 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-1905 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-1946 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-2024 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-2594 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-2731 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-585 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-645 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-726 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-760 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-775 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-782 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-987 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 32A-993, Inc.	United States

### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

## (U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

Aircraft 33A-132, Inc.	United States
Aircraft 33A-358 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 34A-152 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 34A-216 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 34A-395 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 34A-48 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 34A-93 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-26315 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-26317 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-28249 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-28252 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-30036 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-30646 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-30661 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-30671 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-30730 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-32796 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-32841 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-38821 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 73B-41794 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 73B-41796 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 73B-41806 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 73B-41815 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 74B-27602 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 75B-28834 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 75B-28836 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 76B-26261 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 76B-26327 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 76B-26329 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 76B-27597 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 76B-27600 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 76B-27613 Inc.	United States
Aircraft 76B-27615 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 76B-28132 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 76B-28206 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 77B-29404 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 77B-29908 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 77B-32717 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft 77B-32723 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft A330 143 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft A330 72 Inc.	United States  United States
Aircraft A330 98 Inc.	United States  United States
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### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

## (U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

Aircraft Andros Inc.	United States
Aircraft B757 29377 Inc.	United States
Aircraft B757 29382 Inc.	United States
Aircraft B767 29388 Inc.	United States
Aircraft Lotus Inc.	United States
Aircraft SPC-12, LLC	United States
Aircraft SPC-14, Inc.	United States
Aircraft SPC-3, Inc.	United States
Aircraft SPC-4, Inc.	United States
Aircraft SPC-8, Inc.	United States
Aircraft SPC-9, LLC	United States
Apollo Aircraft Inc.	United States
Artemis US Inc.	United States
Brokat Leasing, LLC	United States
CABREA, Inc.	United States
Camden Aircraft Leasing Trust	United States
Charmlee Aircraft Inc.	United States
Cloudbreak Aircraft Leasing Inc.	United States
Delos Aircraft Inc.	United States
Doheny Investment Holding Trust	United States
Euclid Aircraft, Inc.	United States
Fleet Solutions Holdings LLC	United States
Flying Fortress Financing, LLC	United States
Flying Fortress Holdings, LLC	United States
Flying Fortress Investments, LLC	United States
Flying Fortress US Leasing Inc.	United States
Grand Staircase Aircraft, LLC	United States
Hyperion Aircraft Financing Inc.	United States
Hyperion Aircraft Inc.	United States
ILFC Aviation Consulting, Inc.	United States
ILFC Dover, Inc.	United States
ILFC Volare, Inc.	United States
Interlease Aircraft Trading Corporation	United States
Interlease Management Corporation	United States
International Lease Finance Corporation	United States
Klementine Holdings, Inc.	United States
Maiden Leasing, LLC	United States
Park Topanga Aircraft, LLC	United States
Pelican 35302, Inc.	United States
Romandy Triple Sept LLC	United States
Temescal Aircraft, LLC	United States
Top Aircraft, Inc.	United States
Whitney US Leasing, Inc.	United States

### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

(U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

## 29. Subsidiary undertakings (Continued)

### **Participations**

AerDragon Aviation Partners Limited and Subsidiaries (16.7%)	Ireland
Peregrine Aviation Company Limited and Subsidiaries (9.5%)	Ireland
AerLift Leasing Limited and Subsidiaries (39.3%)	Isle of Man
Acsal Holdco LLC (19.4%)	United States

### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

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### 30. Subsequent events

In January 2019, AerCap Trust and AICDC co-issued \$700.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.45% senior notes due 2021 and \$400.0 million aggregate principal amount of 4.875% senior notes due 2024. The proceeds from the offering were used for general corporate purposes.

In February 2019, our Board of Directors approved a share repurchase program authorizing total repurchases of up to \$200 million of AerCap ordinary shares through September 30, 2019. Repurchases under the program may be made through open market purchases or privately negotiated transactions in accordance with applicable U.S. federal securities laws. The timing of repurchases and the exact number of common shares to be purchased will be determined by the Company's management, in its discretion, and will depend upon market conditions and other factors. The program will be funded using the Company's cash on hand and cash generated from operations. The program may be suspended or discontinued at any time.

### **Company Balance Sheets**

### For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

(After proposed profit appropriation)

			As of Decembe		er 31,	
	Note		2018	2017		
			(U.S. Dollars	in the	ousands)	
ASSETS						
Fixed assets						
Financial fixed assets	22	Ф	0.006.206	ф	0.005.116	
Subsidiaries	32	\$	9,986,206	\$	9,225,116	
Total fixed assets			9,986,206		9,225,116	
Current assets						
Production and the state of the						
Receivables Receivable from subsidiaries			129,530		129,067	
Other receivables			79,675		95,402	
Total receivables			209,205		224,469	
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Cash and cash equivalents			3,020		21,079	
Total current assets			212,225		245,548	
Total Assets		\$	10,198,431	\$	9,470,664	
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES						
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Equity Ordinary share capital		\$	1,866	\$	2,058	
Additional paid-in capital		Ф	2,894,442	Ф	3,694,986	
Treasury shares, at cost			(476,085)		(731,442)	
Revaluation reserves			(1,824)		14,274	
Accumulated retained earnings (a)			5,894,033		5,182,576	
Total Equity	33		8,312,432		8,162,452	
Liabilities						
Negative goodwill	34		7,101		10,061	
Payable to subsidiaries			1,872,676		1,276,815	
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities			6,222		21,336	
Total liabilities			1,885,999		1,308,212	
Total Equity and Liabilities		\$	10,198,431	\$	9,470,664	

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes \$48.2 million and \$40.2 million of legal reserves for participations as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, which are not free to distribute.

## **Company Income Statements**

## For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

			Year Ended	December 31,		
	Note	2018			2017	
	'		(U.S. Dollars in thousands)			
Net income from subsidiaries	32	\$	927,311	\$	1,064,015	
Other income and expenses after taxation			(8,796)		(42,563)	
Net income		\$	918,515	\$	1,021,452	

#### **Notes to the Company Financial Statements**

(U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

#### 31. Summary of significant accounting policies

#### General

The Company Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the statutory provisions of Part 9, Book 2, of the Dutch Civil Code and the firm pronouncements in the Dutch Accounting Standards for annual reporting in the Netherlands as issued by the Dutch Accounting Standards Board. The Company Income Statements are presented in accordance with Part 9, Book 2, Art. 402 of the Dutch Civil Code.

For the Company Financial Statements, we have followed the same presentation as in our Consolidated Financial Statements for consistency purposes.

The principles of valuation and determination of result for AerCap Holdings N.V. and the Consolidated Financial Statements are the same. For these principles, refer to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

#### **Subsidiaries**

Subsidiaries are stated at net asset value as we effectively exercise influence over the operational and financial activities of these subsidiaries. The net asset value is determined in accordance with the accounting policies used for the Consolidated Financial Statements. If the valuation of a subsidiary based on the net asset value is negative, it will be stated at nil. If and insofar as AerCap Holdings N.V. can be held fully or partially liable for the debts of the subsidiary, or has the firm intention of enabling the subsidiary to settle its debts, a provision is recognized for this.

### **Share-based compensation**

Share-based compensation expenses related to employees of subsidiaries are recognized as an investment in subsidiaries.

#### 32. Subsidiaries

Movements in subsidiaries during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,					
		2018		2017		
Balance at beginning of period	\$	9,225,116	\$	8,968,338		
Share-based compensation		(150,139)		29,583		
Capital contributions and direct equity movements of subsidiaries		(16,098)		16,043		
Redemptions, dividends received and other		16		(852,863) (a)		
Net income from subsidiaries		927,311		1,064,015		
Balance at end of period	\$	9,986,206	\$	9,225,116		

<sup>(</sup>a) The redemptions and dividends received during the year ended December 31, 2017 were related to intercompany restructuring transactions within the group.

### **Notes to the Company Financial Statements (Continued)**

### (U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

### 33. Equity

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, the authorized share capital of AerCap Holdings N.V. amounts to ordinary share capital of €0.01 par value and 350,000,000 ordinary shares authorized. As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, issued share capital consists of 151,847,345 and 167,847,345 ordinary shares issued and 142,674,664 and 152,992,101 ordinary shares outstanding (including 2,429,442 and 3,007,752 shares of unvested restricted stock), respectively.

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, treasury shares at cost were 9,172,681 and 14,855,244 ordinary shares, respectively.

Movements in equity during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Number of ordinary shares issued	dinary e capital	Additional paid-in capital	Treasury shares	Accumulated retained earnings		Total equity
Balance as of December 31, 2016	187,847,345	\$ 2,282	\$4,555,310	\$ (490,092)	\$ (1,769)	\$4,096,157	\$8,161,888
Repurchase of shares		_	_	(1,124,724)		_	(1,124,724)
Share cancellation	(20,000,000)	(224)	(860,324)	860,548	_	_	_
Ordinary shares issued, net of tax withholdings	_	_	_	22,826	_	(42,752)	(19,926)
Share-based compensation	_	_	_	_	_	107,719	107,719
Direct equity movements of subsidiaries	_	_	_	_	16,043	_	16,043
Net income for the period						1,021,452	1,021,452
Balance as of December 31, 2017	167,847,345	\$ 2,058	\$3,694,986	\$ (731,442)	\$ 14,274	\$5,182,576	\$8,162,452
Repurchase of shares	<del></del>	_	_	(726,640)	_	_	(726,640)
Share cancellation	(16,000,000)	(192)	(800,544)	800,736	_	_	_
Ordinary shares issued, net of tax withholdings	_	_	_	181,261	_	(302,234)	(120,973)
Share-based compensation	_	_	_			95,176	95,176
Direct equity movements of subsidiaries	_	_	_	_	(16,098)	_	(16,098)
Net income for the period	_	_	_		_	918,515	918,515
Balance as of December 31, 2018	151,847,345	\$ 1,866	\$2,894,442	\$ (476,085)	\$ (1,824)	\$5,894,033	\$8,312,432

### Notes to the Company Financial Statements (Continued)

#### (U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

#### 34. Negative goodwill

Movements in negative goodwill during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Year I	Year Ended December 31,			
	2018	2017			
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 10,0	\$ 20,014			
Release to income, net	(2,9	(9,953) (9,953)			
Balance at end of period	\$ 7,1	<u>\$ 10,061</u>			
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<sup>(</sup>a) Includes negative goodwill write-off related to impairment of \$2.0 million.

### 35. Employees

AerCap Holdings N.V. had four (2017: six) employees, all employed outside the Netherlands, as of December 31, 2018. The disclosure on directors' remuneration is included in Note 28—*Directors' remuneration*.

#### 36. Audit fees

Our auditors charged the following fees for professional services rendered for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2018	2017		
Audit fees	\$ 5,573	\$	5,667	
Tax fees	512		554	
All other fees	3		103	
	\$ 6,088	\$	6,324	

The fees listed above relate only to the services provided to AerCap Holdings N.V. and its consolidated group entities by accounting firms and external auditors as referred to in Section 1(1) of the Dutch Accounting Firms Oversight Act (Dutch acronym: Wta). The total fees included \$0.5 million and \$4.3 million, all related to audit fees, which was charged by PricewaterhouseCoopers Accountants N.V. for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

### 37. Fiscal unity

The majority of our Dutch subsidiaries form one fiscal unity and are included in one consolidated tax filing. As of February 1, 2016, AerCap Holdings N.V. became a tax resident in Ireland and as a result is subject to corporate income tax in Ireland.

#### 38. Profit appropriation

Following the appropriation of result proposed by the Board of Directors, the net income of \$918.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 is added to the accumulated retained earnings and no profits shall be distributed as dividends to the shareholders.

### **Notes to the Company Financial Statements (Continued)**

(U.S. Dollars in thousands or as otherwise stated, except share and per share data)

### 39. Declaration of liability

AerCap Holdings N.V., as the parent company, guarantees certain notes and loans issued by subsidiaries, as disclosed in Note 13—*Debt* to the consolidated financial statements. AerCap Holdings N.V. has issued a declaration of liability as referred to in Article 2:403 of the Dutch Civil Code in respect of a significant number of its Dutch subsidiaries. Pursuant to section 403, AerCap Holdings N.V. has assumed joint and several liability for the debts arising out of the legal acts of these subsidiaries.

Dublin, March 8, 2019

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Aengus Kelly

Salem Al Noaimi

Homaid Al Shimmari

Julian (Brad) Branch

Paul Dacier

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### Other information

## **Statutory provision**

According to article 26 of the articles of association, the Board of Directors determines which amounts from the Company's annual profits are reserved.

#### **Independent auditor's report**

To: the general meeting and the Board of Directors of AerCap Holdings N.V.

#### Report on the 2018 financial statements

#### Our opinion

In our opinion, AerCap Holdings N.V.'s financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and the Group as at 31 December, 2018, and of its result for the year then ended in accordance with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

What we have audited

We have audited the accompanying 2018 financial statements of AerCap Holdings N.V. (the "Company"), Amsterdam. The financial statements include the consolidated financial statements of AerCap Holdings N.V. together with its subsidiaries (the "Group") and the company financial statements.

The financial statements comprise:

- the Consolidated and Company Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2018;
- the Consolidated and Company Income Statements For The Year Ended December 31, 2018;
- the notes, comprising the accounting policies and other explanatory information.

The financial reporting framework applied in the preparation of the financial statements is Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

#### The basis for our opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Dutch law, including the Dutch Standards on Auditing. We further described our responsibilities under those standards in the section 'Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Independence

We are independent of AerCap Holdings N.V. in accordance with the 'Wet toezicht accountantsorganisaties' (Wta, Audit firms supervision act), the 'Verordening inzake de onafhankelijkheid van accountants bij assuranceopdrachten' (ViO - Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, a regulation with respect to independence) and other relevant independence requirements in the Netherlands. Furthermore, we have complied with the 'Verordening gedrags- en beroepsregels accountants' (VGBA - Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, a regulation with respect to rules of professional conduct).

### Our audit approach

#### Overview and context

AerCap Holdings N.V. is an independent aircraft leasing company and its results are affected by the cyclical movements in the aircraft leasing industry, lease rates and aircraft valuation as well as availability of funds and cost of borrowing and changes in interest rates. We paid specific attention to the areas of focus driven by the operations of the Company, as set out below.

As part of designing our audit, we determined materiality and assessed the risks of material misstatement in the financial statements. In particular, we considered where management made important judgments, for example, in respect of significant accounting estimates that involved making assumptions and considering future events that are inherently uncertain. In paragraph two of the financial statements, the Company describes the areas of judgment in applying the accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty.

We identified a key audit matter relating to the revenue recognition from sales of aircraft portfolios due to the size of the asset disposals in 2018 and the unique and/or complex elements of the transactions. Furthermore, given the estimation uncertainty and the related higher inherent risks of material misstatement in the identification of trigger-based impairment events and resulting impairment calculation, we also considered this to be a key audit matter as set out in the section 'Key audit matters' of this report.

As in all of our audits, we also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including evaluating whether there was evidence of bias by management that may represent a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

We ensured that the audit team included the appropriate skills and competences that are needed for the audit. We included specialists in the areas of IT and tax in our team.

The outline of our audit approach was as follows:



#### Materiality

Overall materiality: \$57.5 million

#### Audit scope

We conducted audit work in the Netherlands and Ireland Audit coverage: 100% of consolidated revenue, 100% of consolidated total assets and 100% of consolidated profit before tax

#### Key audit matters

Revenue recognition from sales of aircraft portfolios Identification of trigger-based impairment events and resulting impairment calculation

### Materiality

The scope of our audit is influenced by the application of materiality, which is further explained in the section 'Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements'.

Based on our professional judgment, we determined certain quantitative thresholds for materiality, including the overall materiality for the financial statements as a whole as set out in the table below. These, together with qualitative considerations, helped us to determine the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures on the individual financial statement line items and disclosures and to evaluate the effect of identified misstatements, both individually and in aggregate, on the financial statements as a whole and on our opinion.

Overall group materiality...... \$57.5 million (2017: \$60 million).

**Basis for determining materiality.......** We used our professional judgment to determine overall materiality. As a basis for our judgment we used 5% of profit before tax based on the U.S. GAAP consolidated

financial statements as filed on Form 20-F (U.S. GAAP).

Rationale for benchmark applied....... Based on our analysis of the common information needs of users of the financial statements, we believe that profit before tax is an important metric for the financial

performance of the Company.

The Company uses two accounting frameworks for calculating profit before tax. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in the preparation of the financial statements is Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code ('Dutch GAAP'). The Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been applied for the quarterly and annual earnings releases and the financial statements filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and are applied in the operational accounting records and are predominately used by

most of the stakeholders.

In our judgment, the users of financial information of the Company are primarily interested in the U.S. GAAP financial information. Any user of these financial statements (Dutch GAAP) would likely not review this information in isolation; if users did review this information it would be in supplement to the U.S. GAAP financial information. Therefore, we applied the general accepted auditing practice benchmark of 5% on the profit before tax based on U.S. GAAP for the audit of these financial statements.

We also take misstatements and/or possible misstatements into account that, in our judgment, are material for qualitative reasons.

We agreed with the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors that we would report to them misstatements identified during our audit above \$2.8 million (2017: \$3 million) as well as misstatements below that amount that, in our view, warranted reporting for qualitative reasons.

The scope of our group audit

AerCap Holdings N.V is the parent company of a group of entities. The financial information of this Group is included in the consolidated financial statements of AerCap Holdings N.V. For AerCap Holdings N.V. and all its subsidiaries, the group audit team was able to conduct the audit procedures centrally in the Netherlands and Ireland. No use has been made of other auditors. The audit team has determined per financial statement line item which audit procedures needed to be performed in relation to the audit of the consolidated financial statements.

We are of the opinion that we have obtained sufficient and appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the Group as a whole to provide a basis for our opinion on the consolidated financial statements.

Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements. We have communicated the key audit matters to the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors. The key audit matters are not a comprehensive reflection of all matters identified by our audit and that we discussed. In this section, we described the key audit matters and included a summary of the audit procedures we performed on those matters.

We addressed the key audit matters in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon. We do not provide separate opinions on these matters or on specific elements of the financial statements. Any comments or observations we made on the results of our procedures should be read in this context.

No new key audit matters have been identified compared to 2017, as there have been no major changes in business activities.

#### Key audit matter

#### Revenue recognition from sales of aircraft portfolios

The net gain arising from the sale of the aircraft and engines was \$275 million, which includes the net gain on aircraft portfolio sales. The assessment of whether the portfolio sale qualifies for revenue recognition and whether the related gain or loss should be recognized can be complex due to unique elements that could be included in the contract, such as guarantees, performance obligations and/or the retention of an equity stake in the aircraft sold.

We focused on this matter because of the magnitude of the portfolio sales in 2018 and the unique and/or complex elements of the transactions. Incorrect accounting of the elements of such transactions may lead to the financial results being materially misstated.

# Identification of trigger-based impairment events and resulting impairment calculations

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Flight equipment held for operating lease amounts to \$35 billion at year-end 2018 and represents 81% of total assets.

Management performs trigger-based impairment assessments during each quarter (mainly resulting from potential sale or repossession of an aircraft). On an annual basis, management also performs assessments on all aircraft older than five years to identify potential impairment triggers and performs a quantitative impairment test on those aircraft, which are identified as meeting an impairment trigger. Trigger based impairment events include for example potential sales of aircraft, redeliveries of older aircraft and aircraft with early-terminated leases.

The impairment assessment is carried out on an individual aircraft level and requires a number of assumptions and the exercise of judgment regarding cash flow projections, such as future lease rates, discount rates, residual values, lease contract renewals and maintenance cash flow assumptions. In 2018, management recorded an amount of \$68 million related to impairments of flight equipment held for operating lease.

Based on the above we determined that identification of impairment triggers and the related impairment calculation to be a key audit matter.

#### Our audit work and observations

We tested the design and operating effectiveness of the relevant process controls, which includes contract review for specific GAAP implications that relate to the risks associated with revenue recognition from sales of aircraft portfolios. We determined that we could rely on these controls for the purposes of our audit.

We read all portfolio sales contracts and assessed the appropriate application of complex clauses, in particular reviewing for the presence and impact of unique elements of the transaction to determine if management's assertion that the portfolio sales qualify for revenue recognition is appropriate.

We performed substantive testing procedures on the net gain on sale of individual aircraft included in the portfolio sales. On a sample basis, we have obtained contract documentation, reconciled the proceeds with invoices, verified the receipts with bank statements, verified the transfer of title to the aircraft and agreed the net book values to the general ledger.

We verified that, when applicable, the other balance sheet items associated with the aircraft sold that have not been assigned to the buyer are released to income. These balance sheet items included for example maintenance related balance sheet items, straight-line rents and lease premiums.

We have recalculated the net gain or loss recorded and agreed it to the general ledger.

Based on our procedures we did not identify material exceptions.

We tested the design and operating effectiveness of the controls related to the flight equipment impairment process, which included management's review of the quarterly triggering events analysis and resulting impairment calculation. We determined that we could rely on these controls for the purposes of our audit.

We obtained management's quarterly analysis of impairment triggers and assessed it by reference to the list of events identified by management as requiring a quantitative calculation.

With respect to the additional annual impairment triggering events analysis, we reconciled the movements in the valuation of aircraft types as reported in industry reports provided to management by external valuation companies.

We tested the mathematical accuracy of management's model used, assessed the appropriateness of cash flow projections and challenged management's assumptions and inputs in the model such as the future lease rates, renewal assumptions, discount rates and residual values. This included a retrospective review in the current financial year by comparing prior years' estimates on future lease rates to new or amended lease agreements in 2018.

We challenged the discount rates used by management by comparing these to independently calculated discount rates using market data for comparable companies. In addition, we tested the appropriateness of management's future lease rate and residual value assumptions by comparing them to recently executed transactions.

Based on our procedures we found management's model and assumptions used reasonable within the context of our audit. We assessed the adequacy of disclosures related to impairment in the notes to the financial statements and did not identify material exceptions.

#### Report on the other information included in the annual report

In addition to the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon, the annual report contains other information that consists of:

- the table of definitions;
- report of the Board of Directors;
- the other information pursuant to Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

Based on the procedures performed as set out below, we conclude that the other information:

- is consistent with the financial statements and does not contain material misstatements;
- contains the information that is required by Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

We have read the other information. Based on our knowledge and understanding obtained in our audit of the financial statements or otherwise, we have considered whether the other information contains material misstatements.

By performing our procedures, we comply with the requirements of Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code and the Dutch Standard 720. The scope of such procedures was substantially less than the scope of those performed in our audit of the financial statements.

Management is responsible for the preparation of the other information, including the report of the Board of Directors and the other information in accordance with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

### Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

#### Our appointment

We were appointed as auditors of AerCap Holdings N.V. following the passing of a resolution by the shareholders in 2006 and the appointment has been renewed annually by shareholders representing a total period of uninterrupted engagement appointment of 13 years. We have served as the Company's predecessor's auditor since at least 1998. We have not determined the specific year we began serving as auditor of the Company's predecessor.

#### Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

### Responsibilities of the Board of Directors for the financial statements

The Board of Directors is responsible for:

- the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code;
- such internal control as the Board of Directors determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

As part of the preparation of the financial statements, the Board of Directors is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Based on the financial reporting framework mentioned, the Board of Directors should prepare the financial statements using the going-concern basis of accounting unless the Board of Directors either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. The Board of Directors should disclose events and circumstances that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in the financial statements.

The non-executive directors are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

### Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our responsibility is to plan and perform an audit engagement in a manner that allows us to obtain sufficient and appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for our opinion. Our audit opinion aims to provide reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. Reasonable assurance is a high but not absolute level of assurance, which makes it possible that we may not detect all misstatements. Misstatements may arise due to fraud or error. They are considered to be material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

Materiality affects the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures and the evaluation of the effect of identified misstatements on our opinion.

A more detailed description of our responsibilities is set out in the appendix to our report.

Amsterdam, 8 March 2019 PricewaterhouseCoopers Accountants N.V.

Original has been signed by H.C. Wüst RA

### Appendix to our auditor's report on the 2018 financial statements of AerCap Holdings N.V.

In addition to what is included in our auditor's report, we have further set out in this appendix our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements and explained what an audit involves.

### The auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have exercised professional judgment and have maintained professional skepticism throughout the audit in accordance with Dutch Standards on Auditing, ethical requirements and independence requirements. Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Our audit consisted, among other things of the following:

- Identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, designing and performing audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtaining audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the intentional override of internal control.
- Obtaining an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate
  in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal
  control.
- Evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Board of Directors.
- Concluding on the appropriateness of the Board of Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting, and based on the audit evidence obtained, concluding whether a material uncertainty exists related to events and/or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report and are made in the context of our opinion on the financial statements as a whole. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluating the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and
  evaluating whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves
  fair presentation.

Considering our ultimate responsibility for the opinion on the consolidated financial statements, we are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. In this context, we have determined the nature and extent of the audit procedures for components of the Group to ensure that we performed enough work to be able to give an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. Determining factors are the geographic structure of the Group, the significance and/or risk profile of group entities or activities, the accounting processes and controls, and the industry in which the Group operates. On this basis, we selected group entities for which an audit or review of financial information or specific balances was considered necessary.

We communicate with the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We provide the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, not communicating the matter is in the public interest.