

## Press Release

### BKIC discloses its financial results for the three months ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

Bahrain Kuwait Insurance Company B.S.C. (trading code in Bahrain Bourse “BKIC.BH” and in Boursa Kuwait “BKIKWT”) announced its consolidated financial results for the three months ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

The consolidated financial results presented a net profit attributable to the shareholders of BD 0.950 million compared to BD 0.854 million for the same period last year, representing an increase of 11.2%.

Earnings per share remained at 6 fils during the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of current year and in the same period last year taking into consideration the recent increase in capital.

The total comprehensive income attributable to the shareholders reached BD 1.04 million in Q1-2021 compared to comprehensive loss BD 0.987 million in Q1-2020.

The company achieved 17.2% growth in gross premium revenue from BD 21.02 million in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of last year to BD 24.63 million in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of current year. The underwriting profits increased by 32.7%, from BD 0.591 million in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of last year to BD 0.784 million in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of current year. The net investment income increased by 10%, from BD 0.522 million in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of last year to BD 0.574 million in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of current year.

The increase in the net profit for the three months ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 compared to the same period last year is mainly due to the significant improvement in underwriting which is the company’s core business as well as some improvement in the net investment income.

The total shareholders’ equity as end of March 2021 is BD 38.51 million compared to BD 39.61 million as end of last year, representing a decrease of 2.8% due to proposed dividends. The total assets by the end of March 2021 reached BD 235.38 million compared to BD 239.52 million as end of last year, representing a decrease of 1.7%. The net technical reserves increased from BD 36 million at the end of the last year to BD 40.61 million at the end of the current period.

Commenting on the company’s results, the Board of Directors expressed their satisfaction stating: “The Board is pleased to announce the results for the three months of 2021. Due to the support and confidence from our customers, business partners, and dedication of the management and employees, the results continue to show a positive and improving trend. The Board believes that the company will continue to achieve an attractive ROE in the coming periods with the recently increased paid-up capital.”



Also commenting on the performance, Dr. Abdulla Sultan, BKIC's CEO emphasized that the company's consolidated results in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2021 were pleasing. Both top-line and bottom-line growth in these unprecedented conditions is quite an achievement. The Combined Ratio also illustrates an improving trend.

On this occasion, the company is pleased to announce its latest developments on its Bank Assurance segment. BKIC has launched a first of its kind "Insurance via installments" product in the Kingdom of Bahrain, with its partner Bank of Bahrain & Kuwait (BBK). This is merely a stepping-stone on the various projects aligned as per the company's innovation, diversification, and digitalization strategies.

It is worth mentioning that Bahrain Kuwait Insurance Company (BKIC) is the lead insurance company in the Bahraini market rated A- (Excellent) with stable outlook, by A.M Best which is the highest rating in Bahrain to be awarded to a local direct insurer, reflecting the financial strength of the company to meet its future obligations. BKIC is a subsidiary of Gulf Insurance Group (GIG) which is the largest insurance Group in Kuwait in terms of written and retained premiums, with operations in life and non-life as well as Takaful insurance. Gulf Insurance has become one of the largest insurance networks in the Middle East and North Africa with companies in Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Egypt, Algeria, Iraq, Emirates, Turkey and Kuwait. KIPCO – Kuwait Projects Company – is Gulf Insurance Group's largest shareholder, followed by the Canadian-based Fairfax Financial Holding Ltd.

The full set of financial statements and the press release for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 are available on the websites of Bahrain Bourse and Boursa Kuwait.

