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IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2006, A 19.3% INCREASE OVER 2005**

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**CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE, THE GROUP'S LISTED HOLDING COMPANY,  
INCREASED ITS NET PROFIT 16.5% TO €78.3 MILLION**

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Today, SISTEMA MAPFRE and its listed holding company CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE released to the public their results for the first quarter of 2006, in which the Group recorded a 19.3% increase in its net profit to €211.2 million. In the respect, the following achievements must be noted:

- The total revenues of SISTEMA MAPFRE were €3,943.2 million, up 15.9% over the first quarter of 2005.
- Insurance and reinsurance premiums exceeded €3,322.3 million, a 13.8% increase.
- CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE, the group's listed holding company, recorded a 16.5% increase in its net profit that reached €78.3 million.
- The shareholders of CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE will approve in the Annual General Meeting, which is being held today, a dividend of €0.32 per share and a split of five new shares per each existing one.



**MAPFRE**

**PRESS RELEASE**

- MAPFRE AMÉRICA has become CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE's second largest unit by volume of business, with revenues of €565.2 million, 44.3% up on the figure for the same period of the previous year.
- MAPFRE QUAVITAE grew above 41% and made a profit before tax.

**1. Group result**

SISTEMA MAPFRE recorded total revenues of €3,943.2 million at the close of March 2006, a 15.9% increase, €3,322.3 million of which (+13.8%) corresponded to direct insurance and accepted reinsurance premiums.

Premiums in Motor insurance, the business line of SISTEMA MAPFRE's parent company, grew in excess of 5.5% over the first quarter of the previous year.

Funds under management in Life insurance and Savings products reached €19,483.7 million, a 7.7% increase over the same period of the previous year. This positive achievement is due to the writing of a larger volume of Life insurance business and to an increase in the sales of mutual funds, owing to the successful placement of new guaranteed products. Specifically, in the first quarter of 2006 assets under management grew 14.4% in mutual funds and 17.6% in pension funds. The favourable development recorded in funds under management received a further significant contribution from the growth of the Life insurance and Savings business in Brazil.

The Group's consolidated profit before tax was €290.5 million, an 19.6% increase. Profit after tax reached €211.2 million, exceeding the figure for the same period of 2005 by 19.3%.



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**2. CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE recorded a 16.5% increase in its net profit**

CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE, the listed holding company for most of the Group's subsidiaries filed today with the CNMV the report on its results at the close of March 2006, which likewise developed very favourably. Its consolidated profit before tax and minority interests reached €178.7 million, a 17.7% increase, and its attributable net profit was €78.3 million, a 16.5% increase over the figure for the first three months of the previous year.

The total revenues recorded by CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE and its subsidiaries in the January-March period reached €3,038.6 million, a 12.7% increase over the same period of 2004.

The total volume of premiums at the close of March 2006 was €2,572.9 million, a 13.6% increase. Non-life direct insurance premiums grew 14% to €2,024 million, while Life insurance premiums reached €548.9 million, a 12.1% increase.

The subsidiaries of CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE that operate in Spain, which are grouped under MAPFRE - CAJA MADRID Holding de Entidades Aseguradoras, obtained a volume of premiums of €1,764.4 million, a 7.5% increase, and a net profit of €79.5 million, a 16.2% increase.

Premiums growth was: 6.7% in Life insurance; 6.9% in General Insurance; 3.7% in Commercial insurance; and 10.3% in Health insurance.

The business activities of the subsidiaries of CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE that operate abroad also evolved positively, recording strong growth. Thus, MAPFRE AMÉRICA's revenues exceeded €565.2 million (up 44.3%), thereby placing this entity as CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE's second largest business unit in terms of revenues, supported by growth across all countries, and especially in Brazil and Argentina. During the first three months of the year, the entity opened 46 new branches in the Americas.



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The revenues of international reinsurer MAPFRE RE reached €404.9 million, equivalent to a 17.1% increase over the first quarter of 2005.

MAPFRE ASISTENCIA raised its revenues by 37.7% to reach an amount close to €100 million, owing to organic growth and the contribution from the business activities of ABRAXAS (whose revenues were €3.4 million).

Lastly, it is worth noting the above 41% increase in the revenues of MAPFRE QUAVITAE, which made a profit before tax in the first quarter, thereby confirming the growth opportunities for this business line.

Last March, the shares of CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE were included in the FTSE4Good index, which comprises the global companies that stand out for their commitment to social responsibility. This achievement underscores the public and international recognition of MAPFRE's initiatives in favour of sustainable development, and provides an opportunity to divulge the socially responsible activities carried out by the Group.



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**3. The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will approve a €0.32 dividend payable out of the results for 2005**

The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE will vote today, 27 April, on the approval of a split of the nominal value of its shares in the proportion of five new shares per each existing one, so that the total number of outstanding shares of the company will be 1,194,503,530, against the present 238,900,706 shares. The nominal value of each share will change from €0.5 at present to €0.1, once the operation is finalised.

Through this step, that does not alter the equity of the company, CORPORACIÓN MAPFRE wishes to increase the liquidity of its shares and make their acquisition affordable for all kinds of investors.

The Annual General Meeting will also vote on the payment of a dividend of €0.32 gross per share out of the results for fiscal year 2005. Of this amount, €0.17 were already paid on an interim basis last November, and the remainder (€0.15) will be paid from next 5 May.

Madrid, 27 April 2006

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**FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR SISTEMA MAPFRE AS AT 31.03.2006**

**1. Consolidated Income Statement for MAPFRE MUTUALIDAD and its subsidiaries (IFRS)**

ITEMS	€million		% Variation 06 / 05
	2006	2005	
<b>NON-LIFE INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE</b>			
Gross written and accepted premiums	2,673.4	2,377.0	12.5
Premiums earned, net of ceded and retroceded reinsurance	1,710.6	1,484.5	15.2
Net claims incurred and variation in other technical provisions	(1,268.4)	(1,069.2)	18.6
Net operating expenses	(380.0)	(277.3)	37.0
Other technical income and expenses	(6.3)	(19.4)	(67.5)
<b>TECHNICAL RESULT</b>	<b>55.9</b>	<b>118.6</b>	<b>(52.9)</b>
Net financial and other non-technical income	182.8	84.4	116.6
<b>Result of the Non-life business</b>	<b>238.7</b>	<b>203.0</b>	<b>17.6</b>
<b>LIFE INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE</b>			
Gross written and accepted premiums	648.9	541.9	19.7
Premiums earned, net of ceded and retroceded reinsurance	581.8	487.5	19.3
Net claims incurred and variation in other technical provisions	(584.4)	(573.0)	2.0
Net operating expenses	(79.3)	(47.3)	67.7
Other technical income and expenses	(3.0)	(3.8)	(21.1)
<b>TECHNICAL RESULT</b>	<b>(84.9)</b>	<b>(136.6)</b>	<b>(37.8)</b>
Net financial and other non-technical income	119.5	170.5	(29.9)
Unrealised gains and losses in unit-linked investments	6.1	4.2	45.2
<b>Result of the Life business</b>	<b>40.7</b>	<b>38.1</b>	<b>6.8</b>
<b>OTHER BUSINESS ACTIVITIES</b>			
Operating income	104.3	120.3	(13.3)
Operating expenses	(94.9)	(124.2)	(23.6)
Other revenues and expenses	1.7	5.7	(70.2)
<b>Result of the Other Business Activities</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>516.7</b>
<b>Result before tax and minority interests</b>	<b>290.5</b>	<b>242.9</b>	<b>19.6</b>
Taxes	(79.3)	(65.8)	20.5
<b>Result after tax</b>	<b>211.2</b>	<b>177.1</b>	<b>19.3</b>

**2. Consolidated results of CORPORACION MAPFRE (IFRS)**

COMPANIES	€million		% Variation 06 / 05
	2006	2005	
<u>Subsidiaries of MAPFRE-CAJA MADRID HOLDING</u>			
MAPFRE VIDA	46.1	41.9	10.0
MAPFRE SEGUROS GENERALES	34.9	29.4	18.7
MAPFRE EMPRESAS	36.4	28.5	27.7
MAPFRE CAJA SALUD	4.5	3.8	18.4
<u>Other subsidiaries of CORPORACION MAPFRE</u>	0.0	0.0	0.0
MAPFRE AMERICA	23.5	21.3	10.3
MAPFRE RE	31.0	28.3	9.5
MAPFRE ASISTENCIA	2.3	2.3	0.0
<b>TOTAL SUBSIDIARIES</b>	<b>178.7</b>	<b>155.5</b>	<b>14.9</b>
Consolidation adjustments and other items	0.0	(3.7)	-
<b>Result before tax and minority interests</b>	<b>178.7</b>	<b>151.8</b>	<b>17.7</b>
Taxes	(56.3)	(45.4)	24.0
<b>Result after tax</b>	<b>122.4</b>	<b>106.4</b>	<b>15.0</b>
Result attributable to minority interests	(44.1)	(39.2)	12.5
<b>Result attributable to CORPORACION MAPFRE</b>	<b>78.3</b>	<b>67.2</b>	<b>16.5</b>