

FOURTH QUARTER AND FULL-YEAR REPORT 2015

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SEK b.	Q4 2015	Q4 2014	YoY change	Q3 2015	QoQ change	Full year 2015	Full year 2014	
Net sales Sales growth adj. for comparable units and currency	73.6	68.0	8% -1%	59.2	24% 26%	246.9	228.0	
Gross margin	36.3%	36.6%	-1/0	33.9%	2070	34.8%	36.2%	
Gross margin excluding restructuring charges	36.6%	37.6%	-	34.5%	_	35.7%	36.6%	
Operating income	11.0	6.3	75%	5.1	117%	21.8	16.8	
Operating income excluding restructuring charges	11.7	7.1	65%	6.1	94%	26.8	18.3	
Operating margin	15.0%	9.3%	-	8.6%	-	8.8%	7.4%	
Operating margin excluding restructuring charges	16.0%	10.5%	-	10.2%	-	10.9%	8.0%	
Net income	7.0	4.2	68%	3.1	124%	13.7	11.1	
EPS diluted, SEK	2.15	1.29	67%	0.94	129%	4.13	3.54	
EPS (Non-IFRS), SEK 1)	2.50	1.71	46%	1.34	87%	6.06	4.80	
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Cash flow from operating activities

Net cash, end of period

¹⁾ EPS, diluted, excl. amortizations and write-downs of acquired intangible assets, and restructuring.

CEO COMMENTS

Reported sales in the quarter increased by 8% YoY. Sales, adjusted for comparable units and currency, decreased by -1%. Sales in North America grew YoY as well as QoQ. Profitability improved YoY, with higher IPR licensing revenues and lower operating expenses as main contributors. Network Rollout continued on its path to sustainable profitability.

Business

We saw a recovery in segment Networks in the quarter. In North America, the mobile broadband investments remained stable, with additional hardware sales in the quarter. 4G deployments in Mainland China recovered after a weak third quarter. Emerging markets such as India, Indonesia and Mexico remained strong while markets such as Russia, Brazil and parts of the Middle East continued to be weak, mainly due to macroeconomic developments. Investments in Europe were driven by the transition from 3G to 4G and capacity enhancements. Operators increased their investments in telecom core networks, driven by deployment of new service offerings such as VoLTE (Voice over LTE).

In the quarter, sales growth in segment Global Services was mainly driven by growth in Systems Integration and Managed Services while Network Rollout sales declined.

We ended the year with good YoY sales development in TV and Media which contributed to growth in Segment Support Solutions

IPR licensing

Our IPR strategy, to generate value from our investments in R&D, has been successful and over the last five years we have more than tripled our IPR licensing revenues. After the recent announcements of two important patent license agreements, we now have agreements with the majority of handset suppliers.

Targeted growth areas

In 2015, we had good progress in all our targeted growth areas and we continued to invest in order to establish leadership. Sales grew by more than 20% YoY, reaching SEK 45 b., corresponding to 18% of group sales.

The strategic partnership with Cisco, announced in the quarter, will give us strong end-to-end network solutions with a complete IP portfolio. As a result of the partnership, we will extend our addressable market and expect to generate USD 1 b. or more of additional sales by 2018. Additional sales are expected to be accretive to operating income in 2016.

Profitability

Operating margin increased to 15% (9%) YoY with improvements in all segments. The major contributors to the profit improvement were higher IPR licensing revenues and lower operating expenses, mainly in segment Networks. The effort to restore Network Rollout to a sustainable profitable business is progressing well, with a break-even operating income, excluding restructuring charges, for the second half of 2015.

Cost and efficiency program

The global cost and efficiency program is progressing according to plan, with the target to achieve net annual savings of SEK 9 b. during 2017 compared with 2014. Operating expenses, excluding restructuring charges, for the second half of 2015, declined by almost 10% compared with same period last year. We will continue to address operating expenses and increase efforts to further reduce cost of sales in order to improve the gross margin.

Cash flow

After a strong cash flow from operating activities in the fourth quarter, we delivered a full-year cash flow of SEK 20.6 b., exceeding the cash conversion target of more than 70%.

Focus 2016

Although company performance improved in the quarter, there is still a need for further improvements. Our focus in 2016 will be:

- 1. Core business While market conditions are challenging in certain parts of the world, we continue our work to capture business opportunities as more markets shift to 4G. At the same time we will work to extend our technology leadership also in the emerging 5G market.
- 2. Targeted growth areas After a period of investing, in order to create growth, we also need to improve earnings. This will involve stronger focus on software sales and recurring business as a complement to the already strong Professional Services business.
- 3. Cost and efficiency We are confident in our ability to achieve our SEK 9 b. cost and efficiency program by 2017. We are closely monitoring market and business development and will take all necessary actions to remain competitive across the entire business.

As we deliver in these areas, in combination with our other ongoing strategic initiatives, we are well positioned to create future shareholder value. Consequently, the Board of Directors will propose a dividend of SEK 3.70 (3.40) per share for 2015, an increase of 9% compared with last year.

Hans Vestberg

President and CEO

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

SEK b.	Q4 2015	Q4 2014	YoY change	Q3 2015	QoQ change	Full year 2015	Full year 2014
Net sales	73.6	68.0	8%	59.2	24%	246.9	228.0
Of which Networks	37.3	34.1	9%	28.8	29%	123.7	117.5
Of which Global Services	30.7	29.8	3%	27.1	13%	108.0	97.7
Of which Support Solutions	5.6	4.0	40%	3.3	70%	15.0	12.7
Of which Modems	-	0.1	-	-	-	0.1	0.2
Gross income	26.7	24.9	7%	20.1	33%	85.8	82.4
Gross margin (%)	36.3%	36.6%	-	33.9%	_	34.8%	36.2%
Research and development expenses	-7.9	-9.7	-18%	-8.5	-7%	-34.8	-36.3
Selling and administrative expenses	-8.0	-8.1	-1%	-6.4	25%	-29.3	-27.1
Other operating income and expenses	0.3	-0.8	-130%	0.1	218%	0.1	-2.2
Operating income	11.0	6.3	75%	5.1	117%	21.8	16.8
Operating margin	15.0%	9.3%	-	8.6%	-	8.8%	7.4%
for Networks	19%	13%	-	10%	-	10%	12%
for Global Services	8%	7%	-	9%	-	8%	6%
for Support Solutions	30%	11%	-	0%	-	10%	0%
for Modems	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Financial net	-0.7	-0.5	58%	-0.6	17%	-1.9	-1.0
Taxes	-3.3	-1.7	99%	-1.3	149%	-6.2	-4.7
Net income	7.0	4.2	68%	3.1	124%	13.7	11.1
Restructuring charges	-0.7	-0.8	-12%	-1.0	-28%	-5.0	-1.5

FOURTH QUARTER COMMENTS

Net sales

Reported sales increased by 8% YoY.

Sales, adjusted for comparable units and currency, decreased by -1%. Sales in the quarter were supported by high IPR licensing revenues. In North America, the mobile broadband investments remained stable, with additional hardware sales in the quarter. 4G deployments in Mainland China recovered after a weak third quarter.

Emerging markets such as India, Indonesia and Mexico remained strong while markets such as Russia, Brazil and parts of the Middle East continued to be weak. Investments in Europe were driven by the transition from 3G to 4G and capacity enhancements. Operators increased their investments in telecom core networks, driven by deployment of new service offerings such as VoLTE.

In the quarter, a global patent license agreement was signed with Apple, contributing to growth in IPR revenues both YoY and QoQ.

Segment Global Services remained strong, driven by good growth in Systems Integration and Managed Services. Network Rollout sales declined following decreased mobile broadband deployments.

Strong development in TV and Media contributed to growth in Segment Support Solutions.

Reported sales increased by 24% QoQ. 4G deployments in Mainland China recovered after a weak third quarter.

Gross margin

Gross margin declined slightly YoY despite higher IPR licensing revenues and lower restructuring charges. Lower mobile broadband software sales and strong sales in mobile broadband hardware had a negative impact on gross margin. There was also a one-time inventory write-down of SEK -0.4 b. in the quarter, related to segment Networks.

Gross margin, excluding restructuring charges, was 36.6% (37.6%).

Gross margin increased sequentially due to higher share of IPR licensing revenues, which was partly offset by a larger share of hardware sales with a lower margin. In addition, a one-time inventory write-down of SEK -0.4 b, was made.

Restructuring charges and cost and efficiency program

Restructuring charges decreased slightly YoY and QoQ.

The global cost and efficiency program is progressing according to plan. The target remains, to achieve net annual savings of SEK 9 b. during 2017 relative to 2014.

Operating expenses

Operating expenses, excluding restructuring charges, decreased to SEK 15.5 (17.6) b., driven by the ongoing cost and efficiency program. The main part of the savings is related to R&D.

Quarterly sales and reported sales growth year over year



Operating expenses and operating expenses, % of sales



Operating income and operating margin



Other operating income and expenses

Other operating income and expenses improved YoY. The revaluation and realization effects of currency hedge contracts were SEK -0.1 b. This was more than offset by several minor positive items. The effect of currency hedge contracts is to be compared with SEK -0.3 b. in Q3 2015 and SEK -1.0 b. in Q4 2014.

The main part of the currency hedge contract balance is in USD. The SEK was stable towards the USD between Sep 30, 2015 (SEK/USD rate 8.38) and Dec 31, 2015 (SEK/USD rate 8.40).

Operating income

Operating income increased YoY, supported by improvements in all segments. The increase was due to higher sales, lower operating expenses and reduced negative effect of currency hedge contracts. The net currency effect had a positive impact on operating income.

Financial net

The financial net decreased YoY and QoQ. The decrease YoY is mainly related to negative effects of foreign currency and interest revaluation of financial assets following higher interest rates. The decrease QoQ is also related to negative effects of the interest revaluation.

Taxes

The tax rate increased YoY and QoQ, negatively impacted by market mix.

Net income and EPS

Net income and EPS diluted increased YoY and QoQ following higher operating income. EPS diluted was 2.15(1.29), EPS (Non-IFRS) was SEK 2.50 (1.71).

Employees

The number of employees on Dec 31, 2015 was 116,281 compared with 116,240 on Sep 30, 2015. Reductions as part of the global cost and efficiency program continued, but were offset by recruitments to Global Service Delivery Centers and employees joining through in-sourcing due to new managed services contracts. The majority of the approximately 1,700 employees, impacted by the earlier announced reductions in Sweden, are no longer actively working for the company. The number of Ericsson services professionals on Dec 31, 2015 was 66,000 (65,000 on Sep 30, 2015).

MODEMS

The discontinuation of the modems business was completed in Q3 2015.

FULL-YEAR COMMENTS

Net Sales

Reported sales increased by 8%. Sales growth in India, North America and Mainland China as well as higher IPR licensing revenues were partly offset by lower sales in Japan, Russia and Brazil.

All three segments showed sales growth. Global Services sales grew by 11%, with 15% growth in Professional Services, while Network Rollout sales were almost flat. Networks sales grew by 5% and Support Solutions sales by 19%.

IPR licensing revenues amounted to SEK 14.4 (9.9) b. These revenues were previously estimated at SEK 13-14 b. In 2015, a global patent license agreement was signed with Apple.

In the year, the USD strengthened towards a number of currencies including SEK, impacting sales positively. At the same time the strong USD gradually impacted investments in some emerging markets.

Sales, adjusted for comparable units and currency, decreased by -5%.

Gross margin

Gross margin declined to 34.8% (36.2%). Excluding restructuring charges the gross margin declined to 35.7% (36.6%) due to a mix with a lower share of mobile capacity business and higher share of Global Services sales. This was partly offset by higher IPR licensing revenues and effects of implemented efficiency measures.

The mix of sales by commodity was; software 23% (24%), hardware 34% (34%) and services 43% (42%).

Restructuring charges and cost and efficiency program

Restructuring charges amounted to SEK -5.0 (-1.5) b., in line with previous estimates. The charges were mainly related to the cost and efficiency program announced in November 2014. The cost and efficiency program is progressing according to plan and is expected to generate net annual savings of SEK 9 b. during 2017.

With current visibility, total restructuring charges for 2016 are estimated to be approximately SEK 3-4 b. This includes both restructuring charges related to the cost and efficiency program and normal restructuring charges for the ongoing business transformation.

Operating expenses

Total operating expenses increased to SEK 64.1 (63.4) b. Operating expenses, excluding restructuring charges, decreased from SEK 63.0 to 61.4 b., due to lower R&D expenses amounting to SEK 32.8 (36.0) b. This is partly a result of implementation of activities related to the cost and efficiency program. Additions to capitalized development expenses amounted to SEK 3.5 (1.5) b. (see page 38, Information on investments). The increase was due to higher activity in technology platform development than a year ago.

Other operating income and expenses

Other operating income and expenses increased to SEK 0.1 (-2.2) b. The increase is mainly related to currency hedge effects of SEK -1.1 b. (-2.8) b. They derive from the hedge contract balance in USD, which has further decreased in value. The SEK has weakened towards the USD between December 31, 2014 (SEK/USD rate 7.79) and December 31, 2015 (8.40). The negative currency hedge effects were more than offset by several minor positive items and a capital gain of SEK 0.3 b. related to a real estate divestment in the US.

Operating income

Operating income increased to SEK 21.8 (16.8) b. despite significantly higher restructuring charges. The increase was mainly related to higher IPR licensing revenues, lower negative currency hedge effects and lower operating expenses, excluding restructuring charges. The net currency effect had a positive impact on operating income. Operating margin was 8.8% (7.4%).

Financial net

Financial net amounted to SEK -1.9 (-1.0) b. The decrease is mainly due to a negative effect of foreign currency revaluation and lower interest rates.

Taxes

The tax rate for 2015 was 31% compared with 30% in 2014, negatively impacted by market mix. Tax costs were SEK -6.2 (-4.7) b.

Net income and EPS

Net income increased to SEK 13.7 (11.1) b., for the same reasons as for the increase in operating income. EPS diluted was SEK 4.13(3.54), EPS (Non-IFRS) was SEK 6.06 (4.80).

Employees

In 2015, the number of employees decreased by 1,774. At the end of 2015, the total number of employees was 116,281 (118,055). Almost 15,000 employees joined Ericsson during the year and close to 17,000 employees left Ericsson, reflecting the natural attrition rate and ongoing company transformation.

REGIONAL SALES

		Fourth qu	uarter 2015		Char	nge	Full year 2015	Change
SEK b.	Networks	Global Services	Support Solutions	Total	YoY	QoQ	Total	YoY
North America	8.0	7.6	1.5	17.1	31%	19%	58.3	7%
Latin America	2.9	3.0	0.3	6.1	-7%	9%	21.4	-5%
Northern Europe and Central Asia	1.4	1.3	0.1	2.8	-30%	13%	10.6	-14%
Western and Central Europe	1.8	3.2	0.2	5.3	-13%	17%	19.7	0%
Mediterranean	2.7	4.0	0.3	7.0	-7%	27%	23.3	1%
Middle East	2.7	3.0	0.3	6.1	-11%	6%	22.8	7%
Sub-Saharan Africa	1.6	1.1	0.1	2.8	9%	6%	10.3	18%
India	1.7	1.3	0.1	3.2	34%	-13%	13.4	74%
North East Asia	5.8	2.9	0.2	8.9	-3%	40%	28.2	2%
South East Asia and Oceania	2.6	2.4	0.3	5.3	8%	12%	19.2	21%
Other 1)	6.1	0.7	2.1	8.9	91%	153%	19.6	33%
Total	37.3	30.7	5.6	73.6	8%	24%	246.9	8%

¹⁾ Region "Other" includes licensing revenues, broadcast services, power modules, mobile broadband modules, Ericsson-LG Enterprise and other businesses.

North America

Q4: Mobile broadband investments remained stable, with additional hardware sales in the quarter. ICT transformation, TV & Media and Professional Services continued to develop favorably.

Full year: Mobile broadband investments were slow as operators focused on cash flow optimization in order to finance major acquisitions and spectrum auctions. Investments stabilized during the second half of the year, driven by data traffic growth. ICT transformation, TV & Media and Professional Services developed favorably.

Latin America

Q4: Mobile broadband investments in Brazil continued to decline. This was partly offset by continued mobile broadband investments, mainly in Mexico. Professional services business, mainly related to transformation projects in OSS and BSS, developed favorably.

Full year: Sales decreased YoY mainly due to lower activities in Brazil. Operator investments increased in local currency, but not enough to compensate for the depreciation towards the USD and currency restrictions in many parts of the region. Professional Services sales grew, mainly in OSS and BSS.

Northern Europe and Central Asia

Q4: The mobile broadband business declined due to continued low investment levels in Russia. Professional Services grew, primarily in the Nordics, where managed services and ICT transformation were the main drivers.

Full year: Sales declined, primarily due to lower mobile broadband investments in Russia with sales of SEK 4.7 (6.7) b. However, sales stabilized in the second half of the year, but at a lower level compared to the same period last year. Professional Services sales increased, driven by Managed Services and ICT transformation projects in the Nordics. TV & Media and OSS and BSS developed favorably, driving sales growth in Support Solutions.

Western and Central Europe

Q4: Mobile broadband sales decreased as some important projects peaked. Operators continued to invest in network quality and new functionality, positively impacting Professional Services and Support Solutions.

Full year: Investments in mobile broadband were driven by the transition from 3G to 4G and capacity enhancements. At the same time, some important projects peaked. Sales were stable with a shift towards Professional Services and Support Solutions, as operators focus on network optimization, efficiency and new functionality.

Mediterranean

Q4: Sales declined due to lower investment levels in mobile broadband infrastructure, partly offset by increased sales in France and solid sales growth in Managed Services.

Full year: Sales increased somewhat, driven by Managed Services. Investments in mobile broadband were driven by the transition from 3G to 4G and improvement of the quality and capacity of the network.

Middle East

Q4: Sales slowed, as major network expansion projects were completed. Customers are more cautious with new investments given the challenging macro-economic situation. Global Services sales continued to grow, mainly in Consulting and Systems Integration.

Full year: Sales increased, primarily in Global Services. In the first half of the year, Network sales growth was mainly driven by some major mobile broadband projects, which were completed in the second half of the year.

Sub-Saharan Africa

Q4: Mobile broadband sales increased, driven by operators' continued focus on network quality.

Full year: Sales increased across all segments, driven by strong consumer demand for mobile broadband, despite a challenging regulatory environment and recent macro-economic development. Operators' focus on network quality and efficiency drove Professional Services sales growth.

India

Q4: Sales continued to be strong, mainly driven by investments in mobile broadband infrastructure to support the high growth in data usage. 4G deployments have also started.

Full year: Sales growth was driven by increased operator investments in mobile broadband infrastructure and Professional Services. Increased focus on network quality and cost optimization continued to drive strong sales growth for Managed Services. Support Solutions sales showed significant growth, driven by OSS and BSS.

North East Asia

Q4: The 4G deployments in Mainland China recovered after a weak third quarter. Operator investments in Japan increased QoQ, but are still at a lower level than the same period last year.

Full year: Sales growth was driven by 4G deployments in Mainland China, partly offset by lower operator investments in Japan. Professional Services showed growth, supported by the acquisition of Sunrise Technologies.

South East Asia and Oceania

Q4: Sales growth was primarily driven by mobile broadband expansions in Indonesia. Professional Services and Support Solutions developed favorably, mainly driven by network optimization as well as OSS and BSS transformation projects.

Full year: Sales increased, primarily driven by mobile broadband deployments across several markets. Professional Services sales developed favorably as operators focused on efficiency and network optimization. TV & Media showed a positive development during the year.

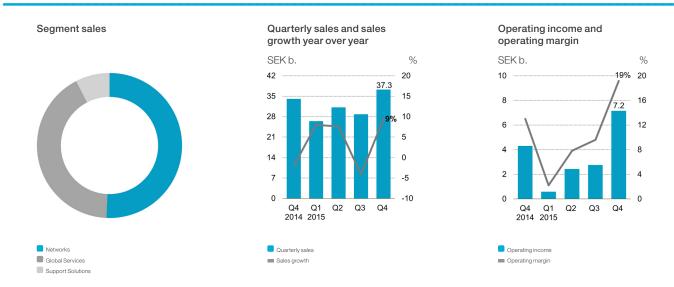
Other

Q4: Sales increased, driven by the Apple global patent license agreement.

Full year: Sales increased, driven by the Apple global patent license agreement and currency, as a majority of the IPR contracts are in USD. Broadcast services showed good growth. IPR licensing revenues amounted to SEK 14.4 (9.9) b.

SEGMENT RESULTS

NETWORKS



SEK b.	Q4 2015	Q4 2014	YoY change	Q3 2015	QoQ change	Full year 2015	Full year 2014
Net sales	37.3	34.1	9%	28.8	29%	123.7	117.5
Sales growth adj. for comparable units and currency	-	-	0%	-	30%	-8%	-3%
Operating income	7.2	4.3	66%	2.8	159%	12.9	13.5
Operating income excluding restructuring charges	7.4	4.5	66%	3.3	123%	15.8	14.0
Operating margin	19%	13%	-	10%	-	10%	12%
Operating margin excluding restructuring charges	20%	13%	-	12%	-	13%	12%
EBITA margin	21%	14%	-	11%	-	12%	14%
Restructuring charges	-0.3	-0.1	82%	-0.6	-54%	-2.8	-0.4

FOURTH QUARTER COMMENTS

Net sales

Reported sales increased by 9% YoY. The increase was mainly due to higher IPR licensing revenues. In North America the mobile broadband investments remained stable with additional hardware sales in the quarter. 4G deployments in Mainland China recovered after a weak third quarter. Sales, adjusted for comparable units and currency was flat YoY.

Emerging markets such as Mexico, India and Nigeria remained strong while markets such as Russia, Brazil and parts of the Middle East continued to be weak. Investments in Europe were driven by the transition from 3G to 4G and additional capacity enhancements.

Operators increased their investments in telecom core networks driven by deployment of new service offerings such as VoLTE.

Sales, adjusted for comparable units and currency, increased QoQ, mainly driven by higher IPR licensing revenues, higher sales in Mainland China and North America. Sales in India declined QoQ following a strong previous quarter.

The recently released Ericsson Radio System started to be shipped to customers in the quarter and will scale to address all regions in 2016. The modular solution provides competitive advantages and will address the site acquisition issues for the operators. The system delivers three times the capacity density, with 50% improvement in energy efficiency.

Operating income and margin

Operating income and margin increased YoY mainly due to higher IPR licensing revenues and lower operating expenses, mainly related to R&D. Operating income was negatively impacted by a one-time inventory write- down of SEK -0.4 b.

Sequentially, operating income and margin improved due to increased sales with a higher share of IPR licensing revenues and lower restructuring charges.

In the quarter, the effect of currency hedge contracts was negative at SEK -0.1 (-0.8) b. In Q3 2015, the effect of currency hedge contracts was negative at SEK -0.2 b.

Segment Networks has reported double-digit operating margin, excluding restructuring charges, for nine out of the last ten quarters.

FULL-YEAR COMMENTS

Net sales

Reported sales increased by 5% YoY. The increase was mainly due to higher IPR licensing revenues. Operator investments in mobile broadband in India and South East Asia increased. The large-scale LTE deployments in Mainland China continued at a high pace in 2015.

Sales in North America were flat YoY, supported by the strengthened USD. Mobile broadband investments in North America were negatively impacted by operator focus on cash flow optimization in order to finance major acquisitions and spectrum auctions.

In 2015, sales in targeted growth area IP networks grew, mainly driven by investments in packet core, VoLTE and user data management.

During the year, the USD strengthened towards a number of currencies including SEK, impacting sales positively. At the same time the strong USD gradually impacted investments in some emerging markets.

Sales, adjusted for comparable units and currency, decreased by -8% YoY.

Operating income and margin

Operating income and margin decreased due to a higher share of mobile broadband coverage business and higher restructuring charges. Increased IPR licensing revenues, lower operating expenses and lower negative effect of currency hedge contracts contributed positively to operating income and margin.

The year started with a high level of R&D expenses which gradually decreased as a result of the cost and efficiency program. The ambition to improve Networks profitability, remains.

Restructuring charges amounted to SEK -2.8 (-0.4) b. and the negative effect from hedge contracts was SEK -0.9 (-2.1). b.

GLOBAL SERVICES



Quarterly sales and sales growth year over year SEK b. 40





Operating income and

Quarterly sales Sales growth

		Operating income
		Operating margin

SEK b.	Q4 2015	Q4 2014	YoY change	Q3 2015	QoQ change	Full year 2015	Full year 2014
Net sales	30.7	29.8	3%	27.1	13%	108.0	97.7
Of which Professional Services	23.1	21.4	8%	20.5	12%	81.7	70.8
Of which Managed Services	8.2	7.7	6%	8.0	3%	31.8	27.2
Of which Network Rollout	7.6	8.4	-9%	6.5	17%	26.3	26.8
Sales growth adj. for comparable units and currency	-	_	-4%	_	17%	-2%	-2%
Operating income	2.5	1.9	31%	2.4	7%	8.2	6.1
Of which Professional Services	2.7	2.5	10%	2.4	14%	9.6	8.5
Of which Network Rollout	-0.2	-0.5	-66%	0.0	-	-1.4	-2.5
Operating margin	8%	7%	-	9%	_	8%	6%
for Professional Services	12%	12%	-	12%	_	12%	12%
for Network Rollout	-2%	-6%	-	0%	_	-5%	-9%
Operating income excluding restructuring charges	2.7	2.5	8%	2.7	1%	9.9	6.9
Operating margin excluding restructuring charges	9%	9%	-	10%	-	9%	7%
EBITA margin	9%	8%	-	10%	_	9%	7%
Restructuring charges	-0.2	-0.6	-65%	-0.4	-41%	-1.7	-0.8

FOURTH QUARTER COMMENTS

Net sales

Reported sales increased by 3% YoY. Sales, adjusted for comparable units and currency, decreased by -4% YoY due to lower Network Rollout sales. Within Professional Services, sales in Consulting and Systems Integration continued to show good growth driven by OSS and BSS transformation projects. The good momentum in Managed Services continued as operators outsource operations to improve network performance, quality and reliability, while maintaining cost control.

Sales, adjusted for comparable units and currency, increased by 17% QoQ with growth in both Professional Services and Network Rollout.

Operating income and margin

Operating income increased in Global Services YoY, driven by higher sales in Professional Services, reduced losses in Network Rollout and lower restructuring charges. The work to restore Network Rollout profitability continued. For the second consecutive quarter, operating margin, excluding restructuring charges, was 0%.

Professional Services operating margin was flat YoY.

Global Services operating margin decreased slightly QoQ due to a higher share of managed services projects in the transformation phase.

FULL-YEAR COMMENTS

Net sales

Reported sales increased by 11% YoY. Professional Services reported sales grew 15% with strong development across the portfolio and with growth in all ten regions.

Consulting and Systems Integration sales grew, driven by OSS and BSS transformation projects and by solutions for Industry & Society customers. Sales in Managed Services grew by 17% and the number of signed contracts increased by more than 40% compared with 2014.

Network Rollout sales were flat. Lower coverage project activities in Japan, North America and Latin America impacted sales negatively.

Global Services sales, adjusted for comparable units and currency, declined -2%.

Operating income and margin

Global Services operating income increased by more than 30% compared with 2014, driven by increased sales in Professional Services and reduced losses in Network Rollout. Professional Services margin was stable YoY.

The effort to restore Network Rollout profitability progressed well with a break-even result, excluding restructuring, for the second half of the year. Network Rollout full-year operating income, excluding restructuring charges, improved to SEK -0.4 (-2.2) b.

Restructuring charges increased to SEK -1.7 (-0.8) b. The implementation of the Global Services delivery strategy accelerated during the year as part of the cost and efficiency program, resulting in a remote delivery rate of 50% (44%). The ambition to optimize service delivery and improve profitability will continue.

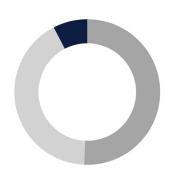
The effect of currency hedge contracts on operating income was SEK -0.2 (-0.6) b.

	Q4 2015	Q3 2015	Q2 2015	Q1 2015	Full year 2015	Full year 2014
Number of signed Managed Services contracts	26	18	30	27	101	71
Number of signed significant consulting & systems integration contracts 1)	21	16	16	13	66	56

¹⁾ In the areas of OSS and BSS, IP, Service Delivery Platforms and data center build projects.

SUPPORT SOLUTIONS

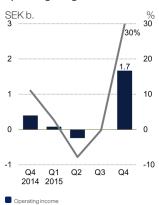




Quarterly sales and sales growth year over year



Operating income and operating margin



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Global Services
Support Solutions

SEK b.	Q4 2015	Q4 2014	YoY change	Q3 2015	QoQ change	Full year 2015	Full year 2014
Net sales	5.6	4.0	40%	3.3	70%	15.0	12.7
Sales growth adj. for comparable units and currency	-	-	22%	-	70%	0%	-2%
Operating income	1.7	0.4	-	0.0	-	1.5	0.0
Operating income excluding restructuring charges	1.9	0.5	-	0.0	-	2.0	0.1
Operating margin	30%	11%	-	0%	-	10%	0%
Operating margin excluding restructuring charges	34%	12%	-	1%	-	13%	1%
EBITA margin	34%	16%	-	7%	-	16%	6%
Restructuring charges	-0.2	0.0	-	0.0	-	-0.5	-0.1

FOURTH QUARTER COMMENTS

Net sales

Reported sales increased by 40% YoY. Sales, adjusted for comparable units and currency, increased by 22% YoY driven primarily by increased IPR licensing revenues but also by strong TV & Media sales in North America.

The implementation of the strategy to become the leader in the IP transformation of TV & Media continues. Ericsson is well positioned in this market and the acquisition of Envivio, a global leader in software-based video encoding, was completed in the quarter.

Sales, adjusted for comparable units and currency, increased QoQ, driven by IPR licensing revenues and TV & Media sales in North America.

Operating income and margin

Operating income and margin improved YoY and QoQ mainly driven by increased IPR licensing revenues and increased TV & Media sales, partly offset by increased restructuring charges.

FULL-YEAR COMMENTS

Net sales

Sales increased by 19% compared with 2014, with North America and India as main contributors. Sales, adjusted for comparable units and currency, were flat. The overall transition of business models, from traditional telecom software licenses to recurrent license revenue deals, continued.

Operating margin

Sales in OSS and BSS developed favorably. Growth of mobile broadband drives operators to transform their OSS and BSS solutions, in order to monetize the data growth while at the same time managing the increased complexity. The TV & Media business recovered in the quarter, with strong sales in North America. Two important TV & Media agreements were announced in North America in the second half of the year, showing the strong position Ericsson has in this transforming market.

IPR licensing revenues increased compared with 2014.

Operating income and margin

Operating Income and margin improved significantly compared with 2014, driven by higher sales. Focus going forward is to improve earnings leverage through increased recurring software sales and efficiencies.

Restructuring charges increased to SEK -0.5 (-0.1) b. due to the cost and efficiency program. The effect of currency hedge contracts on operating income was SEK -0.1 (-0.2) b.

CASH FLOW

SEK b.	Q4 2015	Q4 2014	Q3 2015	Full year 2015	Full year 2014
Net income reconciled to cash	11.0	8.3	6.8	24.3	22.3
Changes in operating net assets	10.9	0.3	-5.2	-3.7	-3.6
Cash flow from operating activities	21.9	8.6	1.6	20.6	18.7
Cash flow from investing activities	-12.8	-1.7	-0.1	-8.0	-7.5
Cash flow from financing activities	-0.7	0.4	-0.3	-10.7	-18.2
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	6.3	8.9	1.0	-0.8	-1.1
Cash conversion (%)	200%	104%	23%	85%	84%

FOURTH QUARTER COMMENTS

Cash flow from operating activities improved YoY. This was mainly due to lower working capital with reduced trade receivables and inventory. In addition, a global patent license agreement with Apple was signed in the quarter, including an initial payment to Ericsson.

Cash outlays of SEK 0.8 b. related to restructuring charges were made in the quarter. $\,$

Cash flow from investing activities was mainly impacted by the completion of the acquisition of Envivio. Cash flow effect from short-term investments was SEK 8.6 b. contributing to a cash flow from investing activities of SEK -12.8 b.

Cash flow from financing activities was negatively impacted by decreased external borrowings by subsidiaries of SEK -0.7 b.

Working capital KPIs, number of days	Jan-Dec 2015	Jan-Sep 2015	Jan-Jun 2015	Jan-Mar 2015	Jan-Dec 2014
Sales outstanding (target: <90)	87	113	112	125	105
Inventory (target:<65)	64	72	74	82	64
Payable (target:>60)	53	55	57	64	56

FULL-YEAR COMMENTS

Cash flow from operating activities was SEK 20.6 b. The positive earnings were somewhat offset by increased working capital, due to a business mix with a high share of coverage projects in Mainland China and emerging markets.

Total investing activities amounted to SEK -8.0 b. Investments in property, plant and equipment increased to SEK -8.3 (-5.3) b. driven by continued investments in new ICT centers in Sweden and Canada. Acquisitions amounted to SEK -2.2 (-4.4) b.

Financing activities were impacted by dividend payouts of SEK -11.3 (-9.8) b.

FINANCIAL POSITION

SEK b.	Dec 31 2015	Sep 30 2015	Jun 30 2015	Mar 31 2015	Dec 31 2014
+ Short-term investments	26.0	17.6	20.8	30.8	31.2
+ Cash and cash equivalents	40.2	34.0	33.0	35.3	41.0
Gross cash	66.3	51.5	53.8	66.1	72.2
- Interest bearing liabilities and post-employment benefits	47.8	51.8	50.3	50.5	44.5
Net cash	18.5	-0.2	3.5	15.6	27.6
Equity	147.4	138.0	136.7	149.1	145.3
Total assets	284.4	278.4	278.9	303.0	293.6
Capital turnover (times)	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.2
Return on capital employed (%)	11.6%	8.0%	6.9%	5.8%	9.8%
Equity ratio (%)	51.8%	49.6%	49.0%	49.2%	49.5%
Return on equity (%)	9.3%	6.2%	5.9%	3.6%	8.1%

Net cash increased by SEK 18.7 b. in the quarter as a result of strong operating cash flow and decreased pension liabilities.

The net cash position, excluding post-employment benefits, was SEK $41.2\ \mathrm{b}.$

Net cash decreased by SEK 9.1 b. in 2015, despite stronger cash flow from operating activities. Gross cash decreased, mainly due to increased investments in ICT centers and increased dividends.

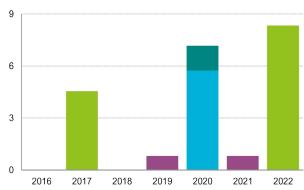
Pension liabilities increased by SEK 2.3 b. following actuarial adjustments.

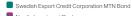
In 2015, Standard & Poor's and Moody's confirmed Ericsson's long-term rating BBB+/Baa1, both with stable outlook.

The average maturity of long-term borrowings as of Dec 31, 2015, was 4.8 years, compared with 5.7 years 12 months earlier.

Debt maturity profile, Parent Company

SEK b.





Nordic Investment Bank
European Investment Bank

Notes and Bonds

PARENT COMPANY

Income after financial items was SEK 16.8 (25.6) b. for the full year. The decrease was mainly due to lower recognized dividends from subsidiaries than last year.

Major changes in the Parent Company's financial position for the year; decreased cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments of SEK 6.4 b. and decreased current and non-current liabilities to subsidiaries of SEK 5.5 b. At the end of the year, cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments amounted to SEK 48.6 (55.0) b.

The Parent Company has recognized dividends from subsidiaries of SEK 6.5 b. in the quarter. At the end of the year the Parent Company recognized dividends from subsidiaries of SEK 15.2 (24.6) b.

In accordance with the conditions of the long-term variable compensation program (LTV) for Ericsson employees, 3,845,044 shares from treasury stock were distributed to employees and sold during the fourth quarter. The holding of treasury stock at December 31, 2015, was 49,367,641 Class B shares.

DIVIDEND, AGM AND ANNUAL REPORT

Dividend proposal

The Board of Directors will propose to the Annual General Meeting to resolve on a dividend of SEK 3.70 (3.40) per share, representing some SEK 12.2 (11.0) b., and April 15, 2016, as the record date for payment of dividend. The dividend reflects this year's earnings and balance sheet structure, as well as coming years' business plans and expected economic development.

Ericsson Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of shareholders will be held on April 13, 2016, 15.00 (CET) at Stockholm Waterfront Congress Centre, Stockholm, Sweden.

Annual Report

The annual report will be made available on our website www.ericsson.com and at the Ericsson headquarters, Torshamnsgatan 21, Kista, Stockholm, Sweden, in the first weeks of March.

OTHER INFORMATION

Ericsson and Apple signed global patent license agreement, settled litigation

On December 21, 2015 Ericsson announced that Ericsson and Apple have signed a global patent license agreement between the two companies. The agreement includes a cross license that covers standard-essential patents of both companies (including GSM, UMTS and LTE cellular standards), and grants certain other patent rights. In addition, the agreement includes releases that resolve all pending patent-infringement litigations between the companies.

As part of the seven-year agreement, Apple will make an initial payment to Ericsson and, thereafter, will pay on-going royalties. The specific terms of the contract are confidential. The agreement ends all investigations before the US International Trade Commission, lawsuits pending in the US District Court for the Eastern District of Texas and the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California, as well as lawsuits in the United Kingdom, Germany and the Netherlands.

Ericsson Capital Markets Day 2015

On November 10, 2015, Ericsson held its Capital Markets Day (CMD) in Stockholm. The company gave an update on the progress of implementation of its strategic agenda, with focus on market development, growth agenda and profitability.

Ericsson announced that its activities and ways to accelerate cost reductions to achieve annual savings of approximately SEK 9 b. with full effect during 2017, were on track.

Ericsson in strategic partnership with Cisco to generate sales and synergies

On November 9, 2015, Ericsson announced a next-generation strategic partnership with Cisco (NASDAQ:CSCO) to create the networks of the future. The partnership will combine the best of both companies: routing, data center, networking, cloud, mobility, management and control, and global services capabilities. Ericsson will together with Cisco, leader in IP-networking, offer end-toend leadership across network architectures for 5G, cloud and IP, and the Internet of Things.

The announcement was supported by multiple agreements including a global services partner agreement, as well as a broad reseller agreement. The parties have also agreed to discuss FRAND policies and enter a licensing agreement for their respective patent portfolios.

As a result of the partnership, Ericsson will extend its addressable market and is expected to generate USD 1 billion or more of additional sales by 2018 (full year). The extended addressable market is primarily in professional services, software and in reselling of Cisco products. Additional sales are expected to be accretive to operating income already in 2016. The partnership is expected to result in a full-year effect of synergies, primarily in operating expenses, of SEK 1 billion in 2018 for Ericsson.

Ericsson and Cisco will continue to explore further joint business opportunities as the partnership progresses.

Ericsson completed acquisition of Envivio

On October 27, 2015, Ericsson announced that it has completed the acquisition of Envivio, Inc. (NASDAQ: ENVI) through a tender offer for all the shares in Envivio Inc., a global leader in software-based video encoding. The transaction was completed through a merger of its indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, Cindy Acquisition Corporation, with and into Envivio, Inc. Envivio, Inc. survives the merger as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ericsson. In the putative class action filed in November in the Delaware Court of Chancery on behalf of all Envivio's stockholders, Ericsson filed a motion in October to dismiss the complaint. In November 2015 the plaintiff voluntarily dismissed the case without prejudice. This case is now officially closed.

POST-CLOSING EVENTS

Ericsson and Huawei extend global patent cross license agreement

On January 15, 2016, Ericsson announced that Ericsson and Huawei have agreed on extending their global patent license agreement between the two companies. The agreement includes a cross license that covers patents relating to both companies' wireless standard-essential patents (including the GSM, UMTS and LTE cellular standards). As part of the renewed agreement, Huawei will make on-going royalty payment based upon actual sales to Ericsson.

RISK FACTORS

Ericsson's operational and financial risk factors and uncertainties along with our strategies and tactics to mitigate risk exposures or limit unfavorable outcomes are described in our Annual Report 2014. Compared to the risks described in the Annual Report 2014, no material, new or changed risk factors or uncertainties have been identified in the year.

Risk factors and uncertainties in focus short-term for the Parent Company and the Ericsson Group include:

- > Potential negative effects on operators' willingness to invest in network development due to uncertainty in the financial markets and a weak economic business environment, or reduced consumer telecom spending, or increased pressure on us to provide financing, or delayed auctions of spectrums;
- Uncertainty regarding the financial stability of suppliers, for example due to lack of financing;
- > Effects on gross margins and/or working capital of the business mix in the Networks segment between capacity sales and new coverage build-outs;
- > Effects on gross margins of the business mix in the Global Services segment including proportion of new network buildouts and share of new managed services deals with initial transition costs:
- Effects of the ongoing industry consolidation among our customers as well as between our largest competitors, e.g. with postponed investments and intensified price competition as a consequence;
- > Changes in foreign exchange rates, in particular USD;
- > Political unrest or instability in certain markets;
- Effects on production and sales from restrictions with respect to timely and adequate supply of materials, components and production capacity and other vital services on competitive terms:
- No guarantees that specific restructuring or cost-savings initiatives will be sufficient, successful or executed in time to deliver any improvements in short-term earnings.

Ericsson stringently monitors the compliance with all relevant trade regulations and trade embargos applicable to dealings with customers operating in countries where there are trade restrictions or trade restrictions are discussed. Moreover, Ericsson operates globally in accordance with Group policies and directives for business ethics and conduct.

Stockholm, January 27, 2016

Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson

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Board of Directors

Date for next report: April 21, 2016

AUDITORS' REVIEW REPORT

Introduction

We have reviewed the condensed interim financial information (interim report) of Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson (publ.) as of December 31, 2015, and the twelve months period then ended. The board of directors and the CEO are responsible for the preparation and presentation of this interim report in accordance with IAS 34 and the Swedish Annual Accounts Act. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on this interim report based on our review.

Scope of review

We conducted our review in accordance with the International Standard on Review Engagements ISRE 2410, Review of Interim Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity.

A review consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing, ISA, and other generally accepted auditing standards in Sweden. The procedures performed in a review do not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the interim report is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34 and the Swedish Annual Accounts Act, regarding the Group, and with the Swedish Annual Accounts Act, regarding the Parent Company.

Stockholm, January 27, 2016 PricewaterhouseCoopers AB

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EDITOR'S NOTE

Ericsson invites media, investors and analysts to a press conference at the Ericsson Studio, Grönlandsgången 4, Stockholm, at 09.00 (CET), January 27, 2016. A financial analyst, investor and media conference call will begin at 14.00 (CET).

Live webcast of the press conference and conference call as well as supporting slides will be available at

www.ericsson.com/press and www.ericsson.com/investors

Video material will be published during the day on www.ericsson.com/press

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SAFE HARBOR STATEMENT

All statements made or incorporated by reference in this release, other than statements or characterizations of historical facts, are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on our current expectations, estimates and projections about our industry, management's beliefs and certain assumptions made by us. Forward-looking statements can often be identified by words such as "anticipates", "expects", "intends", "plans", "predicts", "believes", "seeks", "estimates", "may", "will", "should", "would", "potential", "continue", and variations or negatives of these words, and include, among others, statements regarding: (i) strategies, outlook and growth prospects; (ii) positioning to deliver future plans and to realize potential for future growth; (iii) liquidity and capital resources and expenditure, and our credit ratings; (iv) growth in demand for our products and services; (v) our joint venture activities; (vi) economic outlook and industry trends; (vii) developments of our markets; (viii) the impact of regulatory initiatives; (ix) research and development expenditures; (x) the strength of our competitors; (xi) future cost savings; (xii) plans to launch new products and services; (xiii) assessments of risks; (xiv) integration of acquired businesses; (xv) compliance with rules and regulations and (xvi) infringements of intellectual property rights of others.

In addition, any statements that refer to expectations, projections or other characterizations of future events or circumstances, including any underlying assumptions, are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date hereof and are based upon the information available to us at this time. Such information is subject to change, and we will not necessarily inform you of such changes. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions that are difficult to predict. Therefore, our actual results could differ materially and adversely from those expressed in any forward-looking statements as a result of various factors. Important factors that may cause such a difference for Ericsson include, but are not limited to: (i) material adverse changes in the markets in which we operate or in global economic conditions; (ii) increased product and price competition; (iii) reductions in capital expenditure by network operators; (iv) the cost of technological innovation and increased expenditure to improve quality of service; (v) significant changes in market share for our principal products and services; (vi) foreign exchange rate or interest rate fluctuations; and (vii) the successful implementation of our business and operational initiatives.

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CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

		Oct-Dec		Jan-Dec			
SEK million	2015	2014	Change	2015	2014	Change	
Net sales	73,568	67,986	8%	246,920	227,983	8%	
Cost of sales	-46,899	-43,100	9%	-161,101	-145,556	11%	
Gross income	26,669	24,886	7%	85,819	82,427	4%	
Gross margin (%)	36.3%	36.6%		34.8%	36.2%		
Research and development expenses	-7,921	-9,668	-18%	-34,844	-36,308	-4%	
Selling and administrative expenses	-7,996	-8,107	-1%	-29,285	-27,100	8%	
Operating expenses	-15,917	-17,775	-10%	-64,129	-63,408	1%	
Other operating income and expenses	254	-837		153	-2,156		
Shares in earnings of JV and associated companies	29	28	-	-38	-56		
Operating income	11,035	6,302	75%	21,805	16,807	30%	
Financial income	-109	179		525	1,277		
Financial expenses	-619	-639	•	-2,458	-2,273		
Income after financial items	10,307	5,842	76%	19,872	15,811	26%	
Taxes	-3,329	-1,677		-6,199	-4,668		
Net income	6,978	4,165	68%	13,673	11,143	23%	
Net income attributable to:							
Stockholders of the Parent Company	7,056	4,223	-	13,549	11,568		
Non-controlling interests	-78	-58		124	-425		
Other information							
Average number of shares, basic (million)	3,254	3,241	_	3,249	3,237		
Earnings per share, basic (SEK) 1)	2.17	1.30	_	4.17	3.57		
Earnings per share, diluted (SEK) 1)	2.15	1.29	•	4.13	3.54		

¹⁾ Based on Net income attributable to stockholders of the Parent Company.

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Oct-I	Jan-Dec		
SEK million	2015	2014	2015	2014
Net income	6,978	4,165	13,673	11,143
Other comprehensive income				
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss				
Remeasurements of defined benefits pension plans incl. asset ceiling	3,860	-7,380	-2,026	-10,017
Tax on items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss	– 797	1,679	721	2,218
Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss				
Cash flow hedges	•	*	•	
Gains/losses arising during the period	_	_	_	_
Reclassification adjustments for gains/losses included in profit or loss	_	_	_	_
Revaluation of other investments in shares and participations				
Fair value remeasurement	216	8	457	47
Changes in cumulative translation adjustments	-1,141	3,058	-604	8,734
Share of other comprehensive income on JV and associated companies	_	217	141	579
Tax on items that may be reclassified to profit or loss	_	5	_	5
Total other comprehensive income, net of tax	2,138	-2,413	-1,311	1,566
Total comprehensive income	9,116	1,752	12,362	12,709
Total comprehensive income attributable to:				
Stockholders of the Parent Company	9,173	1,769	12,218	12,981
Non-controlling interest	– 57	-17	144	-272

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

SEK million	Dec 31 2015	Sep 30 2015	Dec 31 2014
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Intangible assets			
Capitalized development expenses	5,493	4,660	3,570
Goodwill	41,087	41,524	38,330
Intellectual property rights, brands and other intangible assets	9,316	9,879	12,534
Property, plant and equipment	15,901	15,774	13,341
	10,301	10,774	10,041
Financial assets	1 010		0.700
Equity in JV and associated companies	1,210	1,214	2,793
Other investments in shares and participations	1,275	936	591
Customer finance, non-current	1,739	2,020	1,932
Other financial assets, non-current	5,634	4,428	5,900
Deferred tax assets	13,183	13,575	12,778
	94,838	94,010	91,769
Current assets			
Inventories	28,436	32,187	28,175
Trade receivables	71,069	74,957	77,893
Customer finance, current	2,041	2,089	2,289
Other current receivables	21,709	23,588	21,273
Short-term investments	26,046	17,597	31,171
Cash and cash equivalents	40,224	33,950	40,988
	189,525	184,368	201,789
Total assets	284,363	278,378	293,558
Total dosets	204,000	210,010	200,000
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity	140 505	107.000	144.000
Stockholders' equity	146,525	137,086	144,306
Non-controlling interest in equity of subsidiaries	841	898	1,003
	147,366	137,984	145,309
Non-current liabilities			
Post–employment benefits	22,664	26,011	20,385
Provisions, non-current	176	35	202
Deferred tax liabilities	2,472	2,208	3,177
Borrowings, non-current	22,744	22,900	21,864
Other non-current liabilities	1,851	1,802	1,797
	49,907	52,956	47,425
Current liabilities			
Provisions, current	3,662	4,296	4,225
	2,376	4,296 2,885	4,225 2,281
Provisions, current			
Provisions, current Borrowings, current	2,376	2,885	2,281
Provisions, current Borrowings, current Trade payables	2,376 22,389	2,885 21,734	2,281 24,473
Provisions, current Borrowings, current Trade payables	2,376 22,389 58,663	2,885 21,734 58,523	2,281 24,473 69,845 100,824
Provisions, current Borrowings, current Trade payables Other current liabilities Total equity and liabilities	2,376 22,389 58,663 87,090	2,885 21,734 58,523 87,438 278,378	2,281 24,473 69,845 100,824 293,558
Provisions, current Borrowings, current Trade payables Other current liabilities Total equity and liabilities Of which interest—bearing liabilities and post—employment benefits	2,376 22,389 58,663 87,090 284,363 47,784	2,885 21,734 58,523 87,438 278,378 51,796	2,281 24,473 69,845 100,824 293,558 <i>44,530</i>
Provisions, current Borrowings, current Trade payables Other current liabilities Total equity and liabilities	2,376 22,389 58,663 87,090	2,885 21,734 58,523 87,438 278,378	2,281 24,473 69,845 100,824 293,558 <i>44,530</i>
Provisions, current Borrowings, current Trade payables Other current liabilities Total equity and liabilities Of which interest—bearing liabilities and post—employment benefits	2,376 22,389 58,663 87,090 284,363 47,784	2,885 21,734 58,523 87,438 278,378 51,796	2,281 24,473 69,845 100,824 293,558

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Oct-De	Jan-Dec		
SEK million	2015	2014	2015	2014
Operating activities				
Net income	6,978	4,165	13,673	11,143
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash		-		
Taxes	395	475	-2,835	-1,235
Earnings/dividends in JV and associated companies	-33	-25	130	305
Depreciation, amortization and impairment losses	2,521	2,690	10,206	9,945
Other	1,092	965	3,110	2,185
	10,953	8,270	24,284	22,343
Changes in operating net assets				
Inventories	3,496	1,203	-366	-2,924
Customer finance, current and non-current	302	174	824	-710
Trade receivables	2,754	-4,661	7,000	1,182
Trade payables	886	1,250	-2,676	1,265
Provisions and post–employment benefits	-673	-152	544	-859
Other operating assets and liabilities, net	4,141	2,512	-9,013	-1,595
	10,906	326	-3,687	-3,641
Cash flow from operating activities	21,859	8,596	20,597	18,702
Investing activities			-	
Investments in property, plant and equipment	-1,740	-1,553	-8,338	-5,322
Sales of property, plant and equipment	92	56	1,301	522
Acquisitions/divestments of subsidiaries and other operations, net	-945	-1,747	-2,200	-4,394
Product development	-1,183	-986	-3,302	-1,523
Other investing activities	-418	-1,533	-543	-3,392
Short-term investments	-8,613	4,066	5,095	6,596
Cash flow from investing activities	-12,807	-1,697	-7,987	-7,513
Cash flow before financing activities	9,052	6,899	12,610	11,189
Financing activities				
Dividends paid			-11,337	-9,846
Other financing activities		371	627	-8,379
Cash flow from financing activities	-669	356	-10,710	-18,225
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	-2,109	1,691	-2,664	5,929
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	6,274	8,946	-764	-1,107
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	33,950	32,042	40,988	42,095
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	40,224	40,988	40,224	40,988

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

SEK million	Jan-Dec 2015	Jan-Dec 2014
Opening balance	145,309	141,623
Total comprehensive income	12,362	12,709
Sale/repurchase of own shares	169	106
Stock purchase plan	865	717
Dividends paid	-11,337	-9,846
Transactions with non-controlling interests	-2	_
Closing balance	147,366	145,309

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT – ISOLATED QUARTERS

	2015				2014			
Isolated quarters, SEK million	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Net sales	73,568	59,161	60,671	53,520	67,986	57,643	54,849	47,505
Cost of sales	-46,899	-39,110	-40,536	-34,556	-43,100	-37,362	-34,910	-30,184
Gross income	26,669	20,051	20,135	18,964	24,886	20,281	19,939	17,321
Gross margin (%)	36.3%	33.9%	33.2%	35.4%	36.6%	35.2%	36.4%	36.5%
Research and development expenses	-7,921	-8,540	-9,896	-8,487	-9,668	-9,281	-9,084	-8,275
Selling and administrative expenses	-7,996	-6,393	-7,765	-7,131	-8,107	-6,000	-6,541	-6,452
Operating expenses	-15,917	-14,933	-17,661	-15,618	-17,775	-15,281	-15,625	-14,727
Other operating income and expenses	254	80	1,059	-1,240	-837	-1,134	-206	21
Shares in earnings of JV and associated companies	29	-121	27	27	28	10	-109	15
Operating income	11,035	5,077	3,560	2,133	6,302	3,876	3,999	2,630
Financial income	-109	188	-238	684	179	429	268	401
Financial expenses	-619	-809	-290	-740	-639	-557	-465	-612
Income after financial items	10,307	4,456	3,032	2,077	5,842	3,748	3,802	2,419
Taxes	-3,329	-1,338	-909	-623	-1,677	-1,124	-1,140	-727
Net income	6,978	3,118	2,123	1,454	4,165	2,624	2,662	1,692
Net income attributable to:								
Stockholders of the Parent Company	7,056	3,080	2,094	1,319	4,223	2,646	2,579	2,120
Non-controlling interests	-78	38	29	135	-58	-22	83	-428
Other information								
Average number of shares, basic (million)	3,254	3,251	3,247	3,244	3,241	3,238	3,235	3,233
Earnings per share, basic (SEK) 1)	2.17	0.95	0.64	0.41	1.30	0.82	0.80	0.66
Earnings per share, diluted (SEK) 1)	2.15	0.94	0.64	0.40	1.29	0.81	0.79	0.65

 $^{^{\}mbox{\scriptsize 1})}$ Based on Net income attributable to stockholders of the Parent Company.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS – ISOLATED QUARTERS

_		2015				2014		
Isolated quarters, SEK million	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Operating activities								
Net income	6,978	3,118	2,123	1,454	4,165	2,624	2,662	1,692
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash							•	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Taxes	395	51	-1,360	-1,921	475	-388	26	-1,348
Earnings/dividends in JV and associated companies	-33	136	49	-22	-25	-10	356	-16
Depreciation, amortization and impairment losses	2,521	2,425	2,579	2,681	2,690	2,481	2,414	2,360
Other	1,092	1,052	22	944	965	267	404	549
	10,953	6,782	3,413	3,136	8,270	4,974	5,862	3,237
Changes in operating net assets								
Inventories	3,496	-226	383	-4,019	1,203	-840	-1,188	-2,099
Customer finance, current and non-current	302	375	405	-258	174	-1,101	-341	558
Trade receivables	2.754	-1.421	3.630	2.037	-4.661	-1.222	-892	7.957
Trade payables	886	-494	-1,400	-1,668	1,250	-1.519	1.644	-110
Provisions and post–employment benefits	-673	-302	1,685	-166	-152	-18	-225	-464
Other operating assets and liabilities, net	4,141	-3,154	-5,038	-4,962	2,512	-1,624	-2,806	323
Section of the sectio	10,906	-5,222	-335	-9,036	326	-6,324	-3,808	6,165
Cash flow from operating activities	21,859	1,560	3,078	-5,900	8,596	-1,350	2,054	9,402
Investing activities								
Investments in property, plant and equipment	-1.740	-1.807	-2.424	-2.367	-1.553	-1.415	-1.320	-1.034
Sales of property, plant and equipment	92	59	1,075	75	56	139	53	274
Acquisitions/divestments of subsidiaries and				•				
other operations, net	-945	-1,028	-169	-58	-1,747	-286	-1,512	-849
Product development	-1,183	-982	-843	-294	-986	-155	-185	-197
Other investing activities	-418	37	-280	118	-1,533	-1,302	-388	-169
Short-term investments	-8,613	3,631	9,678	399	4,066	2,308	7,012	-6,790
Cash flow from investing activities	-12,807	-90	7,037	-2,127	-1,697	-711	3,660	-8,765
Cash flow before financing activities	9,052	1,470	10,115	-8,027	6,899	-2,061	5,714	637
Financing activities						_		
Dividends paid	_	-277	-11,035	-25	-15	-3	-9,828	_
Other financing activities	-669	-34	431	899	371	-1,288	-2,393	-5,069
Cash flow from financing activities	-669	-311	-10,604	874	356	-1,291	-12,221	-5,069
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	-2,109	-171	-1,860	1,476	1,691	2,306	1,499	433
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	6,274	988	-2,349	-5,677	8,946	-1,046	-5,008	-3,999
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	33,950	32,962	35,311	40,988	32,042	33,088	38,096	42,095
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	40,224	33,950	32,962	35,311	40,988	32,042	33,088	38,096

PARENT COMPANY INCOME STATEMENT

	Oct-	Oct-Dec				
SEK million	2015	2014	2015	2014		
Net sales	_	_	_	-		
Cost of sales		_	_	_		
Gross income	_		_	_		
Operating expenses	-425	-436	-1,040	-1,209		
Other operating income and expenses	729	1,013	2,889	3,088		
Operating income	304	577	1,849	1,879		
Financial net	6,447	9,210	14,952	23,684		
Income after financial items	6,751	9,787	16,801	25,563		
Transfers to (–) / from untaxed reserves	-1,500	-1,700	-1,500	-1,700		
Taxes	158	235	-208	-263		
Net income	5,409	8,322	15,093	23,600		

PARENT COMPANY STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Oct-	-Dec	Jan-Dec		
SEK million	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Net income	5,409	8,322	15,093	23,600	
Revaluation of other investments in shares and participations					
Fair value remeasurement	216	7	457	46	
Total other comprehensive income, net of tax	216	7	457	46	
Total comprehensive income	5,625	8,329	15,550	23,646	

PARENT COMPANY BALANCE SHEET

SEK million	Dec 31 2015	Dec 31 2014
ASSETS		
Fixed assets		
Intangible assets	809	1,193
Tangible assets	456	470
Financial assets	99,914	97,901
	101,179	99 564
Current assets		
Inventories	_	27
Receivables	25,692	24,819
Short-term investments	25,506	30,576
Cash and cash equivalents	23,118	24,443
	74,316	79,865
Total assets	175,495	179,429
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY, PROVISIONS AND LIABILITIES		
Equity		
Restricted equity	48,018	48,018
Non–restricted equity	42,578	37,871
	90,596	85,889
Provisions	807	1,471
Non-current liabilities	46,457	45,512
Current liabilities	37,635	46,557
Total stockholders' equity, provisions and liabilities	175,495	179,429
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Assets pledged as collateral	320	525

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

THE GROUP

This interim report is prepared in accordance with IAS 34. The term "IFRS" used in this document refers to the application of IAS and IFRS as well as interpretations of these standards as issued by IASB's Standards Interpretation Committee (SIC) and IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRIC). The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the annual report for the year ended December 31, 2014, and should be read in conjunction with that annual report.

There is no significant difference between IFRS effective as per December 31, 2015 and IFRS as endorsed by the EU.

Discount rate applied for pension liability calculation in Sweden

The Company has in periods up to the second quarter of 2015 estimated the discount rate for the Swedish pension liability based on the interest rates for Swedish covered bonds. Due to the development since then of the deepness of the Swedish covered bond market and the volatility in interest rates, the Company has decided to apply Swedish government bonds rate for this discounting. The discount rate used for this interim report and fiscal year is 2.1% (December 31st, 2015).

NET SALES BY SEGMENT BY QUARTER

		2015	i			201	4	
Isolated quarters, SEK million	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Networks	37,304	28,817	31,163	26,436	34,110	30,030	28,964	24,383
Global Services	30,670	27,055	26,392	23,901	29,777	24,467	23,059	20,356
Of which Professional Services	23,072	20,545	20,001	18,131	21,405	17,794	16,554	15,078
Of which Managed Services	8,214	7,976	8,150	7,501	7,741	7,175	6,485	5,754
Of which Network Rollout	7,598	6,510	6,391	5,770	8,372	6,673	6,505	5,278
Support Solutions	5,594	3,289	3,092	3,074	4,009	3,057	2,824	2,765
Modems	_	_	24	109	90	89	2	1
Total	73,568	59,161	60,671	53,520	67,986	57,643	54,849	47,505
		2015	<u> </u>			201	4	
Sequential change, percent	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Networks	29%	-8%	18%	-22%	14%	4%	19%	-30%
Global Services	13%	3%	10%	-20%	22%	6%	13%	-25%
Of which Professional Services	12%	3%	10%	-15%	20%	7%	10%	-20%
Of which Managed Services	3%	-2%	9%	-3%	8%	11%	13%	-12%
Of which Network Rollout	17%	2%	11%	-31%	25%	3%	23%	-37%
Support Solutions	70%	6%	1%	-23%	31%	8%	2%	-46%
Modems	_	_	_	_		_	_	
Total	24%	-2%	13%	-21%	18%	5%	15%	-29%
		2015	;			201	4	
Year over year change, percent	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Networks	9%	-4%	8%	8%	-2%	13%	3%	-13%
Global Services	3%	11%	14%	17%	10%	2%	-7%	-5%
Of which Professional Services	8%	15%	21%	20%	14%	10%	-1%	3%
Of which Managed Services	6%	11%	26%	30%	18%	15%	-4%	-2%
Of which Network Rollout	-9%	-2%	-2%	9%	0%	-14%	-19%	-23%
Support Solutions	40%	8%	9%	11%	-21%	30%	21%	13%
Modems	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total	8%	3%	11%	13%	1%	9%	-1%	-9%
		2015	<u> </u>			201	4	
Year to date, SEK million	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar
Networks	123,720	86,416	57,599	26,436	117,487	83,377	53,347	24,383
Global Services	108,018	77,348	50,293	23,901	97,659	67,882	43,415	20,356
Of which Professional Services	81,749	58,677	38,132	18,131	70,831	49,426	31,632	15,078
Of which Managed Services	31,841	23,627	15,651	7,501	27,155	19,414	12,239	5,754
Of which Network Rollout	26,269	18,671	12,161	5,770	26,828	18,456	11,783	5,278
Support Solutions	15,049	9,455	6,166	3,074	12,655	8,646	5,589	2,765
Modems	133	133	133	109	182	92	3,309	2,703
Total	246,920	173,352	114,191	53,520	227,983	159,997	102,354	47,505
Year to date, year over year change, percer	nt Jan-Dec	2015 Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	4 Jan–Jun	Jan-Mar
		•						
Networks	5%	4%	8%	8%	0%	1%	-5%	-13%
Global Services	11%	14%	16%	17%	0%	-3%	-6%	-5%
Of which Professional Services	15%	19%	21%	20%	7%	4%	1%	3%
Of which Managed Services	17%	22%	28%	30%	7%	3%	-3%	-2%
Of which Network Rollout	-2%	1%	3%	9%	-14%	-19%	-21%	-23%
Support Solutions	19%	9%	10%	11%	3%	21%	17%	13%
Modems	-							
Total	8%	8%	12%	13%	0%	0%	-5%	-9%

SALES GROWTH ADJUSTED FOR COMPARABLE UNITS AND CURRENCY

		2015	5			2014	1	
Sequential change, percent	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Networks	30%	-6%	16%	-28%	7%	-2%	16%	-30%
Global Services	17%	2%	10%	-26%	20%	5%	11%	-25%
Support Solutions	70%	7%	-3%	-31%	25%	6%	1%	-45%
Modems	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total	26%	-2%	12%	-28%	13%	2%	13%	-28%
Isolated quarter, year over year change,		2015	5					
percent	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4 1)	Q3	Q2	Q1
Networks	0%	-15%	-9%	-9%	-7%	7%	5%	-10%
Global Services	-4%	-2%	-2%	-2%	5%	-2%	-8%	-3%
Support Solutions	22%	-8%	-13%	-11%	-5%	10%	5%	4%
Modems	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total	-1%	-9%	-6%	-6%	-2%	3%	-1%	-7%
Year to date, year over year change,		2015	5			2014	1	
percent	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	Jan-Dec 1)	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar
Networks	-8%	-11%	-9%	-9%	-3%	0%	-3%	-10%
Global Services	-2%	-2%	-2%	-2%	-2%	-4%	-5%	-3%
Support Solutions	0%	-10%	-12%	-11%	-2%	7%	4%	4%
Modems	_	_	_	_	_	-	_	-
Total	_5%	_7%	_6%	_6%	_2%	_2%	_10/2	_7%

 $^{^{1)}\}mbox{Partly}$ adjusted for the initial IPR payment from Samsung in Q4 2013.

OPERATING INCOME BY SEGMENT BY QUARTER

		2015				2014			
Isolated quarters, SEK million	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Networks	7,154	2,764	2,435	590	4,319	3,175	3,574	2,476	
Global Services	2,530	2,364	1,640	1,681	1,937	1,607	1,487	1,036	
Of which Professional Services	2,712	2,386	2,403	2,109	2,472	2,059	2,095	1,893	
Of which Network Rollout	-182	-22	-763	-428	-535	-452	-608	-857	
Support Solutions	1,668	-6	-240	82	443	-108	-378	12	
Modems	1	-1	7	0	-85	-739	-456	-745	
Unallocated 1)	-318	-44	-282	-220	-312	-59	-228	-149	
Total	11,035	5,077	3,560	2,133	6,302	3,876	3,999	2,630	

		2015	5			2014	1	
Year to date, SEK million	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar
Networks	12,943	5,789	3,025	590	13,544	9,225	6,050	2,476
Global Services	8,215	5,685	3,321	1,681	6,067	4,130	2,523	1,036
Of which Professional Services	9,610	6,898	4,512	2,109	8,519	6,047	3,988	1,893
Of which Network Rollout	-1,395	-1,213	-1,191	-428	-2,452	-1,917	-1,465	-857
Support Solutions	1,504	-164	-158	82	-31	-474	-366	12
Modems	7	6	7	0	-2,025	-1,940	-1,201	-745
Unallocated 1)	-864	-546	-502	-220	-748	-436	-377	-149
Total	21,805	10,770	5,693	2,133	16,807	10,505	6,629	2,630

^{1) &}quot;Unallocated" consists mainly of costs for corporate staff, non-operational capital gains and losses.

OPERATING MARGIN BY SEGMENT BY QUARTER

As percentage of net sales,		2015				2014			
isolated quarters	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Networks	19%	10%	8%	2%	13%	11%	12%	10%	
Global Services	8%	9%	6%	7%	7%	7%	6%	5%	
Of which Professional Services	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	13%	13%	
Of which Network Rollout	-2%	0%	-12%	-7%	-6%	-7%	-9%	-16%	
Support Solutions	30%	0%	-8%	3%	11%	-4%	-13%	0%	
Modems	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Total	15%	9%	6%	4%	9%	7%	7%	6%	

		2015				2014	1	
As percentage of net sales, year to date	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar
Networks	10%	7%	5%	2%	12%	11%	11%	10%
Global Services	8%	7%	7%	7%	6%	6%	6%	5%
Of which Professional Services	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	12%	13%	13%
Of which Network Rollout	-5%	-6%	-10%	-7%	-9%	-10%	-12%	-16%
Support Solutions	10%	-2%	-3%	3%	0%	-5%	-7%	0%
Modems	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total	9%	6%	5%	4%	7%	7%	6%	6%

EBITA BY SEGMENT BY QUARTER

		2015				2014		
Isolated quarters, SEK million	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Networks	7,668	3,233	3,014	1,218	4,914	3,773	4,156	3,052
Global Services	2,770	2,604	1,918	1,952	2,259	1,857	1,731	1,257
Of which Professional Services	2,915	2,605	2,635	2,344	2,711	2,254	2,289	2,073
Of which Network Rollout	-145	-1	-717	-392	-452	-397	-558	-816
Support Solutions	1,892	226	-4	308	647	95	-196	192
Modems	1	-1	7	0	-44	-698	-416	-699
Unallocated 1)	-317	-44	-281	-220	-312	-59	-226	-149
Total	12,014	6,018	4,654	3,258	7,464	4,968	5,049	3,653

		2015	5			2014	1	
Year to date, SEK million	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar
Networks	15,133	7,465	4,232	1,218	15,895	10,981	7,208	3,052
Global Services	9,244	6,474	3,870	1,952	7,104	4,845	2,988	1,257
Of which Professional Services	10,499	7,584	4,979	2,344	9,327	6,616	4,362	2,073
Of which Network Rollout	-1,255	-1,110	-1,109	-392	-2,223	-1,771	-1,374	-816
Support Solutions	2,422	530	304	308	738	91	-4	192
Modems	7	6	7	0	-1,857	-1,813	-1,115	-699
Unallocated 1)	-862	-545	-501	-220	-746	-434	-375	-149
Total	25,944	13,930	7,912	3,258	21,134	13,670	8,702	3,653

^{1) &}quot;Unallocated" consists mainly of costs for corporate staff, non-operational capital gains and losses.

EBITA MARGIN BY SEGMENT BY QUARTER

As percentage of net sales,		2015			2014				
isolated quarters	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Networks	21%	11%	10%	5%	14%	13%	14%	13%	
Global Services	9%	10%	7%	8%	8%	8%	8%	6%	
Of which Professional Services	13%	13%	13%	13%	13%	13%	14%	14%	
Of which Network Rollout	-2%	0%	-11%	-7%	-5%	-6%	-9%	-15%	
Support Solutions	34%	7%	0%	10%	16%	3%	-7%	7%	
Modems	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Total	16%	10%	8%	6%	11%	9%	9%	8%	

As percentage of net sales,		2015				2014	4	
year to date	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar
Networks	12%	9%	7%	5%	14%	13%	14%	13%
Global Services	9%	8%	8%	8%	7%	7%	7%	6%
Of which Professional Services	13%	13%	13%	13%	13%	13%	14%	14%
Of which Network Rollout	-5%	-6%	-9%	-7%	-8%	-10%	-12%	-15%
Support Solutions	16%	6%	5%	10%	6%	1%	0%	7%
Modems	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total	11%	8%	7%	6%	9%	9%	9%	8%

NET SALES BY REGION BY QUARTER

		2015				2014		
Isolated quarters, SEK million	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
North America	17,082	14,355	14,578	12,246	13,082	14,033	15,179	12,215
Latin America	6,106	5,610	5,067	4,574	6,564	5,882	5,414	4,710
Northern Europe & Central Asia 1) 2)	2,847	2,520	2,556	2,726	4,069	3,151	2,717	2,436
Western & Central Europe 2)	5,320	4,540	5,131	4,741	6,097	4,646	4,582	4,381
Mediterranean ²⁾	6,971	5,470	5,887	4,982	7,513	5,218	5,487	4,785
Middle East	6,089	5,728	6,515	4,517	6,865	6,039	4,514	3,859
Sub Saharan Africa	2,847	2,691	2,653	2,158	2,603	2,447	1,886	1,813
India	3,172	3,629	3,049	3,531	2,362	2,000	1,645	1,695
North East Asia	8,916	6,348	6,943	6,030	9,225	7,033	6,406	4,908
South East Asia & Oceania	5,329	4,750	4,897	4,259	4,956	3,794	3,662	3,446
Other 1) 2)	8,889	3,520	3,395	3,756	4,650	3,400	3,357	3,257
Total	73,568	59,161	60,671	53,520	67,986	57,643	54,849	47,505
1) Of which in Sweden	972	1,135	598	1,091	1,047	1,090	1,008	999
²⁾ Of which in EU	12,644	10,584	11,453	10,904	14,325	10,736	10,320	9,720
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		2015				2014		
Sequential change, percent	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
North America	19%	-2%	19%	-6%	-7%	-8%	24%	-11%
Latin America	9%	11%	11%	-30%	12%	9%	15%	-30%
Northern Europe & Central Asia 1)2)	13%	-1%	-6%	-33%	29%	16%	12%	-34%
Western & Central Europe 2)	17%	-12%	8%	-22%	31%	1%	5%	-16%
Mediterranean ²⁾	27%	-7%	18%	-34%	44%	-5%	15%	-32%
Middle East	6%	-12%	44%	-34%	14%	34%	17%	-35%
Sub Saharan Africa	6%	1%	23%	-17%	6%	30%	4%	-30%
India	-13%	19%	-14%	49%	18%	22%	-3%	-14%
North East Asia	40%	-9%	15%	-35%	31%	10%	31%	-43%
South East Asia & Oceania	12%	-3%	15%	-14%	31%	4%	6%	-20%
Other 1)2)	153%	4%	-10%	-19%	37%	1%	3%	-55%
Total	24%	-2%	13%	-21%	18%	5%	15%	-29%
1) Of which in Sweden	-14%	90%	-45%	4%	-4%	8%	1%	-25%
²⁾ Of which in EU	19%	-8%	5%	-24%	33%	4%	6%	-24%
Year-over-year change, percent	Q4	2015 Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	2014 Q3	Q2	Q1
real-over-year change, percent	Q+	Q0	- QZ	Q1	Q+	Q0	QZ	Q I
North America	31%	2%	-4%	0%	-5%	-3%	-1%	-23%
Latin America	-7%	-5%	-6%	-3%	-3%	11%	-3%	8%
Northern Europe & Central Asia 1) 2)	-30%	-20%	-6%	12%	11%	7%	0%	7%
Western & Central Europe 2)	-13%	-2%	12%	8%	17%	6%	1%	1%
Mediterranean ²⁾	-7%	5%	7%	4%	6%	-8%	-11%	-9%
Middle East	-11%	-5%	44%	17%	16%	38%	13%	22%
Sub Saharan Africa	9%	10%	41%	19%	1%	-9%	-29%	-15%
India	34%	81%	85%	108%	20%	56%	29%	6%
North East Asia	-3%	-10%	8%	23%	7%	16%	-4%	-19%
South East Asia & Oceania	8%	25%	34%	24%	16%	5%	-3%	-17%
Other 1)2)	91%	4%	1%	15%	-35%	55%	23%	12%
Total	8%	3%	11%	13%	1%	9%	-1%	-9%
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1) Of which in Sweden	-7%	4%	-41%	9%	-21%	37%	-21%	-2%

NET SALES BY REGION BY QUARTER, CONT.

		2015				2014	4	
Year to date, SEK million	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar
North America	58,261	41,179	26,824	12,246	54,509	41,427	27,394	12,215
Latin America	21,357	15,251	9,641	4,574	22,570	16,006	10,124	4,710
Northern Europe & Central Asia 1) 2)	10,649	7,802	5,282	2,726	12,373	8,304	5,153	2,436
Western & Central Europe 2)	19,732	14,412	9,872	4,741	19,706	13,609	8,963	4,381
Mediterranean 2)	23,310	16,339	10,869	4,982	23,003	15,490	10,272	4,785
Middle East	22,849	16,760	11,032	4,517	21,277	14,412	8,373	3,859
Sub Saharan Africa	10,349	7,502	4,811	2,158	8,749	6,146	3,699	1,813
India	13,381	10,209	6,580	3,531	7,702	5,340	3,340	1,695
North East Asia	28,237	19,321	12,973	6,030	27,572	18,347	11,314	4,908
South East Asia & Oceania	19,235	13,906	9,156	4,259	15,858	10,902	7,108	3,446
Other 1)2)	19,560	10,671	7,151	3,756	14,664	10,014	6,614	3,257
Total	246,920	173,352	114,191	53,520	227,983	159,997	102,354	47,505
1) Of which in Sweden	3,796	2,824	1,689	1,091	4,144	3,097	2,007	999
²⁾ Of which in EU	45,585	32,941	22,357	10,904	45,101	30,776	20,040	9,720

Year to date, year-over-year change,		2015	5			2014	4	
percent	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar
North America	7%	-1%	-2%	0%	-8%	-9%	-12%	-23%
Latin America	-5%	-5%	-5%	-3%	3%	5%	2%	8%
Northern Europe & Central Asia 1) 2)	-14%	-6%	3%	12%	6%	5%	3%	7%
Western & Central Europe 2)	0%	6%	10%	8%	7%	3%	1%	1%
Mediterranean 2)	1%	5%	6%	4%	-5%	-9%	-10%	-9%
Middle East	7%	16%	32%	17%	22%	25%	17%	22%
Sub Saharan Africa	18%	22%	30%	19%	-13%	-18%	-23%	-15%
India	74%	91%	97%	108%	25%	28%	16%	6%
North East Asia	2%	5%	15%	23%	1%	-2%	-11%	-19%
South East Asia & Oceania	21%	28%	29%	24%	0%	-5%	-10%	-17%
Other 1)2)	33%	7%	8%	15%	-2%	28%	18%	12%
Total	8%	8%	12%	13%	0%	0%	-5%	-9%
1) Of which in Sweden	-8%	-9%	-16%	9%	-6%	0%	-13%	-2%
²⁾ Of which in EU	1%	7%	12%	12%	4%	0%	-3%	-1%

TOP 5 COUNTRIES IN SALES

		Q4	Jan-	-Dec
Country	2015	2014	2015	2014
United States	31%	20%	26%	24%
China	8%	7%	8%	6%
India	4%	4%	5%	4%
Italy	3%	4%	3%	3%
United Kingdom	3%	3%	3%	3%

NET SALES BY REGION BY SEGMENT

			Q4 2015				J	an-Dec 2015	i	
SEK milion	Networks	Global Services	Support Solutions	Modems	Total	Networks	Global Services	Support Solutions	Modems	Total
North America	7,958	7,588	1,536	_	17,082	26,200	27,898	4,163	_	58,261
Latin America	2,857	2,986	263	-	6,106	9,763	10,742	852	-	21,357
Northern Europe & Central Asia	1,426	1,324	97	_	2,847	6,203	4,118	328	_	10,649
Western & Central Europe	1,837	3,236	247	_	5,320	6,754	12,233	745	-	19,732
Mediterranean	2,674	4,043	254	_	6,971	9,151	13,408	751	_	23,310
Middle East	2,746	3,010	333	_	6,089	11,873	9,741	1,235	_	22,849
Sub Saharan Africa	1,576	1,138	133	_	2,847	4,793	4,902	654	_	10,349
India	1,718	1,320	134	_	3,172	8,083	4,570	728	_	13,381
North East Asia	5,815	2,863	238	_	8,916	18,714	8,838	685	-	28,237
South East Asia & Oceania	2,640	2,430	259	_	5,329	10,001	8,693	541	-	19,235
Other	6,057	732	2,100	_	8,889	12,185	2,875	4,367	133	19,560
Total	37,304	30,670	5,594	_	73,568	123,720	108,018	15,049	133	246,920
Share of Total	51%	42%	7%	-	100%	50%	44%	6%	-	100%

			Q4 2015		
Sequential change, percent	Networks	Global Services	Support Solutions	Modems	Total
North America	24%	9%	56%	_	19%
Latin America	14%	3%	38%	-	9%
Northern Europe & Central Asia	0%	31%	8%	-	13%
Western & Central Europe	33%	9%	34%	-	17%
Mediterranean	24%	28%	61%	-	27%
Middle East	2%	14%	-16%	_	6%
Sub Saharan Africa	29%	-15%	4%	-	6%
India	-29%	22%	20%	-	-13%
North East Asia	40%	42%	23%	-	40%
South East Asia & Oceania	9%	9%	156%	-	12%
Other	200%	-2%	180%	-	153%
Total	29%	13%	70%	-	24%

			Q4 2015		
Year over year change, percent	Networks	Global Services	Support Solutions	Modems	Total
North America	60%	6%	57%	_	31%
Latin America	-3%	-10%	-14%	_	-7%
Northern Europe & Central Asia	-47%	4%	-6%	_	-30%
Western & Central Europe	-31%	0%	41%	_	-13%
Mediterranean	-13%	-3%	-3%	_	-7%
Middle East	-23%	7%	-35%	_	-11%
Sub Saharan Africa	43%	-17%	-5%	_	9%
India	43%	34%	-24%	_	34%
North East Asia	-10%	11%	31%	_	-3%
South East Asia & Oceania	0%	16%	26%	_	8%
Other	118%	-10%	117%	_	91%
Total	9%	3%	40%	_	8%

		J	an-Dec 2015	j	
Year over year change, percent	Networks	Global Services	Support Solutions	Modems	Total
North America	1%	12%	20%	_	7%
Latin America	-9%	-1%	-17%	-	-5%
Northern Europe & Central Asia	-22%	0%	16%	_	-14%
Western & Central Europe	-16%	11%	21%	_	0%
Mediterranean	-5%	6%	-8%	_	1%
Middle East	2%	15%	3%	_	7%
Sub Saharan Africa	22%	15%	18%	_	18%
India	98%	46%	50%	_	74%
North East Asia	4%	-1%	4%	_	2%
South East Asia & Oceania	19%	24%	10%	_	21%
Other	34%	25%	43%	_	33%
Total	5%	11%	19%	_	8%

PROVISIONS

		2015			2014			
Isolated quarters, SEK million	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Opening balance	4,331	5,354	4,056	4,427	4,567	4,579	4,928	5,362
Additions	589	695	2,777	915	996	675	430	625
Utilization/Cash out	-1,096	-1,545	-1,217	-1,204	-794	-648	-642	-977
Of which restructuring	-754	-1,103	-472	-437	-213	-231	-246	-512
Reversal of excess amounts	87	-168	-161	-236	-420	-132	-298	-88
Reclassification, translation difference and other	-73	-5	-101	154	78	93	161	6
Closing balance	3,838	4,331	5,354	4,056	4,427	4,567	4,579	4,928

		2015	i			2014			
Year to date, SEK million	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	
Opening balance	4,427	4,427	4,427	4,427	5,362	5,362	5,362	5,362	
Additions	4,976	4,387	3,692	915	2,726	1,730	1,055	625	
Utilization/Cash out	-5,062	-3,966	-2,421	-1,204	-3,061	-2,267	-1,619	-977	
Of which restructuring	-2,766	-2,012	-909	-437	-1,202	-989	-758	-512	
Reversal of excess amounts	-478	-565	-397	-236	-938	-518	-386	-88	
Reclassification, translation difference and other	-25	48	53	154	338	260	167	6	
Closing balance	3,838	4,331	5,354	4,056	4,427	4,567	4,579	4,928	

INFORMATION ON INVESTMENTS

Investments in assets subject to depreciation, amortization, impairment and write-downs

		2015				2014		
Isolated quarters, SEK million	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Additions								
Property, plant and equipment	1,739	1,807	2,424	2,367	1,553	1,415	1,320	1,034
Capitalized development expenses 1)	1,183	982	843	294	986	155	185	197
IPR, brands and other intangible assets	23	10	26	11	1,014	935	621	77
Total	2,945	2,799	3,293	2,672	3,553	2,505	2,126	1,308
Depreciation, amortization and impairment losses								
Property, plant and equipment	1,194	1,129	1,152	1,214	1,187	1,078	1,048	1,004
Capitalized development expenses	349	354	333	342	342	311	315	333
IPR, brands and other intangible assets, etc.	978	942	1,094	1,125	1,161	1,092	1,051	1,023
Total	2,521	2,425	2,579	2,681	2,690	2,481	2,414	2,360

¹⁾ Including reclassification

RECONCILIATION TABLE, NON-IFRS MEASUREMENTS – CASH CONVERSION

		2015				2014			
Isolated quarters, SEK million	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Net income	6,978	3,118	2,123	1,454	4,165	2,624	2,662	1,692	
Net income reconciled to cash	10,953	6,782	3,413	3,136	8,270	4,974	5,862	3,237	
Cash flow from operating activities	21,859	1,560	3,078	-5,900	8,596	-1,350	2,054	9,402	
Cash conversion	199.6%	23.0%	90.2%	-188.1%	103.9%	-27.1%	35.0%	290.5%	

NET CASH - END OF PERIOD

SEK million	Dec 31 2015	Sep 30 2015	Jun 30 2015	Mar 31 2015	Dec 31 2014
Cash and cash equivalents	40,224	33,950	32,962	35,311	40,988
+ Short term investments	26,046	17,597	20,807	30,776	31,171
- Borrowings, non-current	22,744	22,900	22,551	23,496	21,864
- Borrowings, current	2,376	2,885	3,199	2,847	2,281
- Post employment benefits	22,664	26,011	24,530	24,163	20,385
Net cash, end of period	18,486	-249	3,489	15,581	27,629

OTHER INFORMATION

	Oct-E	Dec	Jan-Dec		
SEK million	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Number of shares and earnings per share					
Number of shares, end of period (million)	3,305	3,305	3,305	3,305	
Of which class A-shares (million)	262	262	262	262	
Of which class B-shares (million)	3,043	3,043	3,043	3,043	
Number of treasury shares, end of period (million)	49	63	49	63	
Number of shares outstanding, basic, end of period (million)	3,256	3,242	3,256	3,242	
Numbers of shares outstanding, diluted, end of period (million)	3,289	3,275	3,289	3,275	
Average number of treasury shares (million)	51	64	56	68	
Average number of shares outstanding, basic (million)	3,254	3,241	3,249	3,237	
Average number of shares outstanding, diluted (million) 1)	3,288	3,274	3,282	3,270	
Earnings per share, basic (SEK)	2.17	1.30	4.17	3.57	
Earnings per share, diluted (SEK) 1)	2.15	1.29	4.13	3.54	
Earnings per share (Non–IFRS), diluted (SEK) ²⁾	2.35	1.54	4.99	4.49	
Earnings per share (Non-IFRS, excluding restructuring), diluted (SEK) 2)	2.50	1.71	6.06	4.80	
Ratios					
Days sales outstanding	-	_	87	105	
Inventory turnover days	59	60	64	64	
Payable days	43	49	53	56	
Equity ratio (%)	-	_	51.8%	49.5%	
Return on equity (%)	19.9%	11.8%	9.3%	8.1%	
Return on capital employed (%)	22.7%	14.0%	11.6%	9.8%	
Capital turnover (times)	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.2	
Cash conversion %	199.6%	103.9%	84.8%	83.7%	
Exchange rates used in the consolidation ³⁾					
SEK/EUR- closing rate	_	_	9.17	9.47	
SEK/USD- closing rate	_		8.40	7.79	
Other					
Regional inventory, end of period	15,453	17,142	15,453	17,142	
Export sales from Sweden	34,601	34,628	117,486	113,734	

 $^{^{1)} \ \ \}text{Potential ordinary shares are not considered when their conversion to ordinary shares would increase earnings per share.}$

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

		2015	i			2014	1	
End of period	Dec 31	Sep 30	Jun 30	Mar 31	Dec 31	Sep 30	Jun 30	Mar 31
North America	14,548	14,669	14,975	15,156	15,516	15,554	15,306	14,902
Latin America	10,412	10,754	10,823	10,970	11,066	10,901	11,179	9,731
Northern Europe & Central Asia 1)	20,700	20,953	21,441	21,556	21,633	21,691	21,476	21,484
Western & Central Europe	12,220	12,042	12,400	12,575	12,617	12,606	12,624	11,455
Mediterranean	12,702	12,748	12,925	13,363	13,387	13,306	12,475	12,253
Middle East	3,639	3,634	3,717	3,813	3,858	3,831	3,736	3,749
Sub Saharan Africa	2,301	2,306	2,389	2,442	2,406	2,288	2,284	2,094
India	21,999	21,343	21,353	21,215	19,971	19,413	18,495	17,991
North East Asia	13,706	13,782	13,104	13,488	13,464	13,653	13,448	13,490
South East Asia & Oceania	4,054	4,009	4,056	4,128	4,137	4,265	4,359	4,234
Total	116,281	116,240	117,183	118,706	118,055	117,508	115,382	111,383
1) Of which in Sweden	17,041	17,242	17,560	17,569	17,580	17,655	17,497	17,545

²⁾ Excluding amortizations and write—downs of acquired intangibles.

³⁾ Translation method changed from 2015. Monthly rates used to translate transactions are available on www.ericsson.com/thecompany/investors

RESTRUCTURING CHARGES BY FUNCTION

	2015				2014			
Isolated quarters, SEK million	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Cost of sales	-282	-351	-1,157	-484	-663	-168	-116	-82
Research and development expenses	-305	-547	-1,118	-51	-113	-92	-80	-19
Selling and administrative expenses	-117	-80	-469	-79	-28	-19	-47	-29
Total	-704	-978	-2,744	-614	-804	-279	-243	-130

	2015				2014			
Year to date, SEK million	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar
Cost of sales	-2,274	-1,992	-1,641	-484	-1,029	-366	-198	-82
Research and development expenses	-2,021	-1,716	-1,169	-51	-304	-191	-99	-19
Selling and administrative expenses	-745	-628	-548	-79	-123	-95	-76	-29
Total	-5,040	-4,336	-3,358	-614	-1,456	-652	-373	-130

RESTRUCTURING CHARGES BY SEGMENT

Isolated quarters, SEK million		2015				2014			
	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Networks	-259	-565	-1,842	-173	-142	-80	-128	-93	
Global Services	-213	-358	-691	-419	-600	-122	-81	-32	
Of which Professional Services	-60	-316	-175	-140	-435	-85	-63	-25	
Of which Network Rollout	-153	-42	-516	-279	-165	-37	-18	-7	
Support Solutions	-230	-37	-194	-19	-30	-77	-34	-5	
Modems	1	-1	-12	-3	-32	_	_	_	
Unallocated	-3	-17	-5	_	_	_	_	_	
Total	-704	-978	-2,744	-614	-804	-279	-243	-130	

	2015				2014			
Year to date, SEK million	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar	Jan-Dec	Jan-Sep	Jan-Jun	Jan-Mar
Networks	-2,839	-2,580	-2,015	-173	-443	-301	-221	-93
Global Services	-1,681	-1,468	-1,110	-419	-835	-235	-113	-32
Of which Professional Services	-691	-631	-315	-140	-608	-173	-88	-25
Of which Network Rollout	-990	-837	-795	-279	-227	-62	-25	-7
Support Solutions	-480	-250	-213	-19	-146	-116	-39	-5
Modems	-15	-16	-15	-3	-32	_	_	_
Unallocated	– 25	-22	-5	_	_	_	_	_
Total	-5,040	-4,336	-3,358	-614	-1,456	-652	-373	-130