

6 Operating expenses – continued	Group		Company	
	2017	Restated 2016	2017	Restated 2016
The estimated useful lives assigned to groups of property, plant and equipment are: - continued	Years		Years	
Data processing equipment and software	1 to 10	1 to 10	5 to 10	5 to 10
Telkom support services equipment	1 to 20	1 to 20	1 to 20	2 to 20
The expected useful lives assigned to intangible assets are:				
Software and licences	2 to 11	2 to 11	5 to 10	5 to 10
Trademarks, copyrights and other	3 to 13	3 to 13	4 to 13	4 to 13

As a result of the transformation programme, the group reassessed the useful lives of certain technologies to address the challenges within the competitive market and IP-based products and services. The reassessment of useful lives had the effect of increasing the depreciation and amortisation expense for the year ended 31 March 2017 by R325 million (2016: R192 million). Depreciation and amortisation for each year of the remaining useful lives of the individually reassessed equipment will be significantly lower.

7 Investment income	Group		Company	
	2017 Rm	2016 Rm	2017 Rm	2016 Rm
Interest income	219	203	522	812
Dividend income from subsidiaries	219	203	370	180
	–	–	152	632

The company's interest income increased as a result of an increase in interest received from subsidiaries.

Interest income relates to interest earned from financial assets not measured at fair value through profit or loss. Interest is recognised on a time proportionate basis taking into account the principal amount outstanding and the effective interest rate.

Dividends from investments are recognised on the date that the group is entitled to the dividend.

The decrease in dividend income is due to the non-declaration of dividend by Acajou Investments (Pty) Ltd to Telkom company in the current financial year.

8 Finance charges and fair value movements	Group		Company	
	2017 Rm	2016 Rm	2017 Rm	2016 Rm
Finance charges on interest bearing debt*	888	622	801	618
Local debt	618	521	558	489
Less: Finance charges capitalised**	771	624	711	592
Foreign exchange and fair value movements	(153)	(103)	(153)	(103)
Foreign exchange (gains)/losses	270	101	243	129
Fair value adjustments	(145)	428	(169)	457
Capitalisation rate for borrowing costs (%)	415	(327)	412	(328)
	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5

Finance charges relate to interest expense on financial liabilities not measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The increase in foreign exchange and fair value movements was mainly as a result of hedges taken in a volatile economic environment partly offset by a higher fair value gain on revaluation of the underlying assets held by the cell captive.

* For interest bearing debt movement, refer to note 26.

** Finance charges on qualifying assets are capitalised to property, plant and equipment and intangible assets.