

Movements in other reserves for the Bank during the year are as follows:

In \$ millions	Available-for-sale revaluation reserves	General reserves ^(a)	Share plan reserves	Total
Balance at 1 January 2009	(255)	2,360	–	2,105
Available-for-sale:				
– net valuation taken to equity	774	–	–	774
– transferred to income statement on sale	(323)	–	–	(323)
– tax on items taken directly to or transferred from equity	(71)	–	–	(71)
Balance at 31 December 2009	125	2,360	–	2,485
Balance at 1 January 2008	929	2,360	25	3,314
Transfer of share plan reserves to holding company	–	–	(25)	(25)
Available-for-sale:				
– net valuation taken to equity	(1,130)	–	–	(1,130)
– transferred to income statement due to impairment	16	–	–	16
– transferred to income statement on sale	(312)	–	–	(312)
– tax on items taken directly to or transferred from equity	242	–	–	242
Balance at 31 December 2008	(255)	2,360	–	2,105

(a) The General reserves are maintained in accordance with the provisions of applicable laws and regulations. These reserves are non distributable unless otherwise approved by the relevant authorities. Under the Banking (Reserve Fund) (Transitional Provision) regulations 2007, which came into effect on 11 June 2007, the Bank may distribute or utilise its statutory reserves provided that the amount distributed or utilised for each financial year does not exceed 20% of the reserves as at 30 March 2007

6.2 Revenue reserves

In \$ millions	2009	2008
Balance at 1 January	5,599	4,984
Net profit attributable to shareholders	1,769	1,938
Amount available for distribution	7,368	6,922
Less: Nil (2008: \$0.16) tax exempt ordinary final dividends	–	304
Nil (2008: \$0.49) tax exempt ordinary interim dividends	–	953
6% tax exempt preference dividends (2008: 6% tax exempt)	66	66
Balance at 31 December	7,302	5,599