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("AB InBev" or the "Company")

# Anheuser-Busch InBev Reports Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2021 Results Short Form Announcement

"This year was an important step in our journey to create a future with more cheers. Relentless execution of our strategy drove continued momentum to deliver over 15% top-line growth, EBITDA at the top-end of our outlook and another year of strong cash flow generation." - Michel Doukeris, CEO

# **KEY FIGURES**

- **Revenue:** Increased by 12.1% in 4Q21 with revenue per hl growth of 8.1% and by 15.6% in FY21 with revenue per hl growth of 5.5%.
- **Volume:** In 4Q21, total volumes grew by 3.6%, with own beer volumes up by 3.4% and non-beer volumes up by 3.8%. In FY21, total volumes grew by 9.6% with own beer volumes up by 9.7% and non-beer volumes up by 8.7%.
- **Global Brands:** 23.5% increase in combined revenues of our global brands, Budweiser, Stella Artois and Corona, outside of their respective home markets in 4Q21, and 22.9% in FY21.
- EBITDA: In 4Q21 normalized EBITDA of 4 882 million USD represents an increase of 5.0% with normalized EBITDA margin contraction of 231 bps to 34.4%. In FY21, normalized EBITDA increased by 11.8% to 19 209 million USD and normalized EBITDA margin contracted by 118 bps to 35.4%. Normalized EBITDA figures include an impact of 226 million USD from tax credits in Brazil.
- Profit: Underlying profit (normalized profit attributable to equity holders of AB InBev excluding mark-to-market gains and losses linked to the hedging of our share-based payment programs and the impact of hyperinflation) was 1 484 million USD in 4Q21 compared to 1 616 million USD in 4Q20 and was 5 774 million USD in FY21 compared to 5 022 million USD in FY20. Normalized profit attributable to equity holders of AB InBev was 1 797 million USD in 4Q21 versus 2 154 million USD in 4Q20 and 5 723 million USD in FY21 versus 3 807 million USD in FY20. Both normalized and underlying profit and EPS in 4Q20 were positively impacted by 325 million USD after tax and non-controlling interest related to tax credits in Brazil.

**Earnings per share (EPS):** Underlying EPS was 0.74 USD in 4Q21, a decrease from 0.81 USD in 4Q20 and was 2.88 USD in FY21, an increase from 2.51 USD in FY20. Normalized EPS in 4Q21 was 0.90 USD, a decrease from 1.08 USD in 4Q20. Normalized EPS in FY21 was 2.85 USD, an increase from 1.91 USD in FY20.

- **Dividend:** The AB InBev Board proposes a full year 2021 dividend of 0.50 EUR per share, subject to shareholder approval at the AGM on 27 April 2022. A timeline showing the ex-coupon, record and payment dates can be found on page 16 of the full results announcement.
- **Deleveraging:** Net debt to normalized EBITDA ratio was 3.96x at 31 December 2021 compared to 4.78x at 31 December 2020 with a gross debt reduction of 9.8 billion USD in FY21.

2021 Full Year Financial Report and 2021 ESG Report are available on our website at www.ab-inbev.com.



# **HEADLINE EARNINGS PER SHARE**

Due to the secondary listing of the ordinary shares of AB InBev on the main board of the JSE Limited (JSE) in South Africa, the Group is required to present headline earnings per share and diluted headline earnings per share, as alternative measures of earnings per share, calculated in accordance with the circular entitled 'Headline Earnings' issued by the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants, as amended from time to time.

The calculation of headline earnings per share is based on the headline earnings and a weighted average number of ordinary and restricted shares outstanding (including deferred share instruments and stock lending) per end of the period, calculated as follows:

	FY21		FY20	
		Net of		Net of
		taxes		taxes
		& non-		& non-
	Gross	controlling	Gross	controlling
Million US dollar	amount	interests	amount	interests
Profit attributable to equity holders of AB InBev	ı	4 670	ı	1 405
After tax impairment of goodwill, PP&E and intangible assets	383	273	2 811	1 800
After tax net (gain)/loss on disposal of PP&E, intangible and other	(58)	(36)	(1 880)	(1887)
assets				
Headline earnings		4 907		1 318
Weighted average number of ordinary and restricted shares		2 007		1 998
(million)				
Headline earnings per share (US dollar)		2.44		0.66
Weighted average number of ordinary and restricted shares		2 045		2 037
(diluted) (million)				
Diluted headline earnings per share (US dollar)		2.40		0.65

# DIVIDEND

The board of directors of AB InBev has proposed a full year 2021 dividend of €0.50 per share (the "Dividend"), subject to obtaining approval at the Annual General meeting to be held on Wednesday, 27 April 2022.

The proposed timetable for the Dividend is as follows:

	2022
Dividend declaration announcement released on SENS	Thursday, 24 February
Annual General Meeting of shareholders to approve the Dividend	Wednesday, 27 April*
Currency conversion announcement released on SENS (by 11h00 SA time)	Friday, 29 April
Last day to trade on Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE) to qualify for the Dividend	Tuesday, 3 May
Ex-Dividend on Euronext from commencement of trading on	Tuesday, 3 May
Ex-Dividend on JSE from commencement of trading on	Wednesday, 4 May
Record date (Euronext)	Wednesday, 4 May
Dividend payable (Euronext)	Thursday, 5 May
Record date (JSE)	Friday, 6 May
Dividend payable (JSE)	Monday, 9 May

<sup>\*</sup> Wednesday, 27 April 2022 is a South African public holiday.

### Additional information required by the JSE Listings Requirements

 No transfers of shareholdings to and from South Africa will be permitted between Tuesday, 3 May 2022 and Friday, 6 May 2022 (both dates inclusive). No dematerialisation or rematerialisation orders will be permitted between Wednesday, 4 May 2022 and Friday, 6 May 2022 (both dates inclusive).



- 2. The gross amount of the Dividend will be subject to a Belgian withholding tax of 30%. Such withholding tax may be reduced to 15% in terms of the double tax treaty in force between Belgium and South Africa. A rebate of the additional Belgian withholding tax imposed must be claimed in accordance with the relevant reimbursement process noted below. The Dividend will also be subject to South African dividends tax at the rate of 20% unless a shareholder qualifies for an exemption. Any shareholder who receives a dividend which is subject to South African dividends tax (i.e., where no exemption is available) will qualify for a 15% reduction in dividends tax. The ultimate result in such a case is that a dividend will be subject to a reduced Belgian withholding tax rate of 15% and subject to South African dividends tax at a rate of 5%.
- 3. At Thursday, 24 February 2022, being the declaration announcement date of the Dividend, the Company had a total of 1 979 768 075 shares in issue (excluding treasury shares). The Company held 39 473 898 ordinary shares in treasury giving a total issued share capital of 2 019 241 973 shares (of which 1 737 182 020 ordinary shares are listed and 282 059 953 restricted shares are unlisted).
- 4. The Dividend will be paid out of the Company's operating results for 2022, increased with the profits carried over, without drawing on any capital reserves.
- 5. The Dividend is payable in South African Rand to shareholders whose shares are held through Central Securities Participants and brokers traded on the JSE.

### South African income tax and dividends tax consequences

The Dividend should be regarded as a 'foreign dividend' for South African income tax and South African dividends tax purposes.

Foreign dividends received in respect of shares which are dual listed on the JSE are, however, exempt from income tax. Consequently, no South African income tax should be incurred by the shareholders in respect of the Dividend received.

The Dividend may, however, be subject to South African dividends tax at 20%. There is though, amongst others, an exemption from South African dividends tax if the Dividend is paid to a South African resident corporate shareholder. This exemption operates in a manner similar to other local shares listed on the JSE and the dividends paid in respect thereof to resident corporate shareholders and retirement funds. Intermediaries may only allow an exemption from South African dividends tax, provided shareholders have completed and lodged a valid exemption form, which is obtainable from their intermediary.

# Belgian withholding tax

The gross amount of the Dividend will as a rule be subject to a Belgian withholding tax of 30%. Such withholding tax can under certain circumstances be reduced.

Belgian dividend withholding tax can be reduced to 15% pursuant to the Belgian-South African double tax treaty in force. Such reduced rate can be applied provided that Form N°/NR. 276 Div.-Aut. is filed by the shareholder with the Bureau Central de Taxation de Bruxelles-Etranger, boulevard du Jardin Botanique 50 boîte 3429, 1000 Brussels, Belgium (hereinafter the "Central Bureau of Taxation") before the expiry of a period of five years from January 1st of the year in which the withholding tax was paid, in which case the differential between the standard withholding tax rate of 30% and the reduced treaty rate of 15% will be reimbursed.

An explanatory note is available through this link, or through the Belgian Tax authorities' official website: <a href="https://eservices.minfin.fgov.be/mym-api-rest/finform/pdf/2575">https://eservices.minfin.fgov.be/mym-api-rest/finform/pdf/2575</a>

The current version of Form N°/NR. 276 Div.-Aut. is available through this link, or through the Belgian Tax authorities' official website: <a href="https://eservices.minfin.fgov.be/mvm-api-rest/finform/pdf/2599">https://eservices.minfin.fgov.be/mvm-api-rest/finform/pdf/2599</a>



A Belgian withholding tax exemption is also applicable to dividends paid to South African corporate shareholders that hold a participation of less than 10% in the capital of AB InBev but with an acquisition value of at least €2.5 million. This regime is subject to the cumulative conditions that (i) the company is treated as a body corporate for tax purposes in the meaning of Article 3, 1), d) of the Double Tax Treaty between Belgium and South Africa and has a legal form considered similar to the ones listed in Annex I, Part A, to the Council Directive 2011/96/EU of 30 November 2011 on the common system of taxation applicable in the case of parent companies and subsidiaries of different Member States, as amended by Directive 2014/863/EU of 8 July 2014; (ii) it is subject to corporate income tax or a similar tax without benefiting from a tax regime that deviates from the ordinary domestic tax regime; (iii) the dividends relate to AB InBev shares which it has held or will hold in full legal ownership for an uninterrupted period of at least one year; and (iv) it cannot in principle credit the Belgian withholding tax paid on the AB InBev dividends or obtain a refund thereof according to the legal provisions in force on December 31 of the year preceding the year of the payment or attribution of the dividends.

In order to benefit from this reduced withholding tax, the shareholder must provide the Central Bureau of Taxation with a South African residency certificate confirming that it fulfils the abovementioned conditions and indicating to what extent the Belgian withholding tax is in principle creditable or reimbursable on the basis of the South African laws applicable on 31 December of the year preceding the one during which the Dividend is paid or attributed.

### South African dividends tax rebate in respect of Belgian withholding tax

A rebate must, for South African dividends tax purposes, be deducted from any South African dividends tax payable in respect of the Dividend (i.e. where no exemption is available). This rebate will be equal to the amount of any Belgian withholding tax paid in respect of the Dividend, without any right of recovery, and must not exceed the amount of the South African dividends tax imposed in respect of the Dividend.

The CSDPs and/or brokers, in their capacity as the regulated intermediaries, must obtain proof of any Belgian withholding tax paid and deducted from the South African tax payable, as above, in the form and manner prescribed by the South African Revenue Service.

For the avoidance of doubt, the income tax and dividends tax information provided above is only relevant to shareholders whose shares are held through CSDPs and brokers and are traded on the JSE.

Any shareholder who is in any doubt as to their tax position should seek independent professional advice.

# SHORT FORM ANNOUNCEMENT

The consolidated financial statements of AB InBev for the year ended 31 December 2021 have been audited by our statutory auditors PwC Bedrijfsrevisoren/Réviseurs d'Entreprises BV/SRL in accordance with International Standards on Auditing as adopted by the European Union, and they have issued an unqualified audit report on these consolidated financial statements.

Shareholders should refer to the full audit report for an overview of the audit engagement and for the key audit matters identified by the group's statutory auditors during the audit engagement. The annual report containing the auditors' full audit report can be accessed at the following link: <a href="https://www.ab-inbev.com/investors/annual-reports.html">https://www.ab-inbev.com/investors/annual-reports.html</a> from close of business today.

This short-form announcement is the responsibility of the board of directors of AB InBev and is a summary of the information in the detailed financial results announcement and does not contain full or complete details. Any investment decision in relation to the Company's shares should be based on the full announcement.

The full announcement may be downloaded from

https://senspdf.jse.co.za/documents/2022/jse/isse/anhe/abi q42021.pdf

or from the Company's website at www.ab-inbev.com

Copies may be requested from the Company and the Johannesburg office of the Company's JSE Sponsor at no charge during business hours for a period of 30 calendar days following the date of this announcement.



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