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Company Announcements Platform Australian Stock Exchange Limited 20 Bridge Street Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Sir/Madam

## 2005 Annual General Meeting

At Westpac Banking Corporation's ("Westpac") Annual General Meeting ("AGM") on 15 December 2005, the following business included in the Notice of Meeting was carried by the requisite majority:

## <u>Item 1 – Reports and Accounts</u>

The reports of the directors and the auditors and the financial reports of Westpac for the year ended 30 September 2005 were received and considered.

## <u>Item 2 – Election of Directors</u>

- Mr Leonard Andrew Davis was re-elected as a Director of Westpac. The resolution was decided by a show of hands.
- Mr David Alexander Crawford was re-elected as a Director of Westpac. The resolution was decided by a show of hands.

Item 3 – Minimum Number of Directors – Amendment to the Westpac Constitution

The Constitution was modified by replacing article 9.1, Number of Directors, with the

following:

"The number of Directors must not be less than the minimum prescribed by the Corporations Law or other regulations and, no more than fifteen as is determined by the Directors. The

number so determined must not be less than the number of Directors (not including any Director

appointed under article 11.16) in office at the time the determination takes effect."

The resolution was decided by a show of hands.

Item 4 – Remuneration Report – Non binding vote

The annual Remuneration Report for Westpac for the year ended 30 September 2005 was

adopted.

The resolution was decided by a show of hands.

All resolutions were decided by a show of hands. In accordance with section 251AA of the Corporations Act 2001, we advise that the total number of proxy votes which were available are

attached as Attachment 1.

A copy of the Notice of Meeting has already been lodged with the ASX.

Yours sincerely

**Emma Lawler** 

Head of Group Secretariat

Attachments: Breakdown of proxy votes as required by Section 251AA(2) of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)



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As required by section 251AA(2) of the Corporations Act 2001 (Commonwealth) the following statistics are provided in respect of each resolution on the agenda.

	Manner in which the securityholder directed the proxy vote (as at proxy close):				Manner in which votes were cast in person or by proxy on a poll (where applicable)		
Resolution	Votes <i>For</i>	Votes <b>Against</b>	Votes Discretionary	Votes <i>Abstain</i>	For	Against	Abstain **
2A RE-ELECT LEONARD ANDREW DAVIS AS A DIRECTOR	642,463,115	880,550	21,774,094	603,786	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands
2B RE-ELECT DAVID ALEXANDER CRAWFORD AS A DIRECTOR	639,605,316	3,506,079	21,779,529	830,621	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands
3 AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION	639,005,040	2,933,040	22,226,267	1,557,198	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands
4 ADOPTION OF DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION REPORT (NON-BINDING RESOLUTION)	623,683,376	14,271,383	21,111,585	6,655,201	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands	Passed on a show of hands

<sup>\*\* -</sup> Note that votes relating to a person who abstains on an item are not counted in determining whether or not the required majority of votes were cast for or against that item