



**Auditors' report in accordance with Chapter 8, Section 54 of the Swedish Companies Act (2005:551), regarding compliance with the guidelines for remuneration to senior executives approved by the Annual General Meeting**

**To the Annual General Meeting of Swedbank AB (publ.), Corporate Identity Number 502017-7753.**

We have audited whether the Board of Directors and the managing director of Swedbank AB (publ.) have complied with the guidelines for remuneration to senior executives during the financial year 2018 which were approved by the Annual General Meeting on March 30, 2017 and by the Annual General Meeting on March 22, 2018.

***Responsibilities of the Board of Directors and the managing director***

The Board of Directors and the managing director are responsible for compliance with these guidelines and for such internal control as the Board of Directors and the managing director determine is necessary to enable compliance with these guidelines.

***Auditor's responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion, based on our audit, to the Annual General Meeting as to whether the guidelines have been complied with. We conducted our audit in accordance with FAR's standard RevR 8 *Audit of Remuneration to Senior Executives in Listed Companies*. This standard requires that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the guidelines have, in all material aspects, been complied with. We apply the international standard on quality control, ISQC 1, and accordingly maintain a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

We are independent of Swedbank AB (publ.) in accordance with professional ethics for accountants in Sweden and have otherwise fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements

Our audit has included a review of the organization for and the documentation supporting the remuneration to senior executives as well as new decisions related to compliance with the guidelines. Our procedures have also included testing a sample of payments during the year to senior executives. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of whether the guidelines have not, in all material aspects, been complied with. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the compliance of the guidelines in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control.

We believe that our audit procedures provide a reasonable basis for our opinion, as set out below.

***Opinion***

In our opinion, the Board of Directors and the managing director of Swedbank AB (publ.) have, during the financial year 2018 complied with the guidelines for remuneration to senior executives which were approved by the Annual General Meeting on March 30, 2017 and by the Annual General Meeting on March 22, 2018.

Stockholm, February 15, 2019

Deloitte AB

*Signature on Swedish original*

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Authorised Public Accountant

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