

NATIXIS SECURITIES AMERICAS LLC
(A Wholly Owned Subsidiary of
Natixis North America LLC)
(SEC I.D. No. 8-00719)

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2020**

**AND
REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED
PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Member and Board of Directors
of Natixis Securities Americas LLC

Opinion on the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Natixis Securities Americas LLC (the "Company") as of December 31, 2020, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statement"). In our opinion, the financial statement presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2020, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

The financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statement. We believe that our audit of the financial statement provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of a Matter

As described in Note 8, the accompanying financial statement includes significant transactions with affiliates and may not necessarily be indicative of the conditions that would have existed or results of operations if the Company had operated as an unaffiliated business. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

February 26, 2021

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2008.

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(In Thousands of U.S. dollars)

Assets	
Cash	\$ 308,675
Securities borrowed	16,296,291
Securities received as collateral	3,299,601
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	2,445,808
Securities owned, at fair value (including pledged of \$0)	72,692
Due from clearing corporations and other	141,512
Accrued interest receivable	3,309
Other assets	29,734
Total assets	\$ 22,597,622
Liabilities and Member's Equity	
<i>Liabilities</i>	
Securities loaned	\$ 13,312,641
Obligation to return securities received as collateral	3,299,601
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	4,621,300
Securities sold, not yet purchased, at fair value	18,395
Borrowing from affiliates, net	170,697
Due to affiliates	24,892
Due to clearing corporations and other	258
Accrued interest payable	2,168
Deferred taxes, net	3,014
Other liabilities	5,311
Total liabilities	\$ 21,458,277
Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors	150,000
Commitments and contingent liabilities (see Note 11)	
Total member's equity	989,345
Total liabilities and member's equity	\$ 22,597,622

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1. Business and Organization

Natixis Securities Americas LLC (the “Company”) is a single member limited liability company organized in Delaware and a wholly owned subsidiary of Natixis North America LLC (“NNA”), its managing member. NNA is a wholly owned subsidiary of Natixis S.A. (“Natixis”), an entity organized in Paris, France. Natixis is a majority owned subsidiary of Group BPCE.

The Company engages in several classes of services, including principal and agency transactions in debt and equity securities and investment banking businesses. The Company also participates in private placement and advisory activities and engages in securities financing transactions, which are collateralized by U.S. government, agency, equity, and corporate debt securities.

The Company is a registered broker-dealer with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (“FINRA”).

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of financial information

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”) and are stated in U.S. dollars.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates generally include the fair value of securities owned, securities sold, not yet purchased, the fair value of certain securities sold under agreements to repurchase and securities purchased under agreements to resell, taxes and compensation costs.

Cash

Cash represents deposits with financial institutions which may, at times, exceed federal insurance limits. As of December 31, 2020, the Company had no restricted cash.

Securities segregated for regulatory purposes

The Company maintains securities in segregated reserve accounts for the exclusive benefit of its customer pursuant to Customer Protection Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. At December 31, 2020, the Company had no segregated cash balance and \$16 million in segregated securities associated with securities purchased under agreement to resell within the statement of financial condition.

Securities financing transactions

Securities borrowed and securities loaned

Securities borrowed and securities loaned are matched book transactions that are recorded based upon the amount of cash collateral advanced or received in connection with the transactions and are accounted for as collateralized financing transactions. Securities borrowed transactions require the Company to deposit cash with the lender. With respect to securities loaned, the Company receives collateral in the form of cash. The Company monitors the market value of securities borrowed and loaned, with additional collateral obtained or excess collateral returned, as

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applicable, in order to maintain contractual margin protection. Securities borrowed and securities loaned are carried at contract value, plus accrued interest.

Securities received as collateral and obligation to return securities received as collateral

The Company also receives securities as collateral in connection with certain securities for securities transactions in which the Company is the lender of securities. The Company reports the fair value of these securities and the related obligation to return the collateral in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) Topic 860, *Transfers and Servicing* issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”). The Company monitors the market value of securities borrowed and loaned, with additional collateral obtained or excess collateral returned, as applicable, in order to maintain contractual margin protection.

Securities sold under agreements to repurchase and securities purchased under agreements to resell

Securities sold under agreements to repurchase and securities purchased under agreements to resell are recorded as collateralized financing transactions. Securities sold under agreement to repurchase and securities purchased under agreement to resell are carried at contract value, plus accrued interest, except for those for which the Company has elected the fair value option (See Note 6). It is the policy of the Company to obtain possession of collateral with a market value equal to or in excess of the principal amount loaned under the resale agreements. On a daily basis, the Company manages its risk by calculating the market value of each participant’s positions and comparing it to the contract amounts with any difference settled by counterparty.

Securities owned, and securities sold, not yet purchased, at fair value

Securities owned, and securities sold, not yet purchased, at fair value consist primarily of equity securities, collateralized loan obligations and corporate securities, carried at fair value. Securities sold, but not yet purchased, at fair value represent obligations of the Company to deliver specified securities, thereby creating a liability to purchase those securities at current market prices.

Fair value is generally based on quoted market prices, dealer quotations or internally developed models. Gains and losses resulting from these transactions are recorded on the trade date using the First In First Out (“FIFO”) method. Additional information regarding securities owned and securities sold, not yet purchased, at fair value is provided within Note 6.

Fair value of financial instruments

ASC Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires enhanced disclosures about fair value measurements.

ASC Topic 820 defines fair value as “the price that would be received to sell an asset and paid to transfer a liability in an ordinary transaction between market participants at the measurement date.”

A fair value measurement assumes that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability occurs in the principal market for the asset or liability or, in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market.

Financial instrument assets and liabilities carried at fair value have been classified and disclosed in one of the following three categories:

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- *Level 1.* Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- *Level 2.* Observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are derived from or corroborated by market data.
- *Level 3.* Unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data. The availability of observable inputs can vary from instrument to instrument and is affected by a wide variety of factors. Certain complex financial instruments and other investments have significant data inputs that cannot be validated by reference to readily observable data. These instruments are typically illiquid, long dated or unique in nature and therefore require judgment by the Company.

Due from/to clearing corporations and other

Due from represents receivables from clearing organizations and includes deposits with clearing organizations, amounts receivable for securities not delivered by the Company to a purchaser by the settlement date (fails to deliver) and receivables arising from unsettled regular way trades.

Due to represents amounts payable for securities not received by the Company from a seller by the settlement date (fails to receive) and payables arising from unsettled trades.

Income taxes

Deferred income taxes are computed for the differences between the financial reporting and tax bases of assets and liabilities that will result in taxable or deductible amounts in the future based on tax laws and rates applicable to the periods in which the differences are expected to reverse. Deferred tax assets are reduced by a valuation allowance when, in the opinion of management, it is more likely than not that some portion or the entire deferred tax asset will not be realized.

As a limited liability company, the Company is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner and sole member NNA. The Company's results of operations are included in the consolidated federal and combined state and local income tax returns filed by NNA. The Company computes its current and deferred taxes as if it were a separate taxpayer. However, the Company uses the statutory tax rates applicable to the consolidated tax return when computing its current and deferred taxes. Net operating losses ("NOLs") are realized by the Company when NOLs are utilized by the consolidated group. Deferred and current tax benefits are credited to the Company to the extent such benefits can ultimately be utilized by members of the consolidated group regardless of whether such benefits could ultimately be realized on a standalone basis. In addition, the need for a valuation allowance is determined at the NNA level rather than on a standalone basis. Amounts receivable or payable with affiliates related to the Company's current tax provision are settled periodically through inter-company accounts.

The Company's policy is to evaluate uncertain tax positions based on the estimated likelihood that a tax position will be sustained upon examination. Unrecognized tax benefits are reassessed periodically to determine if a change is needed based on current information. Interest and penalties, to the extent it is deemed probable that they would be asserted, are accrued and included in the unrecognized tax benefits.

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3. Recently Issued Accounting Standards

Reference Rate Reform

In March 2020, the FASB issued ASU No. 2020-04, Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848) referred to as “the Update”. The ASU provides optional guidance for a limited period of time to ease the potential burden in accounting for (or recognizing the effects of) reference rate reform on financial reporting. Certain operational challenges may arise in accounting for contract modifications and hedge accounting because of reference rate reform. Challenges such as significant volume of contracts and other arrangements, such as debt agreements, lease agreements, and derivative instruments, which will be modified to replace references to discontinued rates with references to replacement rates. For accounting purposes, such contract modifications are required to be evaluated in determining whether the modifications result in the establishment of new contracts or the continuation of existing contracts.

The amendments in the Update are elective and apply to all entities that have contracts, hedging relationships and other transactions that reference the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) or another rate expected to be discontinued because of reference rate reform.

The January 2021 amendments in the Update clarify that certain optional expedients and exceptions in Topic 848 for contract modifications and hedge accounting apply to derivatives that are affected by the discounting transition. The amendments in the Update are effective for all entities as of March 12, 2020 through December 31, 2022. The Company is evaluating the effect the Update will have on its financial statements and related disclosures

Income Taxes – Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes

In December 2019, the FASB issued ASU No. 2019-12, Income Taxes (Topic 740), which removes certain exceptions for recognizing deferred taxes for investments, performing intra period allocation and calculating income taxes in interim periods. The ASU also adds guidance to reduce complexity in certain areas, including recognizing deferred taxes for tax goodwill and allocating taxes to members of a consolidated group. The Company determined it will not early adopt ASU 2019-12 for the year ended December 31, 2020. The ASU effective date for public companies is January 1, 2021. The Company does not expect a material effect on the Financial Statements and related disclosures.

Accounting for Financial Instruments—Credit Losses

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-13, Financial Instruments—Credit Losses (Topic 326). The ASU introduced a new credit loss methodology, Current Expected Credit Losses (CECL), which requires earlier recognition of credit losses, while also providing additional transparency about credit risk. The CECL methodology utilizes a lifetime “expected credit loss” measurement objective for the recognition of credit losses for financial assets at the time it is originated or acquired. The expected credit losses are adjusted each period for changes in expected lifetime credit losses. This methodology replaces the multiple existing impairment methods in current GAAP, which generally require that a loss be incurred before it is recognized. The Company has elected certain practical expedients provided by the standard to measure credit losses, such as the Zero Credit Loss Expectation. The ASU was adopted on January 1, 2020. Adoption of the standard did not have a material impact to the Financial Statements.

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4. Offsetting Assets and Liabilities

The following table presents the gross and net securities financing activities and the related offsetting amounts permitted under ASC 210-20-45:

As of December 31, 2020						
<i>In Thousands of US dollars</i>	Gross Amount of Recognized Assets	Gross Amount offset on the Statement of Financial Condition (1)	Net Amount of Assets Presented on the Statement of Financial Condition	Gross amounts not offset (2)		
				Financial instruments	Cash collateral received	Net Amounts
Offsetting of financial assets:						
Securities borrowed	\$ 16,296,291	\$ -	\$ 16,296,291	\$ 16,286,303	\$ -	\$ 9,988
Securities received as collateral	3,299,601		3,299,601	3,299,601		
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	2,445,808	-	2,445,808	2,445,808	-	-
<i>In Thousands of US dollars</i>	Gross Amount of Recognized Liabilities	Gross Amount offset on the Statement of Financial Condition (1)	Net Amount of Liabilities Presented on the Statement of Financial Condition	Gross amounts not offset (2)		
				Financial instruments	Cash collateral pledged	Net Amounts
Offsetting of financial liabilities:						
Securities loaned	\$ 13,312,641	\$ -	\$ 13,312,641	\$ 13,230,019	\$ -	\$ 82,622
Obligation to return securities received as collateral	3,299,601		3,299,601	3,299,601		
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	4,621,300	-	4,621,300	4,618,750	-	2,550

(1) Amounts related to master netting agreements that have been determined by the Company to be legally enforceable in the event of default and where certain other required criteria are met in accordance with applicable offsetting accounting guidance

(2) Amounts related to master netting agreements that have been determined by the Company to be legally enforceable in the event of default but where certain other required criteria to offset in the Statement of Financial Condition have not been met.

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5. Collateralized Secured Borrowings

The following table presents information about the contractual maturity of repurchase agreements and securities lending transactions that are accounted for as secured borrowings:

<i>In Thousands of US dollars</i>	As of December 31, 2020				Total
	Overnight and Continuous	Up to 30 Days	30 to 90 Days	Greater Than 90 Days	
Repurchase agreements transactions:					
U.S. Treasury and Agency securities	\$ 2,994,300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,994,300
Other Sovereign Government	359,000	-	-	-	359,000
Corporate Debts	1,268,000	-	-	-	1,268,000
Securities lending transactions:					
Equity securities	11,163,327	2,149,314	-	-	13,312,641
Obligation to return securities received as collateral:					
U.S. Treasury securities	408,553	-	-	-	408,553
Equity securities	2,891,048	-	-	-	2,891,048

6. Fair Value Measurement

The Company has categorized its financial instruments, based on the priority of the inputs to the valuation technique into a three-level fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). If the inputs used to measure the financial instruments fall within different levels of the hierarchy, the categorization is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement of the instrument. A review of fair value hierarchy classifications is conducted on an annual basis. Changes in the observability of valuation inputs may result in a reclassification for certain financial assets or liabilities.

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Measurement on a Recurring Basis

The following table presents the Company's fair value hierarchy for those assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2020:

	Fair Value Measurements on a Recurring Basis as of December 31, 2020 (in thousands of U.S. dollars)			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
<i>Assets:</i>				
Securities received as collateral	\$ -	\$ 3,299,601	\$ -	\$ 3,299,601
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	-	1,608,731	-	1,608,731
Securities owned, at fair value:				
Equity securities	-	95	15,084	15,179
Corporate securities	-	18,395	-	18,395
Collateralized loan obligation	-	39,118	-	39,118
Total Securities owned, at fair value	\$ -	\$ 57,608	\$ 15,084	\$ 72,692
<i>Liabilities:</i>				
Obligation to return securities received as collateral	\$ -	\$ 3,299,601	\$ -	\$ 3,299,601
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	-	4,621,300	-	4,621,300
Securities sold, not yet purchased, at fair value:				
Corporate securities	-	18,395	-	18,395
Collateralized loan obligation	-	-	-	-
Total Securities sold, not yet purchased, at fair value	\$ -	\$ 18,395	\$ -	\$ 18,395

- The fair value of Corporate securities is determined by an internal valuation process which compares the carrying price to the average price received from an external Price Provider or Dealer Quote.
- The fair value for securities purchased under agreement to resell and securities sold under agreement to repurchase is determined using a discounted cash flow technique, estimated based on the term of contracts.
- The fair value of Equity securities classified as Level 3, represents equity investments held by the Company that are not traded in the public market. Fair value is based on an assessment of each underlying investment, based on internal and third-party valuation models, which utilizes discounted cash flow analysis and market-based information, including comparable companies' transactions, among other factors.
- The fair value of Collateralized loan obligation classified as Level 2, is determined by an internal valuation process which compares the carrying price to the price received from an external price provider or dealer quote.
- The fair value of securities received as collateral and obligation to return securities received as collateral is determined based on a price received by an external price provider.

There were no transfers between Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 during the year ended December 31, 2020.

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The following is a reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances for assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (level 3) during the year ended December 31, 2020:

(in thousands
of U.S. dollars)

	December 31, 2019	Net realized/ unrealized (losses) included in principal transactions	Purchase	December 31, 2020
<i>Assets:</i>				
Securities owned, at fair value:				
Equity securities	12,054	\$ 3,030	-	\$ 15,084
Total	\$ 12,054	\$ 3,030	\$ -	\$ 15,084

Measurement Not on a Recurring Basis

The following table represents the carrying value and fair value of financial instruments that are not carried at fair value on the statement of financial condition. The carrying value of these predominately collateralized financial instruments approximates fair value due to their short-term nature and generally negligible credit risk. The table excludes the values of non-financial assets and liabilities. The company uses a standard discounted cash flow method to compute the fair value of the subordinated note due to its long-term maturity.

Fair Value Measurements Not on a Recurring Basis
as of December 31, 2020
(in thousands of U.S. dollars)

	Carrying Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Estimated Fair Value
<i>Assets:</i>					
Cash	\$ 308,675	\$ 308,675	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 308,675
Securities borrowed	16,296,291	-	16,296,291	-	16,296,291
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	837,077	-	837,077	-	837,077
Due from clearing corporations and other	141,512	-	141,512	-	141,512
<i>Liabilities:</i>					
Securities loaned	\$ 13,312,641	\$ -	\$ 13,312,641	\$ -	\$ 13,312,641
Borrowing from affiliates, net	170,697	-	170,697	-	170,697
Due to affiliates	24,892	-	24,892	-	24,892
Due to clearing corporations	258	-	258	-	258
Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors	150,000	-	156,723	-	156,723

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7. Due from/to Clearing Corporations and Other

As of December 31, 2020, amounts due from/to clearing corporations and other consist of the following:

	(In thousands of U.S. dollars)	
	Receivable	Payable
Deposits with clearing corporations	\$ 141,503	\$ -
Securities failed to deliver/receive	9	129
Unsettled trades	-	129
	<u>\$ 141,512</u>	<u>\$ 258</u>

8. Related Party Transactions

The Company regularly enters into dealer, clearing and financing transactions with Natixis and Natixis Financial Products ("NFP"). As part of the clearing service provided, the Company received \$171 million in deposits from Natixis and NFP included in borrowings from affiliates within the statement of financial condition.

Effective June 1, 2020, the Company entered into a revolving commitment of \$350 million with Natixis that matures on January 31, 2025, any draws by the Company will qualify for regulatory capital. The Company shall pay a facility fee to Natixis on the non-utilized amount equal to 0.09% per annum and drawdowns will bear interest at the three-month LIBOR USD rate plus 1.47% per annum. There were no drawdowns that qualified for regulatory capital in 2020. As of December 31, 2020, the Company had no balance outstanding on the Natixis facility.

Effective March 5, 2020 the Company and Natixis entered into a loan agreement. Natixis provided an uncommitted, unsecured line of credit for \$300 million, later amended to \$800 million, that matures on June 17, 2021. As of December 31, 2020, the Company had no balance outstanding on the Natixis facility.

The Company entered into securities borrowed with Natixis of \$13.7 billion and securities loaned with Natixis London Branch and Natixis of \$4.5 billion and \$0.1 billion respectively. The Company entered into securities purchased under agreement to resell with Natixis of \$0.7 billion, and Natixis New York Branch ("NYB") of \$0.8 billion. The Company entered into securities sold under agreements to repurchase with NYB of \$3.0 billion

At December 31, 2020, the Company had \$21 million receivables recorded in other assets from the NYB in relation to sales services and broker activities in other assets.

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At December 31, 2020, the Company had an outstanding subordinated loan from its parent NNA, of \$150 million with a maturity of December 31, 2024, at an interest rate of 3-month LIBOR plus 182 basis points.

Effective June 30, 2017, the Company entered into a revolving loan agreement of \$500 million with Natixis Funding Corporation (“NFC”) which is automatically renewed annually on July 1 and incurs an unused commitment fee, at an interest rate of 0.25%.

The Company and Natixis entered into a guarantee agreement whereby all the Company’s payment obligations arising from its equity financing, securities lending, and capital markets activities are fully guaranteed by Natixis.

The following table sets forth the Company’s related party assets and liabilities as of December 31, 2020:

(In Thousands of U.S. dollars)

Assets

Securities borrowed	\$ 13,715,255
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	1,523,631
Accrued interest receivable	325
Other assets	21,135
Total Assets	\$ 15,260,346

Liabilities

Securities loaned	\$ 4,609,109
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	2,994,246
Borrowing from affiliates, net	170,697
Due to affiliates	24,892
Accrued interest payable	110
Total liabilities	\$ 7,799,054

Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors	150,000
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Total liabilities and subordinated claims of general creditors	\$ 7,949,054
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9. Regulatory Requirements

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital. The Company has elected to use the alternative method, permitted by the rule, which requires that the Company maintain minimum net capital, as defined, equal to the greater of \$1.5 million or 2% of aggregate debit balances arising from customer transactions, as defined. At December 31, 2020, the Company had net capital of approximately \$914 million, which was approximately \$913 million in excess of minimum net capital.

At December 31, 2020, the Company segregated Treasuries of \$16 million to a special reserve account for the exclusive benefit of customers to satisfy the computation for determination of Reserve Requirements for Brokers and Dealers (Rule 15c3-3).

The subordinated loan, as disclosed in Note 8, qualifies as equity capital for regulatory purposes and may only be repaid if the Company is in compliance with various terms of the SEC's Uniform Net Capital Rule.

10. Income Taxes

At December 31, 2020, the significant components of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities are set forth below (in thousands of U.S. dollars):

Deferred tax assets	
Accrued expenses	\$ 65
Gross deferred tax assets	65
Deferred tax liabilities	
Securities owned	(3,079)
Deferred taxes, net	\$ (3,014)

The Company has recorded a payable to NNA of \$1.2 million related to current taxes which is included in due to affiliates in the accompanying statement of financial condition.

The Company has not recorded a valuation allowance against the deferred tax assets as it is more likely than not that the NNA consolidated federal and combined state and local filing groups will have sufficient taxable income in future years to recognize the temporary differences when these items become deductible for tax purposes.

The difference between the federal statutory income tax rate of 21% and the income taxes provided mainly relates to state and local income taxes.

At December 31, 2020, the Company had no accrued interest or penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits in the statement of financial condition.

The Company's income tax returns are subject to examination by various governmental taxing authorities for all open years as prescribed by applicable statute. As of December 31, 2020, the tax returns for the years ended December 31, 2017, 2018 and 2019 remain subject to potential examination by the Internal Revenue Service, and the tax returns for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2016,

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2017, 2018 and 2019 remain subject to potential examination by New York State and New York City, constituting the major taxing jurisdictions.

Prior to an internal reorganization of Natixis' combined U.S. operations effective June 29, 2018, the Company's results were included in the results of Natixis U.S. Holdings Inc. ("NUSHI"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Natixis.

The Company is currently under examination as part of the NUSHI group tax returns for 2015, 2016 and 2017 by New York State and New York City.

The Company does not have any unrecognized tax benefits and does not expect the balance to change significantly during the twelve months subsequent to December 31, 2020.

11. Commitments and Contingencies

In the normal course of business, the Company may be named as a defendant in various lawsuits and may be involved in certain investigations and proceedings. It is the opinion of management, after consultation with counsel, that there are no matters pending against the Company that could have a material adverse effect on its financial statements at December 31, 2020.

The Company is a member of various clearing organizations that trade and clear securities or options contracts, or both. Associated with these memberships, the Company may be required to pay a proportionate share of financial obligations of another member who may default on its obligations to the clearing organization. Although the rules governing its memberships vary, in general the Company's guarantee obligations would arise only if the clearing organization had previously exhausted its resources. In addition, any such obligation would be apportioned among the other non-defaulting members of the clearing organization. Any potential contingent liability under these membership agreements cannot be estimated. The Company has not recorded any contingent liability in the accompanying financial statements for these agreements and believes that any potential requirement to make payments under these agreements is remote.

12. Collateral Arrangements

The Company has received securities with a gross estimated fair value of approximately \$16.3 billion in connection with its securities financing activities as of December 31, 2020, which it can sell or re-pledge. Substantially all of these securities have been re-pledged to counterparties as of December 31, 2020.

The Company also receives securities as collateral in connection with certain securities for securities transactions in which the Company is the lender of securities and receives other securities as collateral. In instances where the Company can sell or re-pledge these securities received as collateral, it reports the fair value of these securities and the related obligation to return the securities received as collateral in the financial statements. At December 31, 2020, approximately \$3.3 billion was reported as securities received as collateral and as obligation to return securities received as collateral in the accompanying financial statements. Substantially all of these securities have been re-pledged to counterparties as of December 31, 2020.

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Additionally, the Company engages in securities for securities transactions in which it is the borrower of securities and provides other securities as collateral. As no cash is provided under these types of transactions, the Company, as borrower, treats these as noncash transactions and does not recognize assets or liabilities in the statement of financial condition.

13. Financial Instruments with Off-Balance Sheet Risk

The Company may at times sell financial instruments that it does not currently own and will therefore be obligated to purchase such financial instruments at a future date and will incur a loss if the fair value of the financial instruments increases subsequent to December 31, 2020.

The Company's securities financing activities require the Company to pledge securities when allowed as collateral in support of various secured financing transactions. In the event the counterparty is unable to meet its contractual obligation to return securities pledged as collateral, the Company may be exposed to the risk of acquiring the securities at prevailing market prices in order to satisfy its obligations. The Company controls this risk by monitoring the market value of securities pledged on a daily basis and by requiring adjustments of collateral levels in the event of excess market exposure. In addition, the Company establishes credit limits for such activities and monitors compliance.

The Company is engaged in various trading and brokerage activities primarily with counterparties in the financial services industry including securities brokers and dealers, banks, and other financial institutions. In the event counterparties do not fulfill their obligations, the Company may be exposed to credit risk. The risk of default depends on the creditworthiness of the counterparty or issuer of the instrument. The Company clears fixed income securities transactions through the Government Securities Division ("GSD") of the Fixed Income Clearing Corporation ("FICC") and clears non-fixed income securities through the National Securities Clearing Corporation ("NSCC") and the Options Clearing Corporation ("OCC"). These activities may expose the Company to risk in the event that the securities transaction counterparties, including the clearing broker/bank, other broker-dealers and depositories or banks, are unable to fulfill contractual obligations. It is the Company's policy to review, as necessary, the credit standing of each counterparty.

The Company, as a member of the OCC, collects margin collateral from an affiliate to meet the OCC margin collateral requirement related to the affiliate's option activities. Such activity may expose the Company to significant off-balance sheet risk in the event margin requirements are not sufficient to fully cover losses that the affiliate may incur. In the event the affiliate fails to satisfy its obligations, the Company may be required to purchase or sell financial instruments at prevailing market prices to fulfill the affiliate's obligations. The Company seeks to control the risks associated with its affiliate activities by requiring the affiliate to maintain margin collateral in compliance with various regulatory and internal guidelines. The Company monitors required margin levels daily and, pursuant to such guidelines, requires the affiliate to deposit additional collateral or to reduce positions when necessary.

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14. COVID 19 Impact

During the 2020 calendar year, the World Health Organization has declared COVID-19 to constitute a “Public Health Emergency of International Concern”. This pandemic has disrupted economic markets and the economic impact, duration and spread of the COVID-19 virus is uncertain at this time. The financial performance of the Company is subject to future developments related to the COVID-19 outbreak and possible government advisories and restrictions placed on the financial markets and business activities. The impact on financial markets and the overall economy, all of which are highly uncertain, cannot be predicted. If the financial markets and/or the overall economy are impacted for an extended period, the Company’s results may be materially affected. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

15. Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated events subsequent to December 31, 2020 through the date on which the financial statements were issued. The Company did not have any subsequent events that required adjustment or disclosure in the financial statements.
