

Rådet **för** **finansiell rapportering**

The Swedish Financial Reporting Board

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International Accounting Standards Board
30 Cannon Street
London EC4M 6 XH
United Kingdom

Dear Sirs,

Re: IASB Exposure Draft ED/2013/10 – Equity Method in Separate Financial Statements (proposed amendment to IAS 27)

The Swedish Financial Reporting Board is responding to your invitation to comment on the Exposure Draft Equity Method in Separate Financial Statements.

We agree to the proposed amendments and see no reason why IFRS should not allow the suggested alternative. However, the statutory accounts of Swedish legal units has to be prepared according to the Swedish Annual Accounts Act based on the fourth EU directive. This means that the revised IAS 27 is normally not applicable to Swedish companies.

We would, however, like to take the opportunity to point out to the Board that care must be taken so that IFRS does not interfere with European law since new and amended IFRS standards become law in all EU countries when endorsed. One recent example is the addition of paragraph 8A in IAS 27 that states that investment entities shall present separate financial statements as their only financial statements. Unfortunately this violates the fourth and seventh EU directives.

If you have any questions concerning our comments please address our Executive member Claes Janzon by e-mail to: claes.janzon@radetforfinansiellrapportering.se.

Stockholm, 3 February 2014

Yours sincerely


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