

# SAA Q4 FY2018 Report

Presentation to the Standing Committee on Finance (SCOF)



# **Agenda**

- SAA Q4 Performance
- Oversight Forum
- Addressing Audit Findings

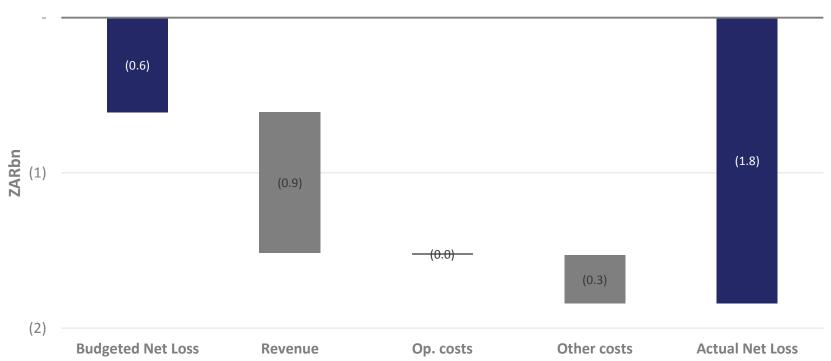


# **SAA Q4 Performance**

# Net loss is R1.2bn worse for Quarter 4 than budget, mainly driven by revenue and currency translation losses

**SAA Group net loss causes** 

- Carried lower passenger numbers than the budget forecast
- Lower revenue largely driven by currency movements
- Higher currency translation losses due to strengthening ZAR relative to dollar
- Overall negative impact from currency movements on net profit of R 237 million





## The Q4 FY2018 Net loss is R1.2b worse than budget

Rm	Q4 Actual	Q4 Budget	Variance	Q4 @ Budget FX	Variance
Revenue	6,962	7,868	-12%	7,381	-6%
Op cost	(7,854)	(7,921)	1%	(8,510)	-7%
EBITDA	(892)	(53)	>100%	(1,129)	>100%
EBIT	(1125)	(226)	>100%	(1,362)	>100%
Net Profit	(1840)	(610)	>100%	(1,778)	>100%

Q4 revenue R0.9bn below budget



R 419million shortfall due to currency movement

Q4 costs relatively flat



However, there is a R656 million currency movement protection, thus costs would have been worse than budget

Q4 currency translation losses

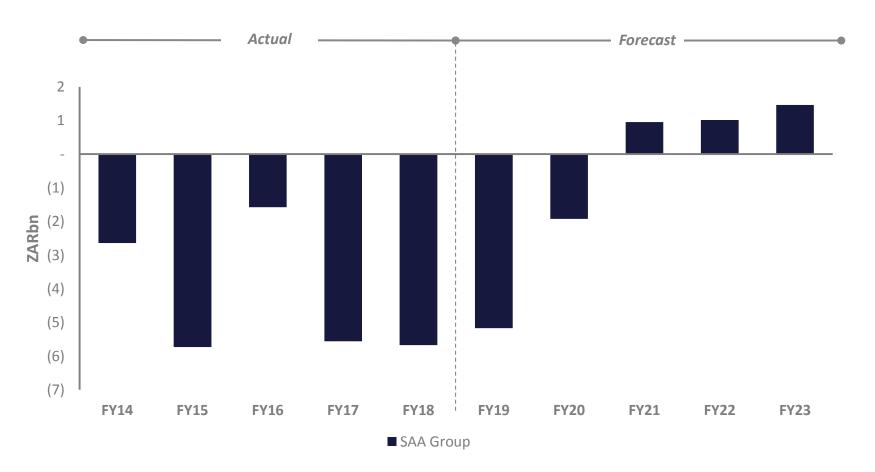


Significant currency translation losses of R508million

Source: Management reports

## The Group turnaround plan forecasts breakeven by FY2021

#### **SAA Group Net Profit/Loss**



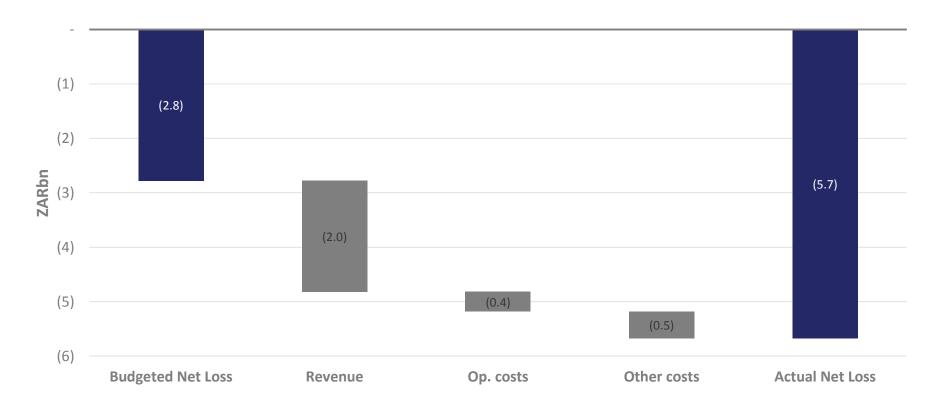


# Net loss is R2.9bn worse than budget, driven both by revenue and operating costs performance below budget

**SAA Group net loss causes** 



- Carried lower passenger numbers than previous year
- Lower average fare due to increased competition and negative sentiment
- Higher operating costs largely driven by increase in fuel costs
- Maintenance (MRO) costs ahead of budget







### The YTD FY2018 revenue is R2.04bn below budget, while costs are R0.4bn above

Rm	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance	YTD @ Budget FX	Varianc e	YTD Prior Yr	Variance
Revenue	6,911	7,697	7,815	6,962	29,385	31,426	-6%	30,416	-3%	30,741	-4%
Op cost	(7,530)	(8,060)	(8,402)	(7,854)	(31,846)	(31,482)	-1%	(33,157)	-4%	(32,405)	-2%
EBITDA	(620)	(363)	(586)	(892)	(2,461)	(56)	>(100%)	(2,741)	10%	(1,664)	-48%
EBIT	(978)	(364)	(1,409)	(1,630)	(4,381)	(1,214)	>(100%)	(3,775)	-16%	(3,751)	-17%
Net Profit	(1,399)	(702)	(1,733)	(1,840)	(5,673)	(2,778)	>(100%)	(5,066)	-12%	(5,561)	-2%

#### YTD revenue R2.04bn below budget



- International sales declined by 11%: -R1.425bn
- Regional sales declined by 6%: -R394m
- Domestic sales declined by 21%: -R1.094bn
- Other positive (e.g. Mango, Cargo, etc.): +R872m

Part of decline caused by tactical capacity reductions

- Maintenance costs above budget by 26%: R1.033bn
- Energy expenses were 2% above budget: – R128m
- Labour costs were 3% above budget:R191m
- Other costs were 7% favourable to budget: – R988m
- D&A were 20% favourable: +R234m
- Currency translation negative impact: – R 996m
- Finance costs and Tax positive impact: + R 271m



YTD other costs R491m above budget

Source: Management reports



## The FY2018 budget and LTTS were premised on certain key assumptions and initiatives; some of these have however not materialised as planned

#### **Key Assumptions**

- Sale of 5x owned A340-300 aircraft
- R900m capital budget
- Purchase of 2x A340-600
- R13bn recap over three years
- Going concern

#### Status of completion











#### Exit 5 wide body aircraft 1.

- Retain narrow body aircraft 2.
- 3. Reduce freighter fleet
- Procurement benefits
- Central Africa routes rationalisation

#### **Key Initiatives**

Status of completion















#### **Negative Market Dynamics not Anticipated**

- Additional competitor capacity 1.
- 2. Growth of LCCs
- 3. JNB by-pass
- Cape Town reaches critical mass 4.

#### **Forex & Oil Price Assumptions**

- ZAR/USA at R13.2 vs R13 budgeted, today @ 12.5 1.
- Brent at \$53.6/Bbl vs \$50.0/Bbl budgeted, today @ \$73/Bbl

#### Total P&L impact of initiatives not implemented in FY2018 is estimated at R1.6bn

Key Not completed





# A number of quick wins have recently been implemented, to arrest immediate losses and start to turn around performance ...



#### Capacity Redistribution

- Shifted 4 narrow-body aircraft to Mango to address excess capacity for SAA and reduce impact of Low Cost Carriers (LCC) market share gain
- Planned return for 1 of 3 freighters to lessor to optimise profitability
- At lease maturity, shift from 737-300 to ATR-72 aircraft (freight) to further improve operating
  cost economics



- Reviewed unprofitable routes including reductions in West Africa, LHR and domestic transfer to Mango
- Adjustment of SAA schedule to focus on business and premium economy traffic

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Staff costs

- Engaging labour around state of the airline and possible restructuring
- Initiated discussions with labour and pilots to achieve greater productivity

Organisation

- Continuing to **build Change Hub** in order to manage transformation within the business
- RfP issued for operating model redesign creating fit for purpose organisation

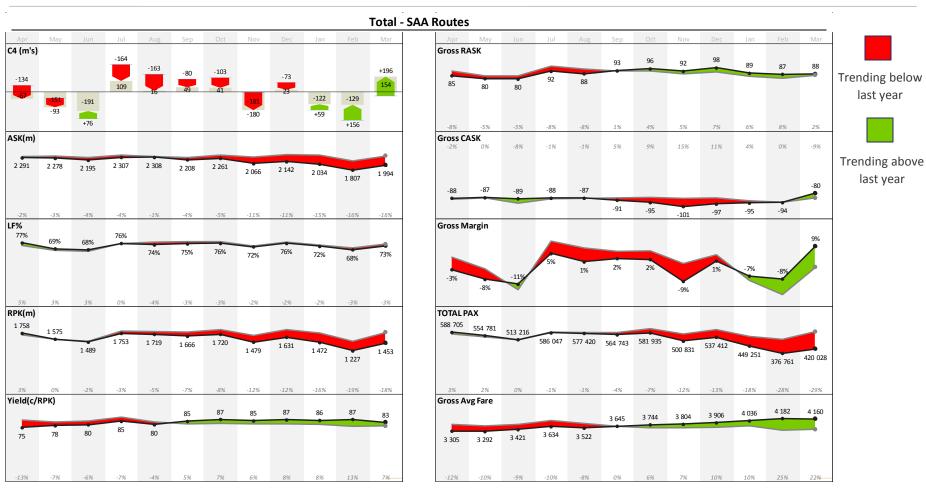
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Other

- Renegotiated terms with key suppliers
- Discussions with lenders to support financing requirements and appointment of financial advisor
- Initial discussions with Board regarding role of **subsidiaries**



### ... that have led to improvements in OVERALL NETWORK...



Focus going forward is to reduce CASK, whilst continuing to improve RASK

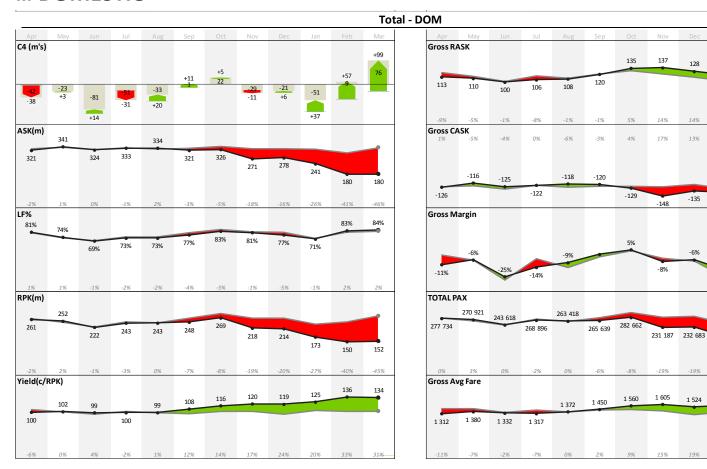
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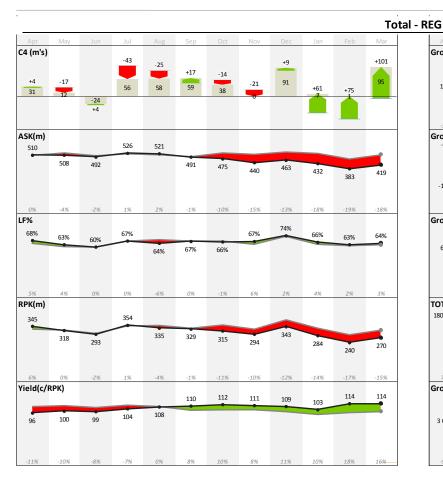
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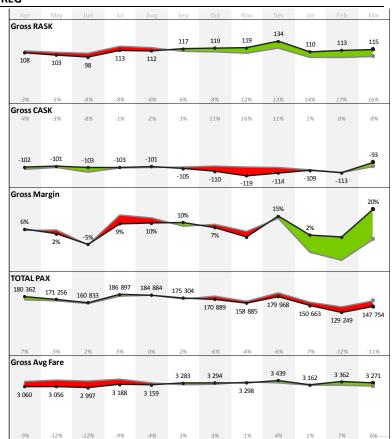


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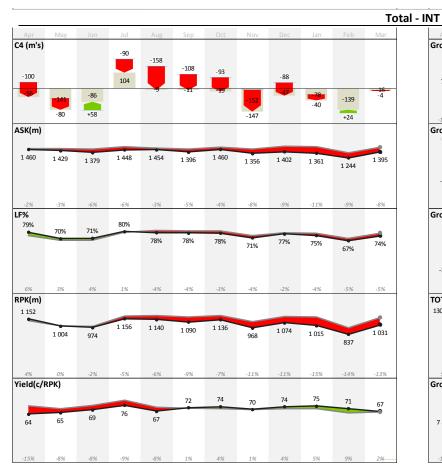


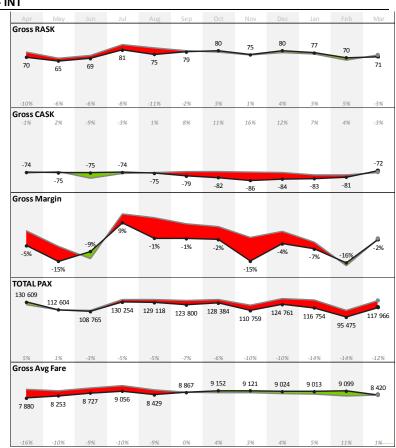
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# **Oversight Forum**

### The Oversight Forum has been set up to address liquidity and capital challenges at SAA

#### **Purpose**

National Treasury and the Board of Directors of SAA have decided to form a joint task force ( The Oversight Forum)

The Oversight Forum seeks to ensure that the conditions for successful strategic recovery of SAA, as directed by the Minister of Finance, are in place and further endeavour to enhance SAA and National Treasury collaborative efforts

#### **Objectives of Forum**

- Address the immediate liquidity challenges facing SAA
- Determine the long term funding requirements of SAA
- Determine the optimal capital structure for SAA
- Create the enabling environment for strategy implementation
- Determine mechanisms to implement the optimal capital structure and funding model for SAA
- The oversight Forum will be in operation from March 2018 to September 2018 and will meet on a fortnightly basis



### Oversight committee definition and work plan – 6 Months

## **Strategic Recovery**

**March 2018** 

**April 2018** 

**May 2018** 

**Jun 2018** 

**Jul 2018** 

**Aug 2018** 

**Sep 2018** 

### Agree shareholder Preference for SAA

- · Agree strategic recovery
- Understand implications

#### 1. ENVIRONMENT:

- Sub-optimal procurement policies
- · Sub-optimal delivery capacity

## 2. LIQUIDITY & SOLVENCY:

- Immediate liquidity concerns that could result in involuntary business rescue
- Ensuring AG can confirm SAA is a going concern
- Ensure long term Optimal capital structure for SAA

## Establish enabling environment for strategy implementation

- · Create special determination on supply chain processes
- · Review shareholder compact
- · Review SMF
- · Flexibility to capacitate SAA to implement strategy

Immediate liquidity concern

- Short-term working capital (Mar Sept '18)
- · Other short term finance requirement (part of six month working capital requirements)



#### SAA as a going concern

- · Solvency & going concern test
- · Solvency test with regards to next 12-18 months strategy and restructuring requirement
- · 2018 External audit outcomes management



#### Agree on optimal capital structure for SAA & Unlock funding options

- Secure Strategic Recovery funding
- Assess different financing options (incl. path to right-sizing debt levels)
- · Innovation around cost of debt
- · Evaluate funding options & approve plan to unlock funds

# 3. STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION:

- Full understanding of the strategy drivers
- Oversee & monitor implementations

#### Develop overseeing mechanism

- · Unpack strategic recovery plan
- Develop simple framework to monitor progress on key milestones
- · Establish KPIs and milestones

- Strategy implementation overseeing and monitoring progress
- · Continuous monitoring and overseeing
- Tracking of projects, costs, benefits, schedule against baselines at a program, master project and project level
- Monthly reviews with National Treasury and Board LTTS
- Communication with key stakeholders on progress and wins
- Issue tracking and resolution
- Overcome roadblocks to implementation





# **Addressing SCOF focus areas**

- Audit Findings
- Skills Requirements

# SAA is dealing with the AG's findings ... a detailed project plan is being implemented to address these findings

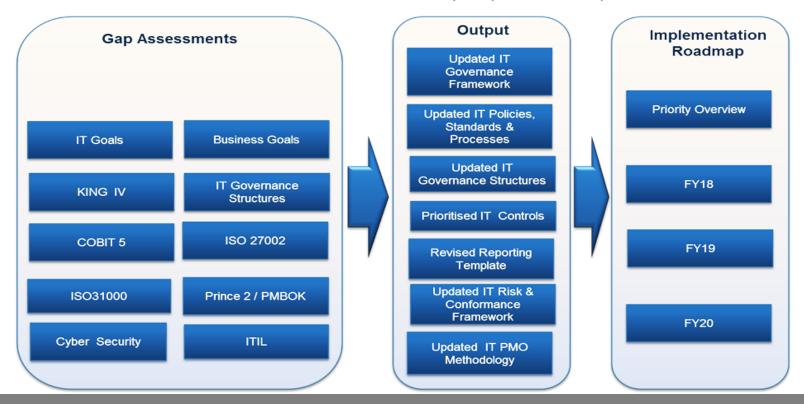
2016/17 Qualification Areas	Root Cause(s)	Resolution Status	Responsible Person	Target Date
	Annual review of useful lives and residual values     on owned aircraft not done at component level	In progress	CFO: SAA	May 2018
1. Property, aircraft and equipment	Lack of clarity on property ownership between     SAA & SAAT impacted accuracy of allocation of     adjustments		CFO: SAAT	
2. Rotables	Stock counts not done	In progress	CFO: SAAT	May 2018
2. Rotables	Stock receipt on both Memis & SAP not done			
	Carrying value of assets more than recoverable	In progress	CFO: SAA	May 2018
3. Property, plant and equipment (PPE)	amounts		CFO: SAAT	
	Accelerated depreciation on some assets			
4. Inventory	No records of policy being applied	Completed	HoD Financial Accounting: SAA	February 2018
	Accruals not made	Completed	CFO: SAA	January 2018
5. Maintenance costs	<ul> <li>Differences between SAA &amp; AGSA on treatment of restoration costs</li> </ul>			
	Deficiencies in the Group SCM policy	In progress	CPO & CFO: SAA & Subsidiaries	September
6. Irregular	Lack of contract management		Substatuties	2018
expenditure	<ul> <li>Copies of TCCs accepted &amp; Lack of consequence management</li> </ul>			
7. Fruitless and	Late payments & VISA fines	In progress	CPO & CFO: SAA & Subsidiaries	May 2018
wasteful expenditure	Excessive duration of suspension		Subsidiaries	
8. Material uncertainty	Under capitalisation	In progress	CFO	September
related to going concern	Accumulated losses			2018

# As part of the IT disaster recovery strategy, a specific approach has been developed in order to address the gaps identified by AGSA

**Key ICT findings** 



- Outdated IT governance
- Inadequate IT project management
- Enhancements required to the IT Disaster Recovery Plan
- IT not fully compliant with own policies



71% of the AGSA audit findings have been remediated



## Audit timelines

Audit Timeline	<u>Status</u>
February - Auditors commence interim audit	<b>√</b>
April 25 – SAA close March Period 13	V
May 11 – Submit draft AFS to ARC for approval	V
May 17 – ARC recommends draft AFS to Board	
May 31 – Board approves draft AFS for submission to auditors for audit	
May 31 – Approved draft AFS submitted to auditors for audit	
June – Integrated report compiled (plan in process already)	
July 1 – Draft integrated report submitted to auditors for review	
July 20 – Draft integrated report updated with any changes required	
July 24 – Integrated report submitted to Exco for approval	
July 27 – Exco approve Integrated report	
July 31 – Auditors complete audit	
Aug 1 - Integrated report submitted to ARC	
Aug 15 – ARC recommend Integrated report to Board for approval	
Aug 31 – Board approve Integrated report	
Aug 31 – Approved, signed Integrated report submitted to National Treasury	
Sept – AGM (date TBA)	
Sept 28 – Integrated report tabled in Parliament	
√ - Complete	
Red – Major audit milestones	



# Limited management capacity to execute the strategy is a key risk to the implementation of the turnaround plan – Key appointments have been made

Role	Division	Status
1. Legal Officer	Legal	Interim appointment made
2. Risk Officer	Risk	Interim appointment made
3. Procurement Officer	Procurement	Appointment made
4. Chief Commercial Officer	Commercial	Filled. Started February 2018
5. General Manager: Cargo	Cargo	Still to be filled.
6. Chief Information Officer	ΙΤ	Permanent appointment made
7. CEO Mango	Mango	Resource acting
8. CEO Air Chefs	Air Chefs	Permanent appointment made
9. Head of Department: Taxation	Finance	Permanent appointment made
10. Regulatory Policy	Risk	Interim appointment made



In addition to filling of key executive roles, there is a need to reinforce them with capacity to be able to implement the strategy

#### **Critical Skills Gap**



- Finance
- Revenue Management
- Network Development
- Data Science
- Information Technology
- Supply chain management

# How we intend closing the gap



- Contract skills from reputable firms
- Short-term assignments from highly skilled individuals e.g. retired personnel
- Recruit key skills into SAA

#### **Expected timeframes**



- Key exco roles have been filled with permanent and interim resources
- RFP for panel of service providers has been issued

It is important to note that given SAA's history and current state, it is difficult to attract high calibre individuals with stable careers



The End

