

PROPOSAL
ON
THE ASSESSMENT OF THE BANK'S ADMINISTRATION AND SUPERVISION
BODIES

(refers to **Item Four** in the Agenda of the Annual General Meeting of April 17th,
2006)

Whereas:

1. the net earnings of "Banco Espírito Santo, S.A." in fiscal year 2005 increased by 85%, reaching euro 280,481,000.00;
2. such performance was obtained against a climate of economic uncertainty and extreme commercial aggressiveness, where the prevailing low level of interest rates made it difficult to obtain a return from short-term funds;
3. notwithstanding these adverse conditions, "Banco Espírito Santo, S.A." not only reached said results but also considerably reinforced its provisions, and also shows a level of financial strength well above that required by regulatory bodies;
4. such results were only made possible by the overall good performance of its operating units and by the significant improvement of the services provided by "Banco Espírito Santo, S.A.", which required considerable investment in the training of its sales force, the reorganisation of the commercial approach, and the introduction of modern and sophisticated equipment aimed at better responding to the needs of the clientele, thus consolidating its organic growth strategy and consequently its economic performance;

The shareholder "BESPAR – Sociedade Gestora de Participações Sociais, S.A." proposes that a vote of praise, confidence and deep recognition to the Board of Directors and Fiscal Board of "Banco Espírito Santo, S.A." and to each of their members be approved.

Lisbon, March 9th, 2006

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS