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Impairment but Operating Profit Within Previous Guidance

Aristocrat Leisure Limited (ASX: ALL) today announced that it expects to book a one-off (abnormal/non cash) \$79.9 million (post tax) charge in its financial results for the 6 month period ended 30 June 2009. This charge is against the carrying values of its investments and inventories in its multi-terminal gaming businesses, Electronček and PokerTek Inc.

The Company has taken a conservative view in evaluating the appropriate carrying values of its multi-terminal gaming operations and the resulting non-cash one-off adjustment to book values. This charge results from the significant impact of global economic conditions on the demand for multi-terminal gaming products as well as the limited forward visibility of earnings from these operations in the current climate.

As a result of this charge and combined with previously announced one-off (abnormal) items, the Company now expects to report a loss (after abnormal) post tax of approximately \$33.2 million for the 6 month period ended 30 June 2009.

The Company's operating (pre abnormal) profit post tax is expected to be approximately \$44.2 million (9 cents per share, fully diluted) for the half. This compares with \$35.4 - \$45.4 million incorporated in prior Company guidance (refer attached).

These results remain subject to Board approval and review by the Company's auditors, and therefore may change before finalisation.

Final results for the 6 month period ended 30 June 2009 will be released on 25 August 2009.

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Aristocrat Leisure Limited (ASX: ALL) is a leading global provider of gaming. The Company is licensed by over two hundred regulators and its products and services are available in over ninety countries around the world. Aristocrat offers a diverse range of products and services including electronic gaming machines, interactive video terminal systems, electronic tables and casino management systems. For further information visit the Group's website at www.aristocratgaming.com.

Summary of Provisional Result *
6 month period ended 30 June 2009

	Provisional Result * A\$m	Prior Guidance A\$m
Operating profit post tax	44.2	35.4 – 45.4
<i>One-off items</i>		
Profit on sale of property	8.8	
Restructuring costs	(3.0)	
Intellectual property settlement	(3.3)	
Impairment of multi-terminal gaming businesses	<u>(79.9)</u>	
Net one-off (loss)/profit	<u>(77.4)</u>	4.6
Reported loss (after abnormals) post tax	<u>(33.2)</u>	40.0 – 50.0

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