TD 94/D111 - Income tax: capital gains: how should interim and final liquidation distributions received by shareholders be treated for CGT purposes?

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Draft Taxation Determination

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1.   An interim liquidation distribution is not 'consideration in respect of the disposal' of shares for the purposes of subsection 160ZD(1) of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936*. If the relevant shares were acquired after 19 September 1985, section 160ZL applies to the distribution, it being a payment in respect of the shares, to the extent that it is not deemed to be a dividend by subsection 47(1), or is a section 160ZLA rebatable dividend adjustment (subsection 160ZL(5)).

2.   A final liquidation distribution is 'consideration in respect of the disposal' of shares for the purposes of subsection 160ZD(1).

3.   When a final distribution is made, we expect that the liquidator would describe the distribution as such so that shareholders would be aware that it is a final distribution.

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