SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

(X) QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

OR

() TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.

FOR QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2001 COMMISSION FILE NO. 1-6622

WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MARYLAND

53-0261100 _____

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

6110 EXECUTIVE BOULEVARD, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND 20852 _____ (Address of principal executive office) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (301) 984-9400

_____ (Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant's classes of common stock, as of the close of the period covered by this report.

SHARES OF BENEFICIAL INTEREST 35,780,869

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding twelve (12) months (or such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such report) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past ninety (90) days.

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Part I

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The information furnished in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets, Statements of Income, Statements of Cash Flows and Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity reflect all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring items, which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the financial position, results of operations and of cash flows for the interim periods. The accompanying financial statements and notes thereto should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes for the three years ended December 31, 2000 included in the Trust's 2000 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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Part I

Item I. Financial Statements

WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(In Thousands, except per share amounts)

	(Unaudited) March 31, 2001	December 31, 2000
<\$>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Assets		
Real estate at cost	\$ 702 , 157	\$ 698,513
Accumulated depreciation	(106,626)	(100,906)
Total investment in real estate	595,531	597,607
Cash and cash equivalents	5,075	6,426
Rents and other receivables, net of allowance for doubtful	0.555	0.405
accounts of \$1,881 and \$1,743, respectively	9,555	8,427
Prepaid expenses and other assets	19 , 617	19 , 587
	\$ 629 , 778	\$ 632,047 =======
Liabilities	======	=======
Accounts payable and other liabilities	\$ 10,818	\$ 13,048
Tenant security deposits	5 , 526	5,624
Advance rents	1,839	1,901
Mortgage notes payable	86 , 057	86,260
Lines of credit payable	_	_
Notes payable	265,000	265 , 000
	369,240	371,833
		4.550
Minority interest	1,571 	1,558
Shareholders' Equity Shares of beneficial interest; \$.01 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized: 35,781 and 35,740 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2001 and December 31,		
2000, respectively	358	357
Additional paid-in capital	258,609	258,299
	258,967	258,656

\$ 629,778 \$ 632,047

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See accompanying notes to financial statements

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WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (In Thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

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		Three Months Ended March 31,		
		2001	2000	
<\$>	<c></c>		<c></c>	
Real estate rental revenue Real estate expenses		\$ 35,324 (10,239)	\$31,935 (9,372	
Operating income Depreciation and amortization		25,085 (6,214)	22,563 (5,430	
Income from real estate Other income Interest expense General and administrative		18,871 199 (6,676) (1,666)	17,133 149 (6,090 (1,780	
Income before gain on sale of real estate		10,728	9,412	
Gain on sale of real estate		-	1,498	
Net Income		\$ 10,728 ======	\$10,910 ======	
Per share information based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding				
SharesBasic SharesDiluted		35,778 36,164	35,734 35,763	
Income before gain on sale of real estate - Basic		\$ 0.30	\$ 0.20	
Income before gain on sale of real estate - Diluted	l	\$ 0.30 =====	\$ 0.26	
Net income per shareBasic		\$ 0.30	\$ 0.33	
Net income per shareDiluted		\$ 0.30	\$ 0.33	
Dividends paid		\$ 0.3125 ======	\$0.2925	
			======	

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WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2001
(In Thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Shares	Par Value	Additional Paid in Capital	Shareholders' Equity
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Balance, December 31, 2000	35,740	\$357	\$258 , 299	\$258,656
Net income			10,728	10,728
Dividends			(11,182)	(11,182)
Share Options Exercised				
and Share Grants	41	1	764	765
Balance, March 31, 2001	35,781	\$358	\$258,609	\$258,967

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$\begin{array}{c} {\tt CONSOLIDATED} \ \, {\tt STATEMENTS} \ \, {\tt OF} \ \, {\tt CASH} \ \, {\tt FLOWS} \\ {\tt (In Thousands)} \end{array}$

	(Unau Three Months	dited) Ended
March 31,	2001	
2000		
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Cash Flow From Operating Activities Net income	\$ 10 , 728	
\$ 10,910	Ų 10 , 720	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities Gain on sale of real estate	_	
(1,498)	6 214	
Depreciation and amortization 5,430	6,214	
(Increases) decreases in other assets 467	(1,609)	
Changes in other liabilities (3,589)	(1,676)	
Net cash provided by operating activities 11,720	13,657	
Cash Flow From Investing Activities Capital improvements to real estate (3,016)	(2,125)	
Non-real estate capital improvements (122)	(43)	
Real estate acquisitions	(1,520)	
(1,358) Cash received for sale of real estate 2,456	-	
· 		
Net cash used in investing activities	(3,688)	
(2,040)		
Cash Flow From Financing Activities		
Dividends paid (10,452)	(11,182)	
Borrowings - Lines of credit 2,000	-	
Repayments - Lines of credit	-	
Principal payments - Mortgage note payable	(202)	
(187) Share options exercised	64	
157		
Not each used by financing activities	(11,320)	
Net cash used by financing activities (8,482)	(11,320)	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(1,351)	
1,198		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year 4,716	6,426	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period \$ 5,914	\$ 5,075	

Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information: Cash paid for interest during the three months ended \$9,694\$

March 31, 2001

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See accompanying notes to financial statements

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WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2001

NOTE 1: NATURE OF BUSINESS

Washington Real Estate Investment Trust ("WRIT" or the "Trust"), a Maryland real estate investment trust, is a self-administered, self managed, qualified equity real estate investment trust, successor to a trust organized in 1960. The Trust's business consists of the ownership of income-producing real estate properties in the greater Washington - Baltimore region.

WRIT operates in a manner intended to enable it to qualify as a real estate investment trust under the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"). In accordance with the Code, a trust which distributes at least 90% of its taxable income to its shareholders each year (95% for years prior to 2001), and which meets certain other conditions, will not be taxed on that portion of its taxable income which is distributed to its shareholders. Accordingly, no provision for Federal income taxes is required.

NOTE 2: ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited financial statements have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Certain information and note disclosures normally included in annual financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles have been condensed or omitted pursuant to those rules and regulations, although WRIT believes that the disclosures made are adequate to make the information presented not misleading.

Comprehensive Income

WRIT has no items of comprehensive income that would require separate reporting in the accompanying consolidated statements of income.

Earnings Per Common Share

"Basic earnings per share" is computed as net income divided by the weighted average common shares outstanding. "Diluted earnings per share" is computed as net income divided by the total weighted average common shares outstanding plus the effect of dilutive common equivalent shares outstanding for the period. Dilutive common equivalent shares reflect the assumed issuance of additional common shares pursuant to certain of WRIT's share based compensation plans that could potentially reduce or "dilute" earnings per share, based on the treasury stock method.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In June 1998, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" was issued. This statement (as amended by SFAS No. 137, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities--Deferral of the Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 133") establishes accounting and reporting standards for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments

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embedded in other contracts (collectively referred to as derivatives) and for hedging activities. It requires that an entity recognize all derivatives as $\frac{1}{2}$

\$ 9,090

either assets or liabilities in the statement of financial position and measure those instruments at fair value. If certain conditions are met, a derivative may be specifically designated as (a) a hedge of the exposure to changes in the fair value of a recognized asset or liability or an unrecognized firm commitment, (b) a hedge of the exposure to variable cash flows of a forecasted transaction, or (c) a hedge of the foreign currency exposure to a net investment in a foreign operation, an unrecognized firm commitment, an available-for-sale security, or a foreign-currency-denominated forecasted transaction. This statement is effective for all fiscal quarters of fiscal years beginning after January 1, 2001. Although WRIT currently has no derivative instruments, this statement will affect derivative instruments acquired by WRIT in future periods.

Revenue Recognition

Residential properties are leased under operating leases with terms of generally one year or less, and commercial properties are leased under operating leases with average terms of three to five years. WRIT recognizes rental income and rental abatements from its residential and commercial leases when earned in accordance with SFAS No. 13. WRIT records an allowance for doubtful accounts equal to the estimated uncollectible amounts. This estimate is based on WRIT's historical experience and a review of the current status of its receivables.

Deferred Financing Costs

Costs associated with the issuance of notes payable are capitalized and amortized using the effective interest rate method over the term of the related notes.

Real Estate and Depreciation

Buildings are depreciated on a straight-line basis over estimated useful lives not exceeding 50 years. All capital improvement expenditures associated with replacements, improvements, or major repairs to real property are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives ranging from 3 to 30 years. All tenant improvements are amortized using the straight-line method over the shorter of the useful life or the term of the lease. Maintenance and repair costs are charged to expense as incurred.

WRIT recognizes impairment losses on long-lived assets used in operations when indicators of impairment are present and the net undiscounted cash flows estimated to be generated by those assets are less than the assets' carrying amount. Impairment is generally assessed through comparison of amortized value to fair value. No such losses have been recorded during 2001 or 2000.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include investments readily convertible to known amounts of cash with original maturities of 90 days or less.

Use of Estimates in the Financial Statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires

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WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2001

management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Reclassifications

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

NOTE 3: REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS

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WRIT's real estate investment portfolio, at cost, consists of properties located in Maryland, Washington, D.C. and Virginia as follows:

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March 31, 2001 (in thousands)

<S>
Office buildings
Industrial centers

<C> \$385,230 117,857

104,114 94,956 \$702,157 _____

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WRIT acquired the following property during 2001:

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Purchase Contract

	Property	Property	Rentable Square			Cost (in
Acquisition Date	Name	Type	Feet	Units		thousands)
<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	
February 15, 2001						

 1611 N. Clarendon | Multifamily | 10,640 | 14 | | \$1,500 |

NOTE 4: MORTGAGE NOTES PAYABLE

On September 20, 1999, WRIT assumed an \$8.7 million mortgage note payable as partial consideration for its acquisition of Avondale Apartments. The mortgage bears interest at 7.875 percent per annum. Principal and interest are payable monthly until November 1, 2005, at which time all unpaid principal and interest are payable in full.

On September 27, 1999, WRIT executed a \$50.0 million mortgage note payable secured by the Ashby Apartments, Country Club Towers, Munson Hill Towers, Park Adams and Roosevelt Towers. The mortgage bears interest at a fixed 7.14 percent per annum and is payable monthly until October 1, 2009, at which time all unpaid principal and interest are payable in full. The funds were used to repay advances on its lines of credit.

WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2001

Annual maturities of principal as of March 31, 2001 are as follows:

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(in thousands)

<s></s>	<c></c>		
2001		\$ 6	31
2002		9	03
2003		7,3	68
2004		8	320
2005		26,3	35
Thereafter		50,0	00
Total		\$86,0	57
		=====	

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NOTE 5: UNSECURED LINES OF CREDIT PAYABLE

As of March 31, 2001, WRIT had two unsecured credit commitments in the amount of \$50 million and \$25 million, with \$0 outstanding under the credit commitments leaving \$75 million available. Under the terms of the credit commitments, interest only is payable monthly, in arrears, on the unpaid principal balance. All new advances will bear interest at LIBOR plus a spread based on WRIT's credit rating on its publicly issued debt. All unpaid interest and principal can be prepaid prior to the expiration of WRIT's interest rate lock-in periods. This prepayment is not subject to a yield maintenance obligation or other penalty on the \$50 million credit commitment but is subject to a yield maintenance obligation on the \$25 million credit commitment.

The \$50 million credit commitment requires WRIT to pay the lender unused commitment fees at the rate of 0.200 percent per annum on the amount by which the unused portion of the commitment exceeds the balance of outstanding advances and term loans. The \$25 million credit commitment requires WRIT to pay the lender a facility management fee of 0.175 percent per annum on the commitment

amount of \$25 million. These fees are payable quarterly. The credit commitments also contain certain financial covenants related to debt, net worth, and cash flow as well as non-financial covenants, all of which WRIT has met as of March 31, 2001.

NOTE 6: NOTES PAYABLE

On August 13, 1996 WRIT sold \$50 million of 7.125 percent 7-year unsecured notes due August 13, 2003, and \$50 million of 7.25 percent unsecured 10-year notes due August 13, 2006. The 7-year notes were sold at 99.107 percent of par and the 10-year notes were sold at 98.166 percent of par. Net proceeds to the Trust after deducting underwriting expenses were \$97.6 million. The 7-year notes bear an effective interest rate of 7.46 percent, and the 10-year notes bear an effective interest rate of 7.49 percent, for a combined effective interest rate of 7.47 percent. WRIT used the proceeds of these notes to repay advances on its lines of credit and to finance acquisitions and capital improvements to its properties.

On February 20, 1998, WRIT sold \$50 million of 7.25 percent unsecured notes due February 25, 2028 at 98.653 percent to yield approximately 7.36 percent. WRIT also sold \$60 million in unsecured Mandatory Par Put Remarketed Securities ("MOPPRS") at an effective borrowing rate through the remarketing date (February 2008) of approximately 6.74 percent. The net proceeds to WRIT after deducting loan origination fees was \$102.7

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WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2001

million. WRIT used the proceeds of these notes for general business purposes, including repayment of outstanding advances under its lines of credit and to finance acquisitions and capital improvements to its properties. WRIT's costs of the borrowings and closed hedge settlements of approximately \$7.2 million will be amortized over the lives of the notes using the effective interest method.

On November 6, 2000, WRIT sold \$55.0 million of 7.78 percent unsecured notes due November 2004. The notes bear an effective interest rate of 7.89 percent. Total proceeds to the Trust, net of underwriting fees, were \$54.8 million. WRIT used the proceeds of these notes to repay advances on its lines of credit.

These notes contain certain financial and non-financial covenants, all of which WRIT has met as of March 31, 2001.

NOTE 7: SEGMENT INFORMATION

WRIT has four reportable segments: Office Buildings, Industrial Centers, Multifamily and Retail Centers. Office Buildings represent 53 percent of real estate rental revenue and provide office space for various types of businesses. Industrial Centers represent 14 percent of real estate rental revenue and are used for warehousing and distribution. Multifamily represents 19 percent of real estate rental revenue. These properties provide housing for families throughout the Washington Metropolitan area. Retail Centers represent the remaining 14 percent of real estate rental revenue and are typically neighborhood grocery store or drug store anchored retail centers.

The accounting policies of each of the segments are the same as those described in Note 2. WRIT evaluates performance based upon operating income from the combined properties in each segment. WRIT's reportable segments are consolidations of similar properties. They are managed separately because each segment requires different operating, pricing and leasing strategies. All of these properties have been acquired separately and are incorporated into the applicable segment.

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WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2001

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> (in thousands) Three Months Ended March 31, 2001

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<s></s>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Real estate rental revenue 35,324	\$ 18,828	\$ 4,997	\$ 6,696	\$ 4,803	\$ -	\$
Real estate expenses (10,239)	(5,677)	(1,208)	(2,348)	(1,006)	-	
						-
	40 454		4 0 4 0			
Operating income 25,085	13,151	3,789	4,348	3 , 797	-	
Depreciation and amortization (6,214)	(3,451)	(1,020)	(935)	(582)	(226)	
						-
Income from real estate 18,871	9,700	2,769	3,413	3,215	(226)	
Other income	-	-	-	-	199	
199	(226)		(1 000)	(1.55)	/F 100\	
Interest expense (6,676)	(336)	-	(1,080)	(157)	(5,103)	
General and administrative (1,666)	-	-	_	-	(1,666)	
						-
Income before gain on sale of						
real estate 10,728	\$ 9,364	\$ 2,769	\$ 2,333	\$ 3,058	\$(6,796)	\$
·	======	======	======	======	======	
Capital investments 3,688	\$ 1,661	\$ (74) (1) \$ 1 , 995	\$ 63	\$ 43	\$
======	======	======	======	======	======	
Total assets \$629,778	\$341,542	\$107,267	\$80,538	\$81,942	\$18,489	
	======	======	======	======	======	
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(1) This credit reflects a reimbursable tenant improvement reclassified to Other Receivables in first quarter 2001. The funding of this improvement by WRIT occurred during 2000 and 2001.

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(in thousands)
Three Months Ended March 31, 2000

	Office Buildings	Industrial Centers	Multifamily	Retail Centers	Corporate and Other	d
Consolidated						
 <\$>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Real estate rental revenue 31,935	\$ 16,695	\$ 4,315	\$ 6,400	\$ 4,525	\$ -	\$
Real estate expenses 9,372	(4,977)	(1,022)	(2,340)	(1,033)	-	
						-
Operating income 22,563	11,718	3 , 293	4,060	3,492	-	
Depreciation and amortization 5,430	(3,082)	(915)	(849)	(584)	-	
						-
Income from real estate	8,636	2 , 378	3,211	2,908	-	
Other income	-	-	-	_	149	
Interest expense (6,090)	(343)	-	(1,084)	(161)	(4,502)	
General and administrative (1,780)	-	-	-	-	(1,780)	
						-
<pre>Income before gain on sale of real estate 9,412</pre>	\$ 8,293	\$ 2,378	\$ 2,127	\$ 2,747	\$(6,133)	\$
	======	=======	======	======	======	

Capital investments 5,641	\$ 2,438	\$ 893	\$ 559	\$ 1,617	\$ 134	\$
	======	======	======	======	======	
=======						
Total assets \$607,318	\$320,024	\$105,254	\$79 , 237	\$83 , 925	\$18,878	
	======	======	======	======	======	
======						

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WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2001

NOTE 8: SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On April 21, 2001, WRIT acquired One Central Plaza for a purchase price of \$44.4 million. This 274,000 square foot office space was financed through a \$43.0 million advance on the unsecured lines of credit discussed in Note 5.

On April 24, 2001, WRIT completed a public offering of 2,300,000 Shares of Beneficial Interest priced at \$22.15 per share. \$43.0 million of the \$48.2 million net proceeds from the sale of the shares was used to repay the \$43.0 million borrowing related to the acquisition of One Central Plaza. On May 3, 2001, the underwriter exercised an over-allotment option to increase the offering by an additional 235,000 shares at \$22.15 per share. This additional sale closed on May 8, 2001 and resulted in net proceeds of \$4.9 million to the Trust.

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ITEM 2: MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

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FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

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WRIT's Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contains statements that may be considered forward looking. Although WRIT believes that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are based upon reasonable assumptions, it can give no assurance that its expectations will be achieved. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from WRIT's current expectations include the economic health of WRIT's tenants, the economic health of the Greater Washington-Baltimore region, or other markets WRIT may enter, the supply of competing properties, inflation, consumer confidence, unemployment rates, consumer tastes and preferences, stock price and interest rate fluctuations, WRIT's future capital requirements, competition, compliance with applicable laws, including those concerning the environment and access by persons with disabilities, weather conditions and the effects of changes in capital availability to the technology and biotechnology sectors of the economy.

REAL ESTATE RENTAL REVENUE AND OPERATING INCOME: Three Months Ended March 31,

2001 Compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2000

Total revenues for the first quarter of 2001 increased 10.6% (\$3.4 million) to \$35.3 million from \$31.9 million in the first quarter of 2000. Operating income increased 11.2% (\$2.5 million) to \$25.1 million from \$22.3 million in the first quarter of 2000.

For the first quarter of 2001, WRIT's office buildings had increases of 12.8% in revenues and 12.2% in operating income, respectively, over the first quarter of 2000. These increases were primarily due to increased core portfolio revenues and operating income, the acquisition of Wayne Plaza in May 2000 and the acquisition of Courthouse Square in October 2000. Comparing those office buildings owned by WRIT for the entire first quarters of 2000 and 2001, revenue and operating income increased 5.9% and 6.3%, respectively. These increases in revenues and operating income were primarily due to increases in rental rates and occupancy across the sector. This operating income increase was partially offset by an increase of \$0.7 million in real estate expenses during first

quarter 2001, principally due to higher operating expenses and higher real estate taxes. Occupancy levels increased to 98.3% in first quarter 2001 from 97.2% in first quarter 2000.

For the first quarter of 2001, WRIT's industrial distribution center revenues and operating income increased 15.8% and 15.1%, respectively, over the first quarter of 2001. These increases were primarily due to increased core portfolio revenues and operating income. Comparing those industrial distribution centers owned by WRIT for the entire first quarter of 2000 and 2001, revenue and operating income increased by 12.8% and 15.8%, respectively. These increases in revenues and operating income were primarily due to increased rental rates and occupancy. Occupancy rates improved significantly to 98.4% in the first quarter of 2001 from 95.4% in the first quarter of 2000. This operating income increase was partially offset by a \$0.2 million increase in real estate expenses during first quarter 2001.

For the first quarter of 2001, WRIT's multifamily revenues and operating income increased 4.6% and 7.1%, respectively, over the first quarter of 2000. These increases were primarily due to increased rental rates in WRIT's core portfolio. Comparing those apartment buildings owned by WRIT for the entire first quarter of 2000 and 2001, revenue and operating income increased by 7.5% and 4.6%, respectively. Real estate expenses remained essentially unchanged, increasing 0.4% during first quarter 2001. Occupancy rates decreased from 97.1% in the first quarter of 2000 to 94.9% in the first quarter of 2001.

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ITEM 2: MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

For the first quarter of 2001, WRIT's retail center revenues and operating income increased 6.1% and 8.7%, respectively, over the first quarter of 2000. These increases were primarily due to increased core portfolio revenues and operating income, offset in part by the February 2000 sale of Prince William Plaza and the August 2000 sale of Clairmont Center. Comparing those shopping centers owned by WRIT for the entire first quarter of 2000 and 2001, revenue and operating income increased by 9.3% and 10.8%, respectively. These increases were primarily due to increased rental rates and an increase in occupancy from 94.9% in the first quarter of 2000 to 96.0% in the first quarter of 2001. Operating income also increased due to a 2.6% decrease in real estate expenses during first quarter 2001, primarily as a result of the Prince William and Clairmont Center disposals.

OPERATING EXPENSES AND OTHER RESULTS OF OPERATIONS: Three Months Ended March 31,

2001 Compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2000

Real estate expenses increased \$0.9 million or 9.3% to \$10.2 million for the first quarter of 2001 as compared to \$9.4 million for the first quarter of 2000. This increase was primarily due to expenses relating to \$26.5 million of properties acquired in 2000, higher real estate taxes and a 5.9% increase in core portfolio operating expense, partially offset by the impact of the \$6.2

million of properties sold throughout 2000.

Depreciation and amortization expense increased \$0.8 million or 14.4% to \$6.2 million for the first quarter of 2001 as compared to \$5.4 million for the first quarter of 2000. This was primarily due to the impact of \$26.5 million of acquisitions throughout 2000, and 2000 and year to date 2001 capital and tenant improvement expenditures, which totaled \$16.3 million and \$3.2 million, respectively. This amount was partially offset by dispositions of \$6.2 million throughout 2000.

Total interest expense was \$6.7 million for the first quarter of 2001 as compared to \$6.1 million for the first quarter of 2000. This increase was primarily attributable to the issuance of \$55.0 of medium term notes in November 2000, net of interest savings on the line of credit borrowings paid off with the proceeds of this note. For the first quarter of 2001, notes payable interest expense was \$5.0 million, mortgage interest expense was \$1.6 million and lines of credit interest expense was \$0.1 million. For the first quarter of 2000, notes payable interest expense was \$3.9 million, mortgage interest expense was \$1.6 million and lines of credit interest expense was \$0.6 million.

General and administrative expenses decreased \$0.1 million to \$1.7 million for the first quarter of 2001 as compared to \$1.8 million for the first quarter of 2000. The change was primarily attributable to a reduction in compensation related expenses, principally related to changes in executive compensation structure, offset by the amortization of internal leasing commissions and overhead costs. For the first quarter of 2001, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of revenue were 4.7% as compared to 5.6% for the first quarter of 2000.

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WRIT has utilized the proceeds of share offerings, medium and long-term fixed interest rate debt, bank lines of credit and cash flow from operations for its capital needs. External sources of capital are available to WRIT from

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its existing unsecured credit commitments and management believes that additional sources of capital are available from the sale of additional shares, the sale of medium or long-term notes, the sale of property and/or through secured financing. The funds raised would be used to pay off any outstanding advances on the Trust's lines of credit and/or for new acquisitions and capital improvements.

On April 24, 2001, WRIT completed a public offering of 2,300,000 Shares of Beneficial Interest priced at \$22.15 per share. \$43.0 million of the \$48.2 million from the sale of the shares was used to repay the \$43.0 million borrowing related to the acquisition of One Central Plaza. On May 3, 2001, the underwriter exercised an over-allotment option to increase the offering by an additional 235,000 shares at \$22.15 per share. This additional sale closed on May 8, 2001 and resulted in net proceeds of \$4.9 million to the Trust.

WRIT anticipates that over the near term, recent and future interest rate increases will not have a material effect on earnings. WRIT's long-term fixed-rate notes payable have maturities ranging from August 2003 through February 2028 (see Note 6). None of the \$351.1 million total debt outstanding at March 31, 2001 was at a floating rate. WRIT estimates that a 200 basis point increase in interest rates would result in less than a 1.5% reduction in earnings.

WRIT has line of credit commitments in place from commercial banks for up to \$75 million which bear interest at an adjustable spread over LIBOR based on the Trust's interest coverage ratio and public debt rating. As of March 31, 2001, WRIT had \$0 outstanding under its lines of credit. WRIT acquired three improved properties and the land under Munson Hill Towers in 2000 and one property in 2001 (as of March 31) for total acquisition costs of \$26.5 million and \$1.5 million, respectively. The 2000 acquisitions were financed through line of credit advances and the use of the proceeds from the property sales in February 2000 and August 2000. The 2001 acquisition was funded through income from operations (see Note 8 for further acquisition discussion).

On April 21, 2001, WRIT acquired One Central Plaza for a purchase price of \$44.4 million. This 274,000 square foot office space was financed through a \$43.0 million advance on the unsecured lines of credit discussed in Note 5.

Cash flow from operating activities totaled \$13.7 million for the first three months of 2001, as a result of net income before gain on sale of real estate of \$10.7 million, depreciation and amortization of \$6.2 million, increases in other assets of \$1.6 million and decreases in liabilities (other than mortgage note, senior notes and lines of credit payable) of \$1.7 million. The majority of the increase in cash flow from operating activities was primarily due to increased rental rates and increased occupancies.

Net cash used in investing activities for the first three months of 2001 was \$3.7 million, including real estate acquisitions of \$1.5 million and capital improvements to real estate of \$2.1 million.

Net cash used in financing activities for the first three months of 2001 was \$11.3 million, principal repayments on the mortgage notes payable of \$0.2 million and \$11.2 million in dividends paid. Rental revenue has been the principal source of funds to pay WRIT's operating expenses, interest expense and dividends to shareholders.

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Management believes that WRIT has the liquidity and the capital resources necessary to meet all of its known obligations and to make additional property acquisitions and capital improvements when appropriate to enhance long-term growth.

The following table sets forth the Trust's ratios of earnings to fixed charges and debt service coverage for the periods shown:

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	Three months end March 31,		Ended Decemb	per 31,
	2001	2000	1999	1998
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Earnings to fixed charges	2.61x	2.63x	2.61x	3.01x
Debt service coverage				

 3.42x | 3.40x | 3.42x | 3.84x |Debt service coverage is computed by dividing income before gain on sale of real estate, interest income, interest expense, depreciation and amortization by the sum of interest expense plus mortgage principal amortization.

The ratios of earnings to fixed charges is computed by dividing earnings by fixed charges. For this purpose, earnings consist of income from continuing operations plus fixed charges. Fixed charges consist of interest expense, including interest costs capitalized, and the amortized costs of debt issuance.

ITEM 3: Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

The principal material financial market risk to which WRIT is exposed is interest rate risk. WRIT's exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to refinancing long-term fixed rate obligations, the opportunity cost of fixed rate obligations in a falling interest rate environment and its variable rate lines of credit. WRIT primarily enters into debt obligations to support general corporate purposes including acquisition of real estate properties, capital improvements and working capital needs. In the past, WRIT has used interest rate hedge agreements to hedge against rising interest rates in anticipation of refinancing or new debt issuance.

WRIT's interest rate risk has not changed significantly from its risk as disclosed in its 2000 Form 10-K.

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PART II

OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

None

Item 2. Changes in Securities

None

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

None

Item 5. Other Information

None

- Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K
 - (a) Exhibits
 - (12) Computation of Ratios
 - (b) Reports on Form 8-K
 - February 27, 2001 Report pursuant to Item 5 on the release of the Trust's December 31, 2000 earnings information.
 - 2. April 23, 2001 Report pursuant to Item 5 on the release of the Trust's March 31, 2001 earnings information.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has fully caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST

/s/ Larry E. Finger

Larry E. Finger, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

/s/ Laura M. Franklin

Laura M. Franklin, Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Corporate Secretary

Date: May 14, 2001

EXHIBIT 12

WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST

COMPUTATION OF RATIOS OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES AND PREFERRED DIVIDENDS

	Three months ended March 31, 2001	Year ended December 31, 2000
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Net earnings before loss (gain) on sale of real estate	10,728	\$41 , 572
Add back:		
Fixed charges	6 , 676	25 , 531
Deduct:		
Capitalized interest	0	0
Earnings available for fixed charges and preferred dividends	17,404	67,103
Fixed Charges		
Interest expense	6 , 676	25 , 531
Capitalized interest	0	0
Total fixed charges	6 , 676	25 , 531
Preferred dividends	0	0
Total fixed charges and preferred dividends	6 , 676	25,531
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Preferred Dividends	2.61	2.63

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