

CFO Commentary on Third Quarter Fiscal 2020 Results

Q3 Fiscal 2020 Summary

		GAAP			
(\$ in millions, except earnings per share)	Q3 FY20	Q2 FY20	Q3 FY19	Q/Q	Y/Y
Revenue	\$3,014	\$2,579	\$3,181	Up 17%	Down 5%
Gross margin	63.6%	59.8%	60.4%	Up 380 bps	Up 320 bps
Operating expenses	\$989	\$970	\$863	Up 2%	Up 15%
Operating income	\$927	\$571	\$1,058	Up 62%	Down 12%
Net income	\$899	\$552	\$1,230	Up 63%	Down 27%
Diluted earnings per share	\$1.45	\$0.90	\$1.97	Up 61%	Down 26%

Non-GAAP									
(\$ in millions, except earnings per share)	Q3 FY20	Q2 FY20	Q3 FY19	Q/Q	Y/Y				
Revenue	\$3,014	\$2,579	\$3,181	Up 17%	Down 5%				
Gross margin	64.1%	60.1%	61.0%	Up 400 bps	Up 310 bps				
Operating expenses	\$774	\$749	\$730	Up 3%	Up 6%				
Operating income	\$1,156	\$802	\$1,210	Up 44%	Down 4%				
Net income	\$1,103	\$762	\$1,151	Up 45%	Down 4%				
Diluted earnings per share	\$1.78	\$1.24	\$1.84	Up 44%	Down 3%				

Revenue by Reportable Segments										
(\$ in millions)	Q3 FY20	Q2 FY20	Q3 FY19	Q/Q	Y/Y					
GPU Business	\$2,565	\$2,104	\$2,774	Up 22%	Down 8%					
Tegra Processor Business	449	475	407	Down 5%	Up 10%					
Total	\$3,014	\$2,579	\$3,181	Up 17%	Down 5%					

Revenue by Market Platform									
(\$ in millions)	Q3 FY20	Q2 FY20	Q3 FY19	Q/Q	Y/Y				
Gaming	\$1,659	\$1,313	\$1,764	Up 26%	Down 6%				
Professional Visualization	324	291	305	Up 11%	Up 6%				
Data Center	726	655	792	Up 11%	Down 8%				
Automotive	162	209	172	Down 22%	Down 6%				
OEM and Other	143	111	148	Up 29%	Down 3%				
Total	\$3,014	\$2,579	\$3,181	Up 17%	Down 5%				

Revenue

Revenue was \$3.01 billion, down 5 percent from a year earlier and up 17 percent sequentially.

GPU business revenue was \$2.56 billion, down 8 percent from a year earlier and up 22 percent sequentially.

Tegra[™] Processor business revenue - which includes Automotive, SoC modules for gaming platforms, and embedded edge AI platforms - was \$449 million, up 10 percent from a year ago and down 5 percent sequentially.

From a market platforms perspective, Gaming revenue was \$1.66 billion, down 6 percent from a year ago and up 26 percent sequentially. The year-on-year decrease reflects lower sales of GeForce® desktop GPUs from the prior year, which included the launch of Turing-based GeForce GPUs, partially offset by growth in GeForce notebook GPUs and SoC modules for gaming platforms. The sequential increase reflects growth primarily from GeForce desktop and notebook GPUs.

Professional Visualization revenue was a record \$324 million, up 6 percent from a year earlier and up 11 percent sequentially. The year-on-year and sequential growth reflect strength in mobile workstation products.

Data Center revenue was \$726 million, down 8 percent from a year ago and up 11 percent sequentially. The year-on-year decline reflects lower enterprise revenue due to a different mix of products including lower DGX™ sales, partially offset by an increase in hyperscale demand. The sequential increase was driven by hyperscale demand.

Automotive revenue was \$162 million, down 6 percent from a year earlier and down 22 percent sequentially. The year-on-year decrease reflects lower revenue from legacy infotainment modules and autonomous vehicle solutions, partially offset by growth in AI cockpit solutions. The sequential decrease reflects a large non-recurring development services agreement closed in the prior quarter.

OEM and Other revenue was \$143 million, down 3 percent from a year ago and up 29 percent sequentially. The sequential increase was primarily due to growth in entry-level GPUs for notebook PCs.

Gross Margin

GAAP gross margin for the third quarter was 63.6 percent, up 320 basis points from a year earlier and up 380 basis points sequentially. The year-on-year and sequential increases are primarily driven by improved margins on GeForce GPUs for gaming reflecting the sale of previously written-off components and lower component costs. The sequential increase also reflects higher average selling prices for GeForce GPUs. Non-GAAP gross margin was 64.1 percent.

Expenses

GAAP operating expenses were \$989 million, including \$215 million in stock-based compensation and other charges, up 15 percent from a year earlier and up 2 percent sequentially. The year-on-year and sequential growth primarily reflect employee additions and increases in employee compensation and other related costs, including stock-based compensation and infrastructure costs. Non-GAAP operating expenses were \$774 million, up 6 percent from a year earlier and up 3 percent sequentially.

Operating Income

GAAP operating income was \$927 million, down 12 percent from a year earlier and up 62 percent sequentially. Non-GAAP operating income was \$1.16 billion, down 4 percent from a year earlier and up 44 percent sequentially.

Other Income & Expense and Income Tax

GAAP									
(\$ in millions)	Q3 FY20	Q2 FY20	Q3 FY19						
Interest income	\$45	\$47	\$37						
Interest expense	(13)	(13)	(15)						
Other, net		1	1						
Total	\$32	\$35	\$23						

Non-GAAP										
(\$ in millions)	Q2 FY20	Q3 FY19								
Interest income	\$45	\$47	\$37							
Interest expense	(12)	(13)	(15)							
Other, net		1	(1)							
Total	\$33	\$35	\$21							

GAAP other income and expense, or OI&E, includes interest earned on cash and investments, interest expense associated with corporate bonds, and other gains and losses. Non-GAAP OI&E excludes the portion of interest expense from the amortization of the debt discount and the gains or losses from certain investments.

GAAP effective tax rate was 6.3 percent, inclusive of excess tax benefits related to stock-based compensation. Non-GAAP effective tax rate was 7.3 percent.

Net Income and EPS

GAAP net income was \$899 million and non-GAAP net income was \$1.10 billion. GAAP earnings per diluted share were \$1.45, down 26 percent from a year earlier and up 61 percent sequentially. The year-on-year decrease reflects lower revenue and higher operating expenses. The sequential increase primarily reflects higher revenue and gross margin. Non-GAAP earnings per diluted share were \$1.78, down 3 percent from a year earlier and up 44 percent sequentially.

Capital Return

Capital Return										
(in millions)	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	YTD FY20		
Dividends	\$47	\$181	\$186	\$213	\$261	\$341	\$371	\$292		
Share repurchases:										
\$	\$100	\$887	\$814	\$587	\$739	\$909	\$1,578	\$		
Shares	8	62	44	25	15	6	9			

We will return to repurchasing our stock after closing the acquisition of Mellanox Technologies, Ltd. Although discussions with the European Union and China regulatory bodies are progressing and closing the acquisition is possible by the end of this calendar year, we believe the closing will likely occur in the early part of calendar 2020.

Balance Sheet and Cash Flow

Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities at the end of the third quarter were \$9.77 billion, up from \$8.47 billion in the prior quarter. This increase primarily reflects growth in operating cash flow.

Accounts receivable at the end of the quarter was \$1.46 billion compared with \$1.56 billion in the prior quarter and \$2.22 billion a year earlier. DSO at quarter-end was 44 days, down from 55 days in the prior quarter and down from 63 days a year earlier.

Inventory at the end of the quarter was \$1.05 billion, down from \$1.20 billion in the prior quarter and down from \$1.42 billion a year earlier. Outstanding inventory purchase obligations at the end of the quarter were \$980 million, up from \$757 million in the prior quarter and down from \$1.56 billion a year earlier. DSI at quarter-end was 87 days, down from 106 days in the prior quarter and down from 102 days a year earlier.

Cash flow from operating activities was a record \$1.64 billion in the third quarter, up from \$936 million in the prior quarter, and up from \$487 million a year earlier. The sequential increase reflects growth in operating income and changes in working capital driven by a reduction in DSO. The year-on-year increase reflects change in working capital driven by a reduction in DSO and timing of inventory purchases.

Free cash flow was \$1.54 billion in the third quarter, compared with \$823 million in the previous quarter and \$337 million a year earlier.

Depreciation and amortization expense amounted to \$92 million for the third quarter. Capital expenditures were \$104 million for the third quarter.

Fourth Quarter of Fiscal 2020 Outlook

Our outlook for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020 does not include any contribution from the pending acquisition of Mellanox and is as follows:

- Revenue is expected to be \$2.95 billion, plus or minus 2 percent. We expect strong sequential growth
 in Data Center, offset by a seasonal decline in GeForce notebook GPUs and SoC modules for gaming
 platforms.
- GAAP and non-GAAP gross margins are expected to be 64.1 percent and 64.5 percent, respectively, plus or minus 50 basis points.
- GAAP and non-GAAP operating expenses are expected to be approximately \$1.02 billion and \$805 million, respectively.
- GAAP and non-GAAP other income and expense are both expected to be income of approximately \$25 million.
- GAAP and non-GAAP tax rates are both expected to be 9 percent, plus or minus 1 percent, excluding any discrete items. GAAP discrete items include excess tax benefits or deficiencies related to stock-based compensation, which are expected to generate variability on a quarter by quarter basis.
- Capital expenditures are expected to be approximately \$130 million to \$150 million.

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Non-GAAP Measures

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Certain statements in this CFO Commentary including, but not limited to, statements as to: NVIDIA returning to repurchasing our stock after closing the acquisition of Mellanox; the status of the regulatory approval process and the timing of closing for the Mellanox acquisition; our financial outlook for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020; our expectation of strong sequential growth in Data Center, offset by a seasonal decline in notebook and SoC modules for gaming platforms, in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020; our expected tax rates for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020; our expectation to generate variability from excess tax benefits or deficiencies; and our expected capital expenditures for the fourth guarter of fiscal 2020 are forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause results to be materially different than expectations. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially include: global economic conditions; our reliance on third parties to manufacture, assemble, package and test our products; the impact of technological development and competition; development of new products and technologies or enhancements to our existing product and technologies; market acceptance of our products or our partners' products; design, manufacturing or software defects; changes in consumer preferences or demands; changes in industry standards and interfaces; unexpected loss of performance of our products or technologies when integrated into systems; as well as other factors detailed from time to time in the most recent reports NVIDIA files with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, including, but not limited to, its annual report on Form 10-K and guarterly reports on Form 10-Q. Copies of reports filed with the SEC are posted on the company's website and are available from NVIDIA without charge. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and speak only as of the date hereof, and, except as required by law, NVIDIA disclaims any obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect future events or circumstances.

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NVIDIA CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

(In millions, except per share data)
(Unaudited)

		Thr	ee N	onths En	ded			Nine Months Ended				
	Oc:	tober 27,		July 28,	Oct	ober 28,	Oc	tober 27,	Oc	tober 28,		
		2019		2019		2018		2019		2018		
GAAP gross profit	\$	1,916	\$	1,541	\$	1,921	\$	4,753	\$	5,964		
GAAP gross margin		63.6%		59.8%		60.4%		60.8%		62.7%		
Stock-based compensation expense (A)		15		8		5		27		21		
Legal settlement costs		_		2		14		11		14		
Non-GAAP gross profit	\$	1,931	\$	1,551	\$	1,940	\$	4,791	\$	5,999		
Non-GAAP gross margin		64.1%		60.1%		61.0%		61.3%		63.1%		
GAAP operating expenses	\$	989	\$	970	\$	863	\$	2,897	\$	2,454		
Stock-based compensation expense (A)		(208)	_	(216)	_	(135)	_	(597)		(379)		
Acquisition-related and other costs		(7)		(5)		(1)		(22)		(5)		
Legal settlement costs		_		_		(1)		(2)		(3)		
Restructuring and other		_		_		4		_		4		
Non-GAAP operating expenses	\$	774	\$	749	\$	730	\$	2,276	\$	2,071		
GAAP income from operations	\$	927	\$	571	\$	1,058	\$	1,856	\$	3,510		
Total impact of non-GAAP adjustments to income from operations		229		231		152		659		418		
Non-GAAP income from operations	\$	1,156	\$	802	\$	1,210	\$	2,515	\$	3,928		
GAAP other income (expense)	\$	32	\$	35	\$	23	\$	98	\$	62		
Losses (Gains) from non-affiliated investments		_		_		(2)		1		(11)		
Interest expense related to amortization of debt discount		1		_		_		1		1		
Non-GAAP other income (expense)	\$	33	\$	35	\$	21	\$	100	\$	52		
GAAP net income	\$	899	\$	552	\$	1,230	\$	1,845	\$	3,575		
Total pre-tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments		230		231		150		660		409		
Income tax impact of non-GAAP adjustments (B)		(26)		(21)		(91)		(97)		(199)		
Tax benefit from income tax reform		_		_		(138)		_		(138)		
Non-GAAP net income	\$	1,103	\$	762	\$	1,151	\$	2,408	\$	3,647		

Three Months Ended						Nine Months Ended			
October 27,		July 28,		October 28,		October 27,		Oc	tober 28,
:	2019		2019		2018		2019		2018
\$	1.45	\$	0.90	\$	1.97	\$	2.99	\$	5.71
\$	1.78	\$	1.24	\$	1.84	\$	3.90	\$	5.83
	618		616		625		617		626
\$	1,640	\$	936	\$	487	\$	3,296	\$	2,845
	(104)		(113)		(150)		(344)		(397)
\$	1,536	\$	823	\$	337	\$	2,952	\$	2,448
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(A) Stock-based compensation consists of th		Ū	ee	Months En	ded			Nine Mont	hs E	nded
	Octo	ber 27,		July 28,	00	tober 28,	Oc	tober 27,	Oct	ober 28,
	2	019		2019		2018		2019		2018
Cost of revenue	\$	15	\$	8	\$	5	\$	27	\$	21
Research and development	\$	141	\$	145	\$	88	\$	400	\$	237
Sales, general and administrative	\$	67	\$	71	\$	47	\$	197	\$	142
(B) Income tax impact of non-GAAP adjustmento stock-based compensation under GAAP ad							nefit	s or deficie	ncie	s related

NVIDIA CORPORATION RECONCILIATION OF GAAP TO NON-GAAP OUTLOOK

	Q4 F	Y2020 Outlook
GAAP gross margin		64.1%
Impact of stock-based compensation expense		0.4%
Non-GAAP gross margin		64.5%
	Q4 F	Y2020 Outlook
	(1	n millions)
GAAP operating expenses	\$	1,015
Stock-based compensation expense, acquisition-related costs, and other costs		(210)
Non-GAAP operating expenses	\$	805