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À maior firma de software do mundo fez um lucro líquido de 6,624 bilhões de dólares, contra 6,634 bilhões de dólares para o seu segundo trimestre do último ano.

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As receitas aumentaram 5% para 20,89 bilhões de délares, levemente abaixo das expectativas de alguns analistas.

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Um controle de custos mais apertado e uma redução continuada de perdas com a ferramenta de pesquisa Bing ajudou a impulsionar os dados, ele disse.

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Mas o Windows está enfrentando a competição vinda da crescimento dos "tablets" como por exemplo o iPad da Apple e os celulares usando o sistema Android do Google.

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Contudo, a Microsoft está batendo de volta com a distribuição do Windows 8, um sistema operacional para PCs e celulares.

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O chefe encoutivo da Microsoft, Steve Ballmer, disse em um pronunciamento: "Nos entregamos resultados financeiros sólidos, da mesma forma que nós preparemos um lançamento para o ano que acelerará muitos de nossos produtos e serviços chaves.

During the quarter the Windows and Windows Live division posted revenue of \$4.74bn, a 6% fall on the previous year.

Durante o trimestre a divisão do Windows e do Windows Livo postou receita de 4,74 bilhões de dólares, 6% abaixo do que o previsto para o ano.

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A divisão de Entretenimente e Aparelhos viu um agudo aumento de receita, subiu 15% para 4,24 bilhões de dólares.