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Barclays PLC Announces Leverage Plan

Introduction

On 20 June 2013 the Prudential Regulation Authority announced the results of its review of the capital adequacy of major UK banks and building societies. As part of its review, the PRA introduced a 3% Leverage Ratio target, calculated on a PRA-adjusted CET1 capital base and using a CRD IV leverage exposure measure. As at 30 June 2013, Barclays' PRA Leverage Ratio was 2.2%, representing a gap of £12.8 billion.

In order to achieve the PRA 3% Leverage Ratio target by June 2014, Barclays today announces a series of actions, including an underwritten Rights Issue, measures to reduce Barclays' CRD IV leverage exposure, and the continued execution of Barclays' capital plan with the issuance of CRD IV qualifying Additional Tier 1 securities. More detailed information is set out below.

Rights Issue

Barclays PLC today announces its intention to raise approximately £5.8 billion (net of expenses) by way of a Rights Issue of one New Ordinary Share for every four Existing Ordinary Shares at an Issue Price of 185 pence per New Ordinary Share. This represents a discount of approximately 40.1% to the closing price on the London Stock Exchange of 309.05 pence per Ordinary Share on 29 July 2013 (being the last Business Day prior to the release of this announcement) and a discount of approximately 34.9% to the theoretical ex-rights price based on the Closing Price.

Barclays Investment Bank is acting as global co-ordinator for the Rights Issue. The Rights Issue has been underwritten by a syndicate of banks comprising Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, BofA Merrill Lynch and Citi. Further details of the Rights Issue are set out in Appendix 2 of this announcement.

After careful consideration of the options to meet the PRA request for a 3% leverage ratio by June 2014, the Board has decided on a set of actions, including the rights issue, to meet this target, whilst continuing to deliver our strategy under the Transform programme. The PRA has agreed and welcomes our plan.

As a result we expect Barclays to be in an even stronger capital position, allowing us to increase the dividend payout ratio ahead of the original Transform target.

The Board expects that Barclays will continue to reduce leverage further, whilst maintaining target capital levels, and will aim to do so in a way that achieves sustainable returns above the cost of equity.

Sir David Walker, Chairman

We remain committed to the objectives set out in the Transform programme to achieve our goal of becoming the Go-To bank. Just five months into our plan I believe we are building good momentum.

As a consequence of the PRA's review we have had to modify our capital plans, in order to meet the 3% leverage ratio target by June 2014.

After careful consideration of the options, the Board and I have determined that Barclays should respond quickly and decisively to meet this new target. We have developed a bold but balanced plan to do so.

The plan is a combination of: a rights issue; prudent reduction of our leverage exposure; issuance of additional tier 1 securities; and the retention of earnings and other forms of capital accretion. We believe this represents the right combination to meet the PRA's leverage target. It also enables us to maintain our planned lending growth and broader support of our customers and clients.

The Board and I are aware of the implications of a rights issue for shareholders. We hope to balance this with reduced uncertainty in the outlook for Barclays and with enhancement of our dividend payout from 2014.

Five of our six Transform financial targets remain unchanged, or have accelerated timescales. There is a modest delay in the RoE target as a consequence of these plans. However, we believe Barclays will be stronger for taking decisive action today.

Antony Jenkins, Chief Executive

Background to and Rationale for the Rights Issue

On 20 June 2013 the Prudential Regulation Authority announced the results of its review of the capital adequacy of major UK banks and building societies. Barclays confirmed at the time that it expected to meet the PRA's target for an adjusted 7% Fully Loaded CET1 ratio by December 2013 through planned balance sheet actions and retained earnings generation. This expectation has not changed.

As part of its recent review, the PRA also introduced a 3% leverage ratio target, calculated on a PRA-adjusted CET1 capital base and using a CRD IV leverage exposure measure. Applying this measure to Barclays' previous capital plan, it estimated a PRA Leverage Ratio for Barclays of 2.5%. Barclays discussed a number of options with the PRA to meet the 3% PRA Leverage Ratio target, following which Barclays was asked to submit a plan to achieve the target by 30 June 2014.

The Transform programme, announced by Barclays on 12 February 2013 and representing the Company's strategy over the medium term, assumed risk-based capital measures as the primary variable. It nonetheless was expected to achieve a leverage ratio of 3% ahead of the anticipated CRD IV deadline.

Barclays reported today CRD IV leverage ratios as at 30 June 2013 of 3.1% and 2.5%, using CRD IV transitional and fully loaded calculations respectively. The fully loaded figure is down from 2.8% as at the end of December 2012, calculated on a £1,413 billion CRD IV leverage exposure compared to £1,559 billion at 30 June 2013. This increase in leverage exposure arises principally from changes to the calculation methodology following publication of the final CRD IV text on 26 June 2013 and other refinements, totalling £85 billion net. The remaining increase of £61 billion includes seasonal movements in settlement balances and other assets.

In calculating the PRA Leverage Ratio, Barclays has applied PRA adjustments of £4.1 billion to fully loaded CRD IV CET1 capital. This adjustment has reduced from the figure of £8.6 billion used by the PRA in its review, principally through taking account of Conduct Provisions and a reduced impact of prudential valuation adjustments.

These adjustments bring the total calculated gap to £12.8 billion, or a PRA Leverage Ratio of 2.2%. Further details are set out in the following table.

Estimated CRD IV Leverage Ratio and PRA Leverage Ratio

£bn	FY 12 Pillar 3	Revised CRD IV & other refinements	FY 12 revised estimate	H1 13 movements	H1 13
Total assets (IFRS balance sheet)	1,490	(2)	1,488	45	1,533
CRD IV exposure measure adjustments	(77)	87	10	16	26
Fully loaded CRD IV leverage exposure measure	1,413	85	1,498	61	1,559
CRD IV fully loaded Tier 1 capital	40.0	(2.5)	37.5	0.8	38.3
CRD IV fully loaded leverage	2.8%	(0.3%)	2.5%		2.5%
CRD IV fully loaded CET1 capital	39.8	(2.5)	37.3	0.8	38.1
PRA CET1 adjustments					(4.1)
PRA adjusted fully loaded CET 1 capital					34.0
PRA Leverage Ratio					2.2%
CET1 capital gap to 3% PRA leverage target					12.8
Leverage exposure gap to 3% PRA leverage target					427

Barclays has agreed with the PRA to take the following leverage exposure and capital management actions to meet the PRA Leverage Ratio target:

Raise approximately £5.8 billion, net of expenses, through the underwritten Rights Issue announced today; and

Take further capital, or capital equivalent, actions through a combination of the following:

Reduce CRD IV leverage exposure by £65-80 billion to approximately £1.5 trillion (equal to approximately £2-2.5 billion of capital) through low execution risk management actions which have already been identified by the Board;

Raise up to £2 billion of CRD IV qualifying Additional Tier 1 securities with a 7% Fully Loaded CET1 trigger, which the PRA has confirmed can be used in the PRA Leverage Ratio calculation; and

Retention of earnings and other forms of capital accretion. As a result of the Conduct Provisions announced today, the Board believes that Barclays has further strengthened its ability to retain earnings and to generate capital going forward.

Execution of the Leverage Plan is expected to result in Barclays PRA Leverage Ratio being above 3% by June 2014.

Barclays considered a range of alternative plans to meet the 3% PRA Leverage Ratio by June 2014, including through accelerated asset reductions. Meeting this target through reducing leverage exposure alone would have required approximately £427 billion of reductions. The Board determined that such actions in that timeframe would have a damaging effect on Barclays' business franchises and would be subject to significant execution risk. In addition, such actions would negatively impact Barclays' commitment and desire to support lending to customers and clients.

Barclays will continue to analyse and scrutinise its balance sheet for additional opportunities to further reduce leverage exposure beyond 2014 over and above the original Transform plans. Barclays expects to update the market on its progress in due course.

Alongside implementation of the Leverage Plan, Barclays will look to manage the trade-off between the benefits of holding additional capital and implementing measures to improve return on equity, as our ability to deploy capital in higher return areas improves.

Transform Programme Impacts

Given the introduction of the PRA Leverage Ratio, the Board has assessed the impact of the Leverage Plan on Transform and has concluded that the programme can still achieve its objectives over time. The Board believes that the Leverage Plan will not significantly affect the Group's strategy as the underlying businesses remain fundamentally strong and resilient. The Board also believes that the Leverage Plan will place Barclays in a stronger position to achieve its Transform targets and objectives in the new regulatory environment.

The Transform programme is underpinned by six financial targets, described in the table below. Three of these are directly impacted as a consequence of the Leverage Plan:

1. *Return on Equity* – an important objective of the Transform programme is to generate a sustainable return on equity above the cost of equity. Barclays is now targeting that its RoE will exceed CoE in the course of 2016, rather than in 2015, as a consequence of its limited ability to deploy the capital raised through the Leverage Plan in higher return areas. Notwithstanding this expectation, Barclays will continue to assess further actions to accelerate and increase its RoE.
2. *Dividends* – Barclays announced today a second interim dividend of 1.0 pence per Ordinary Share. Notwithstanding the Rights Issue, Barclays anticipates maintaining a dividend payout for the remainder of 2013 at the same level per share as that for 2012. The Board expects that the combination of capital generation through retention of earnings and execution of the Leverage Plan will result in significantly higher levels of capital by December 2015. Accordingly, subject to meeting applicable minimum regulatory requirements, the Board expects to adopt a 40-50% dividend payout policy from 2014. This policy would represent a higher rate of payout and would apply a year earlier than the original Transform schedule.
3. *Fully Loaded Common Equity Tier 1* – Barclays reported today an estimated Fully Loaded CET1 ratio of 8.1% as at 30 June 2013; adjusted for the Rights Issue this is equivalent to 9.3%. The Board expects this ratio to increase during the second half of 2013, with an accelerated achievement of the target 10.5% Fully Loaded CET1 ratio early in 2015.

The remaining Transform financial targets are unaffected, with progress being made on each.

	Original Target for 2015	Revised Target
Return on Equity	RoE>CoE	RoE>CoE in the course of 2016
Cost / Income Ratio	Mid-50 s	No change
CRD IV Risk Weighted Assets	£440bn	No change
Dividend Payout Ratio	30%	40-50% from 2014
Operating Expenses (excl. Costs to Achieve Transform)	£16.8bn	No change
Common Equity Tier 1 Ratio	Transitional CET1 ratio >10.5%	Fully Loaded CET1 ratio >10.5% early in 2015

Further Information on the Leverage Plan

The Board has concluded that the Leverage Plan provides the best way of balancing the interests of Barclays' investors, customers and clients with the objective of meeting the PRA Leverage Ratio target by June 2014.

Reduction of Leverage Exposure

The Leverage Plan includes £65-80 billion of reduction (approximately £2-2.5 billion capital equivalent) in Barclays' expected CRD IV leverage exposure, through a series of low execution risk management actions that have already been identified by the Board. These actions are not expected to have a material impact on revenues or profit before tax.

Planned CRD IV Leverage Exposure Actions (as at June 2013)	(£bn)
Potential Future Exposure on derivatives	30-35
Securities Financing Transactions	20-25
Liquidity pool assets	15-20
Planned Reduction	65-80

Barclays will continue to analyse the Group's balance sheet with the objective of identifying opportunities to reduce further its expected CRD IV leverage exposure.

Additional Tier 1 Issuance

Barclays announced in late 2012 its intention to issue 2% of risk weighted assets in contingent capital to meet its end state CRD IV capital structure, comprising 0.5% of Tier 2 and 1.5% of AT1. The PRA has confirmed that CRD IV-compliant AT1 with a 7% Fully Loaded CET1 trigger will satisfy both the PRA's capital and leverage ratio requirements. Barclays therefore expects to raise up to £2 billion of such AT1 securities by June 2014, in accordance with its existing capital plan. The 7% trigger for Barclays' existing contingent capital securities will, in accordance with their terms, continue to be calculated on a basis that takes into account the PRA's interpretation of the transitional provisions under CRD IV. Barclays reported today an estimated Transitional CRD IV CET1 ratio of 10.0% as at 30 June 2013; adjusted for the Rights Issue this is equivalent to 11.3%.

Retained Earnings and Other Forms of Capital Accretion

Barclays today announced £2 billion of additional Conduct Provisions, with remaining provisions for both these items totalling £3 billion as at 30 June 2013. Barclays' ability to generate retained earnings remains strong and the Board plans further capital accretive actions, leaving the Group well placed to convert operating profits into capital.

Barclays Interim Results have been released today and will be available on Barclays website at www.barclays.com/investorrelations. A briefing webcast on the Interim Results at 9.30 am on BST today (30 July 2013) will also be available at www.barclays.com/investorrelations and a live conference call facility can be accessed by dialling (0)845-401-0014 (UK) or +44 (0)203-059-8116 (all other locations) and quoting Barclays .

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1**Estimated CRD IV Leverage Ratio and PRA Leverage Ratio**

The table below sets out a reconciliation between reported CRD IV leverage ratios and the PRA Leverage Ratio.

£bn	FY 12 Pillar 3	Revised CRD IV & other refinements	FY 12 revised estimate	H1 13 movements	H1 13
Derivative financial assets	469		469	(66)	403
Reverse repo and other similar secured lending	177		177	46	223
Loans and advances and other assets	844	(2)	842	65	907
Total assets (IFRS balance sheet)	1,490	(2)	1,488	45	1,533
<i>Derivatives netting adjustment</i>	<i>(390)</i>		<i>(390)</i>	<i>66</i>	<i>(324)</i>
<i>Potential future exposure (PFE) add-on</i>	<i>161</i>	<i>126</i>	<i>287</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>308</i>
<i>SFT adjustments</i>	<i>(5)</i>	<i>(53)</i>	<i>(58)</i>	<i>(72)</i>	<i>(130)</i>
<i>Undrawn commitments</i>	<i>179</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>187</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>190</i>
<i>Regulatory deductions & other adj.</i>	<i>(22)</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>(16)</i>	<i>(2)</i>	<i>(18)</i>
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CRD IV fully loaded leverage	2.8%	(0.3%)	2.5%		2.5%
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<i>Additional Prudential Value Adjustment</i>					<i>(2.1)</i>
<i>Other valuation adjustments</i>					<i>(2.0)</i>
PRA CET1 adjustments					(4.1)
PRA adjusted fully loaded CET 1 capital					34.0
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<i>Notes on exposure measure adjustments</i>					

Derivatives netting adjustment: Regulatory netting applied across asset and liability mark-to-market derivative positions, pursuant to legally enforceable bilateral netting agreements and otherwise meeting the requirements set out in CRD IV.

Potential Future Exposure (PFE) add-on: Regulatory add-on for potential future credit exposure on both exchange-traded and OTC derivative contracts, calculated by assigning a standardised percentage (based on underlying risk category and residual trade maturity) to the gross notional value of each contract. The PFE measure recognises some netting benefits where legally enforceable bilateral netting agreements are in place, but these are floored at 40% of gross PFE by netting set, regardless of whether a positive or negative mark-to-market exists at the individual trade level. Identified low risk management actions to reduce PFE add-ons are expected through improved application of existing legal netting agreements and further data quality enhancements.

Securities Financing Transactions (SFT) adjustments: Under CRD IV the IFRS exposure measure for SFTs (e.g. repo/reverse repo) is replaced with the Financial Collateral Comprehensive Method (FCCM) measure. FCCM is calculated as exposure less collateral, taking into account legally enforceable master netting agreements, with standardised adjustments to both sides of the trade for volatility and currency mismatches. Identified low risk management actions to reduce SFT leverage exposure under CRD IV are expected through improvements in the application of collateral and enhanced trade and counterparty data.

Undrawn Commitments: Regulatory add-on relating to off balance sheet undrawn commitments based on a credit conversion factor of 10% for unconditionally cancellable commitments and 100% for other commitments. The rules specify additional relief to be applied to trade finance related undrawn commitments which are medium/low risk (20%) and medium risk (50%). For Barclays, this relief is not estimated to be material.

Appendix 2

Details of the Rights Issue

Introduction

As explained above, Barclays PLC intends to raise approximately £5.8 billion (net of expenses) by way of a Rights Issue of one New Ordinary Share for every four Existing Ordinary Shares at an Issue Price of 185 pence per New Ordinary Share. This represents a discount of approximately 40.1% to the Closing Price and a discount of approximately 34.9% to the theoretical ex-rights price based on the Closing Price. As at the date of this announcement, the Rights Issue has been underwritten by Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, BofA Merrill Lynch and Citi on the terms set out in the Underwriting Agreement, details of which are set out below.

The Rights Issue is expected to be launched in September 2013, subject to and following the approval of the Prospectus by the UKLA and the filing of the US Prospectus with the SEC, and will be implemented pursuant to authorities granted by the Company's shareholders at its 2013 Annual General Meeting. Barclays will also take steps to enable holders of Barclays ADSs to participate in the Rights Issue.

The New Ordinary Shares will not be issued in time to receive the second interim dividend of one pence per Existing Ordinary Share announced today and to be paid on 13 September 2013 but will rank equally with other Ordinary Shares in respect of dividends from the date of issue. Ordinary Shares issued to participants in the new Scrip Dividend Programme who elect to receive all or any part of their entitlement to the second interim dividend in Ordinary Shares will be issued prior to the Record Date for the Rights Issue and will therefore be eligible to participate in the Rights Issue.

Based on the existing issued Ordinary Share capital of Barclays as at 29 July 2013 (being the last Business Day prior to the release of this announcement), completion of the Rights Issue would result in approximately 3,216,893,546 New Ordinary Shares being issued, representing approximately 25% of the existing issued Ordinary Share capital of Barclays and 20% of the Enlarged Ordinary Share Capital. Qualifying Shareholders who take up their pro rata entitlement in full will suffer no dilution to their interests in the Company. If a Qualifying Shareholder does not take up his/her entitlement in full, the Rights Issue will be dilutive to that Qualifying Shareholder.

Conditions to the Rights Issue

The Rights Issue is conditional upon:

the Underwriting Agreement having become unconditional in all respects save for the conditions relating to Admission and not having been terminated in accordance with its terms; and

Admission becoming effective by no later than 8.00 a.m. (London time) on 3 October 2013 or, in certain circumstances, 7 November 2013.

The Roles of the Banks and the Potential for Additional Underwriters and Sub-underwriters

Barclays Investment Bank is acting as global co-ordinator and Credit Suisse as sponsor for the Rights Issue. Barclays Investment Bank, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, BofA Merrill Lynch and Citi are acting as joint bookrunners for the Rights Issue. The Rights Issue has been underwritten by the Initial Underwriters on the terms of the Underwriting Agreement.

The Underwriting Agreement (further details of which are set out below) provides that further principal underwriting banks may, at the Company's election, be brought into the syndicate of banks prior to the publication of the Prospectus. In addition, further institutions (including existing Shareholders) may be invited to become sub-underwriters in due course. Any sub-underwriters are expected to be paid a commission in the region of 0.8% of the aggregate proceeds of the Rights Issue in respect of the Ordinary Shares so sub-underwritten.

The sub-underwriting commission will be deducted from the commissions paid to the Underwriters.

Principal terms of the Underwriting Agreement

Pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement, the Initial Underwriters have severally (not jointly and severally) agreed to procure subscribers for the New Ordinary Shares or, failing which, themselves subscribe for the Underwritten Shares not taken up under the Rights Issue or in respect of which subscribers are not procured, in each case in pounds sterling at the Issue Price.

In consideration of their services under the Underwriting Agreement, and subject to their obligations under the Underwriting Agreement having become unconditional and the Underwriting Agreement not having been terminated in accordance with its terms prior to Admission, an aggregate underwriting commission of 1.7% of the aggregate proceeds of the Rights Issue in respect of the Underwritten Shares shall be payable to the Initial Underwriters. Such amount shall be reduced by any underwriting commission payable to the Additional Underwriters at a rate of 1.5% of the portion of the proceeds of the Rights Issue in respect of the Underwritten Shares which are underwritten by the Additional Underwriters. In each case, the respective commissions shall be apportioned between the Initial Underwriters and the Additional Underwriters in proportion to their underwriting commitments. In addition, certain other fees will be paid to some of the Banks. Further details are set out in the paragraph entitled "Fees and Commissions" below.

The Company shall pay (whether or not the Underwriters' obligations under the Underwriting Agreement become unconditional) all costs and expenses arising in connection with the Rights Issue, the allotment and issue of the New Ordinary Shares, Admission and the Underwriting Agreement, including customary professional services fees and other out-of-pocket expenses.

The obligations of the Underwriters under the Underwriting Agreement are subject to certain conditions including, amongst others:

Admission occurring by not later than 8.00 a.m. (London time) on 3 October 2013 or, in certain circumstances, 7 November 2013;

each condition to enable the Nil Paid Rights and the Fully Paid Rights to be admitted as a participating security in CREST (other than Admission);

the fulfilment by the Company of its obligations under the Underwriting Agreement which fall to be performed prior to Admission and which are material;

before Admission there being no breach by the Company of the representations and warranties given in the Underwriting Agreement;

the US Registration Statement having been filed with the SEC and having become effective no later than 11.59 p.m. (London time) on the date of the publication of the Prospectus;

in the opinion of the Initial Underwriters, acting in good faith, there having not been a material adverse change since the date of the Underwriting Agreement, as a result of which it is impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with Admission, the Rights Issue or the underwriting of the Underwritten Shares.

The Initial Underwriters may terminate the Underwriting Agreement prior to Admission in certain circumstances including (without limitation) for material adverse change and force majeure. For the avoidance of doubt, the Underwriting Agreement cannot be terminated after Admission.

The Company has given certain customary representations, warranties and indemnities to the Banks.

If an entitlement to New Ordinary Shares is not validly taken up, then that provisional allotment shall be deemed to have been declined and will lapse. The Underwriters will severally use reasonable endeavours to procure subscribers for all (or as many as possible) of those New Ordinary Shares not taken up. If a premium over the total of the Issue Price (in pounds sterling) and the expenses of procuring such subscribers (including any applicable brokerage and commissions and amounts in respect of value added tax which are not recoverable) can be obtained, any such premium shall be paid to those persons with entitlements to the New Ordinary Shares at the time they lapsed. However, amounts of less than £5 per holding will not be paid but will be aggregated and retained for the benefit of the Company.

The Underwriters may cease to use their reasonable endeavours to procure subscribers if, in their opinion, it is unlikely that any such subscribers can be procured at the requisite price and within the relevant time frame. If and to the extent that any such subscribers cannot be procured on this basis, those Underwritten Shares not taken up will be acquired by the Underwriters in accordance with the Underwriting Agreement or by any sub-underwriters, in each case, at the Issue Price (in pounds sterling).

Fees and Commissions

Fee/Commission	Recipient	Amount
Initial Underwriter Commission	The Initial Underwriters	An aggregate of 1.7% of the Gross Underwritten Proceeds less any amount payable to the Additional Underwriters
Additional Underwriter Commission	The Additional Underwriters	An aggregate of 1.5% of the product of the Issue Price and the aggregate number of Underwritten Shares which are underwritten by the Additional Underwriters
Global Co-ordinator Fee	Barclays Investment Bank, as global co-ordinator	0.1% of the Gross Underwritten Proceeds
Broking Fee	Credit Suisse and Deutsche Bank, as joint brokers	£446,344 each
Sponsor Fee	Credit Suisse	£1,553,656
Sub-underwriter Commission	The sub-underwriters	In the region of 0.8% of the product of the Issue Price and the aggregate number of Ordinary Shares sub-underwritten (to be deducted from the commissions paid to the Underwriters)

A weekly ticking fee may be payable to the Underwriters if Admission occurs after 3 October 2013.

The full terms and conditions of the Rights Issue will be set out in the Prospectus, which is expected to be published in September 2013. In the United States, the Rights Issue will be made pursuant to the US Prospectus, which is expected to be filed with the SEC on or around the date of the Prospectus.

Appendix 3

Definitions

The definitions set out below apply throughout this announcement unless the context otherwise requires:

£	the lawful currency of the United Kingdom
\$	the lawful currency of the United States
Additional Underwriters	any additional underwriters who accede to the Underwriting Agreement following the date of this announcement
Admission	the admission of the New Ordinary Shares (nil paid and fully paid) to the Official List of the FCA becoming effective in accordance with the Listing Rules and the admission of such shares (nil paid and fully paid) to trading on the London Stock Exchange's main market for listed securities
ADS	an American Depositary Share representing four Ordinary Shares, listed on the NYSE
AT1 or Additional Tier 1	additional tier 1 securities which meet the requirements of Article 52 of CRD IV
Banks	Barclays Investment Bank, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, Citi and BofA Merrill Lynch
Barclays Investment Bank	Barclays Bank PLC, in its capacity as global co-ordinator and/or joint bookrunner, as the context requires
Board	the board of Directors of the Company
BofA Merrill Lynch	Merrill Lynch International, a subsidiary of Bank of America Corporation
Business Day	any day on which banks are generally open in England and Wales for the transaction of business, other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday
CET1 or CRD IV CET1	common equity tier 1 capital, calculated under CRD IV
Citi	Citigroup Global Markets Limited

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Closing Price	309.05 pence per Ordinary Share, being the closing middle market price on the London Stock Exchange on 29 July 2013 (being the last Business Day prior to the release of this announcement)
CoE	cost of equity
Company and Barclays	Barclays PLC
Conduct Provisions	further provisions announced on 30 Jun 2013 relating to payment protection insurance redress and interest rate hedging products redress
CRD IV	the legislative package consisting of Directive 2013/36/EU on the access to the activity of credit institutions and the prudential supervision of credit institutions and investment firms and Regulation (EU) No. 575/2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013
CRD IV leverage exposure	an estimated prudential exposure measure, reported on the basis set out in Article 429 of CRD IV and disclosed in the Interim Results
CRD IV leverage ratio	an estimated non risk-based ratio calculated as CRD IV CET1 capital divided by CRD IV leverage exposure, in accordance with the reporting requirements set out in Article 429 of CRD IV and disclosed in the Interim Results
Credit Suisse	Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited in its capacity as sponsor, joint bookrunner and underwriter and/or Credit Suisse AG, London Branch in its capacity as underwriter, as the context requires
Deutsche Bank	Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch
Director	a director of the Company
Disclosure and Transparency Rules	the Disclosure Rules and Transparency Rules contained in the FCA's sourcebook
Enlarged Ordinary Share Capital	the issued Ordinary Share capital of Barclays following the issue of the New Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Rights Issue based on the existing issued Ordinary Share capital of Barclays as at 29 July 2013 (being the last Business Day prior to the release of this announcement)

Existing Ordinary Shares	the Ordinary Shares in issue as at the Record Date
FCA	Financial Conduct Authority
FSMA	Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as amended
Fully Loaded CET1 ratio	an estimated risk-based ratio calculated as CRD IV CET1 capital divided by CRD IV Risk Weighted Assets (before the application of the transitional provisions set out in CRD IV and interpretive guidance dated 26 October 2012 published by the Financial Services Authority) and as disclosed in the Interim Results
Fully Paid Rights	rights to acquire New Ordinary Shares, fully paid
Gross Underwritten Proceeds	the product of the Issue Price and the aggregate number of Underwritten Shares
Group	Barclays and its subsidiaries and subsidiary undertakings
Initial Underwriters	Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, Citi and BofA Merrill Lynch
Interim Results	Barclays' interim results for the six month period ended 30 June 2013 announced by Barclays on today's date
Issue Price	185 pence per New Ordinary Share
Leverage Plan	the leverage exposure and capital management actions proposed to be taken by the Company and outlined in this announcement, in order to meet the PRA Leverage Ratio target of 3%
London Stock Exchange or LSE	London Stock Exchange plc or its successor(s)
Listing Rules	the rules and regulations made by the FCA under Part VI of FSMA
New Ordinary Shares	the Ordinary Shares to be issued by the Company pursuant to the Rights Issue
Nil Paid Rights	New Ordinary Shares in nil paid form to be provisionally allotted to Qualifying Shareholders pursuant to the Rights Issue

NYSE	the New York Stock Exchange
Ordinary Share	an ordinary share of 25 pence in the share capital of the Company
PRA	Prudential Regulation Authority
PRA Adjustments	valuation adjustments applied by the PRA and deducted from Barclays CRD IV CET1 capital in the calculation of the PRA Leverage Ratio
PRA Leverage Ratio	a non risk-based ratio introduced by the PRA in June 2013 calculated as CRD IV CET1 capital after PRA Adjustments divided by CRD IV leverage exposure
Prospectus	the UK prospectus to be published by the Company relating to the Rights Issue in accordance with the Prospectus Rules
Prospectus Directive	European Directive 2003/71/EC, as amended
Prospectus Rules	the rules published by the FCA under section 73A FSMA
Provisional Allotment Letter	the provisional allotment letter expected to be issued to Qualifying Shareholders (who hold their Ordinary Shares in certificated form) in respect of New Ordinary Shares to be provisionally allotted to them pursuant to the Rights Issue
Qualifying Shareholders	holders of Ordinary Shares (including those represented by ADSs) who will be entitled to participate in the Rights Issue, as set out in the Prospectus (when published)
Record Date	the time (to be determined by the Company in due course) on which a holder of Ordinary Shares must be on the register of members of the Company in order to participate in the Rights Issue; the record date in respect of ADSs (also to be determined by the Company in due course) may differ
Rights Issue	the proposed offer by way of rights to Qualifying Shareholders to acquire New Ordinary Shares, on the terms and conditions to be set out in the Prospectus (or in the US Prospectus, as the case may be) and, where applicable, the Provisional Allotment Letter

RoE	return on equity
RWA	risk weighted asset
Scrip Dividend Programme	Barclays PLC's scrip dividend programme
SEC	US Securities and Exchange Commission
Shareholders	holders of Ordinary Shares
Sponsor	Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited in its capacity as sponsor
Transitional CET1 ratio	an estimated risk-based ratio calculated as CRD IV CET1 capital divided by CRD IV Risk Weighted Assets (after the application of transitional provisions set out in CRD IV and interpretive guidance dated 26 October 2012 published by the Financial Services Authority) and as disclosed in the Interim Results
UK or United Kingdom	the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
UKLA	the FCA, acting in its capacity as the competent authority for the purposes of FSMA
Underwriters	the Initial Underwriters and the Additional Underwriters
Underwriting Agreement	the underwriting agreement dated today's date between the Company, Barclays Investment Bank, the Underwriters and the Sponsor relating to the Rights Issue
Underwritten Shares	those New Ordinary Shares to be allotted pursuant to the Rights Issue (but excluding any New Ordinary Shares to be allotted under the Rights Issue as a result of any increase in the number of Ordinary Shares in issue after the date of the Underwriting Agreement but prior to the Record Date)
US or United States	the United States of America, its territories and possessions, any state of the United States and the District of Columbia
US Prospectus	the prospectus pursuant to which the Rights Issue will be made to Qualifying Shareholders in the United States and ADS holders and which will form part of the US Registration Statement

US Registration Statement

the registration statement filed by Barclays on Form F-3 (Registration No. 333-173886) with the SEC as amended on 29 July 2013, which may be amended or supplemented thereafter in respect of additional information relating to the Rights Issue

Appendix 4

Certain non-IFRS measures

This announcement includes certain non-International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) measures. These non-IFRS measures are important to understanding the background of, and rationale for, the Rights Issue as well as Barclays' capital and leverage position in light of the anticipated implementation of CRD IV and the introduction of the PRA Leverage Ratio target.

The CRD IV-based measures have been calculated on the basis of Barclays' current interpretation of CRD IV and are not yet in force. Measures presented on a transitional basis are calculated by taking into account transitional provisions set out in CRD IV and interpretive guidance dated 26 October 2012 published by the FSA and assuming they were applied as at 30 June 2013. Measures presented on a fully loaded basis are calculated without applying CRD IV transitional provisions.

The final impact of CRD IV is dependent on technical standards to be finalised by the European Banking Authority (EBA) and on the final UK implementation of the rules. Barclays' interpretation of CRD IV and the basis of Barclays' calculation of CRD IV-based measures may be different from those of other financial institutions. This announcement includes the following CRD IV-based metrics, which are described in more detail in Appendix 3 (*Definitions*)

CRD IV CET1 on a transitional and fully loaded basis. See the *Estimated Impact of CRD IV Capital* table below for a reconciliation of CRD IV CET1 to Core Tier 1 capital, which is calculated on the basis currently applied to Barclays under existing UK regulatory requirements.

CRD IV risk weighted assets (RWAs) on a transitional and fully loaded basis. See the *Estimated Impact of CRD IV Capital* table below for a reconciliation of CRD IV RWAs to RWAs calculated on the basis currently applied to Barclays under existing UK regulatory requirements.

Fully Loaded CET1 ratio and Transitional CET1 ratio, each representing CRD IV CET1 divided by CRD IV RWAs. See the *Estimated Impact of CRD IV Capital* table below for a reconciliation of the components of the Fully Loaded CET1 ratio and Transitional CET1 ratio to the respective components of the Core Tier 1 ratio, which is calculated on the basis currently applied to Barclays under existing UK regulatory requirements.

CRD IV leverage exposure on a transitional and fully loaded basis. CRD IV leverage exposure makes certain adjustments to total assets in accordance with Barclays' interpretation of CRD IV requirements. See the *Estimated Impact of CRD IV Leverage* table below for a reconciliation of CRD IV leverage exposure to total assets.

CRD IV leverage ratio on a transitional and fully loaded basis, which represents CRD IV Tier 1 divided by CRD IV leverage exposure. See the Estimated Impact of CRD IV Capital table below for a reconciliation of CRD IV CET1 to Core Tier 1 capital, and see the Estimated Impact of CRD IV Leverage table below for a reconciliation of CRD IV leverage exposure to total assets. The PRA-adjusted Fully Loaded CET1 and PRA Leverage Ratio apply the PRA Adjustments to Barclays fully loaded CRD IV CET1 capital base. The PRA Adjustments are shown in Appendix 1 of this announcement. A reconciliation of the PRA Leverage Ratio to Barclays CRD IV leverage ratio is also shown in the table entitled Estimated CRDIV Leverage Ratio and PRA Leverage Ratio in this announcement.

	CET1 Transitional 30.06.13 £bn	CET1 Fully-loaded 30.06.13 £bn
Estimated Impact of CRD IV Capital		
Core Tier 1 capital (FSA 2009 definition)	42.9	42.9
Risk Weighted Assets (RWA) (current Basel 2.5 rules)	387.2	387.2
Core Tier 1 ratio (Basel 2.5)	11.1%	11.1%
CRD IV impact on Core Tier 1 capital:		
Adjustments not impacted by transitional provisions		
Conversion from securitisation deductions to RWAs	0.8	0.8
Prudential Valuation Adjustment (PVA)	(2.1)	(2.1)
Other	(0.2)	(0.2)
Adjustments impacted by transitional provisions		
Goodwill and intangibles	6.1	
Expected losses over impairment	0.4	(1.0)
Deferred tax assets deduction	(0.4)	(1.9)
Excess minority interest	(0.2)	(0.6)
Debit Valuation Adjustment (DVA)	(0.1)	(0.3)
Gains on available for sale equity and debt		0.5
Non-significant holdings in Financial Institutions	(0.5)	(2.5)
Mitigation of non-significant holdings in Financial Institutions	0.5	2.5
CET1 capital	47.2	38.1
CRD IV impact to RWAs:		
Credit Valuation Adjustment (CVA)	32.2	32.2
Securitisation	19.0	19.0
Central Counterparty Clearing	21.7	21.7
Other	11.4	11.4
Gross Impact	84.3	84.3
RWAs (CRD IV)	471.5	471.5
CET1 ratio	10.0%	8.1%

		Final CRD IV
		text basis As at 30.06.13 £bn
Estimated Impact of CRD IV Leverage		
Leverage exposure		
Derivative financial instruments		403
Reverse repurchase agreements and other similar secured lending		223
Loans and Advances and other assets		907
Total assets		1,533
CRD IV exposure measure adjustments		
Derivatives		
Netting adjustments for derivatives		(324)
Potential Future Exposure on derivatives		308
Securities Financing Transactions (SFTs)		
Remove net IFRS SFTs		(223)
Add leverage exposure measure for SFTs		93
Other adjustments		
Undrawn commitments		190
Regulatory deductions and other adjustments		(18)
Fully-loaded CRD IV Leverage exposure measure		1,559
Transitional adjustments to assets deducted from Tier 1 Capital		2
Transitional CRD IV Leverage exposure measure		1,561
		Leverage ratio
		Final CRD IV
		text basis
		As at 30.06.13 %
Leverage Ratio as at 30.06.13	Tier 1 Capital £bn	
Transitional measure ¹	48.2	3.1
Adjusted fully loaded point measure ²	47.9	3.1
Fully-loaded measure ³	38.3	2.5

¹ Tier 1 capital is calculated as the transitional CRD IV measure assuming 2013 is the first year of implementation. Regulatory deductions are adjusted to reflect the transitional impact on Tier 1 capital.

² Tier 1 capital is calculated as the fully loaded CRD IV measure with all ineligible Tier 1 instruments added back. Regulatory deductions reflect the fully-loaded impact on Tier 1 capital.

³ Tier 1 capital is calculated as the fully loaded CRD IV measure. Regulatory deductions reflect the fully loaded impact on Tier 1 capital.

The defined terms set out in Appendix 3 apply in this announcement. Unless otherwise stated references to time contained in this announcement are to London time.

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The Prospectus, giving information on Barclays and containing details of the Rights Issue (including details of the Nil Paid Rights, the Fully Paid Rights and the New Ordinary Shares to be offered pursuant to the Rights Issue) will not be posted to Qualifying Shareholders but is expected to be published on the Company's website www.barclays.com in September 2013 (at which time it will be available in printed form to Qualifying Shareholders (other than those in the United States (see below)) who receive a notification of its availability on Barclays' website from the relevant registrar of Barclays). The Provisional Allotment Letters are expected to be despatched on or around the date the Prospectus is published.

Notice to US investors and ADS holders

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