

ABSA BANK LIMITED

Registration number: 1986/004794/06

Authorised financial services and registered credit provider (NCRCP7)

Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa

ISIN: ZAE000079810

JSE share code: ABSP

(Absa Bank)

ABSA BANK LIMITED: FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING CHANGES TO SECONDARY TAX ON COMPANIES AND THE INTRODUCTION OF DIVIDEND TAX AND THEIR EFFECT ON ABSA BANK LIMITED NON-CUMULATIVE NON-REDEEMABLE PREFERENCE SHARES WITH RESPECT TO THE RECORD DATE OF THE GENERAL MEETING

Further to the announcement to Absa Bank non-cumulative non-redeemable preference shares ("ABSP Preference Shares") shareholders (the "ABSP Preference Shareholders") released on SENS on 6 February 2012, and in addition to the notice of general meeting distributed on 7 February 2012, ABSP Preference Shareholders are hereby informed that the record date for purposes of the general meeting to be held on Wednesday, 14 March 2012 will be Friday, 9 March 2012.

Johannesburg

13 February 2012

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