Absa Group Limited Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa

Registration number. 18

Registration number: 1986/003934/06

JSE share code: ABG ISIN: ZAE000255915

("Absa Group" or "the Group")

DISPOSAL OF SECURITIES INVESTEC LIMITED ("Investec")

In accordance with section 122(3)(b) of the Companies Act, No. 71 of 2008 and section 3.83(b) of the JSE Listings Requirements, shareholders are hereby advised that Absa Group has received formal notification that Investec has disposed of a beneficial interest in the ordinary shares of the Group, such that the total beneficial interest in the ordinary shares of the Group held by Investec now amounts to 3.3983% of the total issued ordinary shares of the Group.

As required in terms of Section 122 of the Companies Act, the required notice will be filed with the Takeover Regulation Panel.

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J.P. Morgan Equities South Africa Proprietary Limited

Joint Sponsor to Absa Group:

Corporate and Investment Bank, a division of Absa Bank