BARCLAYS AFRICA GROUP LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

(Registration number: 1986/003934/06)

ISIN: ZAE000174124 JSE share code: BGA

(the Group)

ABSA BANK LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa) (Registration number: 1986/004794/06)

JSE share code: ABSP ISIN: ZAE000079810

(Absa Bank)

APPOINTMENT OF LEAD INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

In accordance with paragraph 3.59 (c) of the JSE Listings Requirements, shareholders are advised that Mohamed Husain has been appointed as the Lead Independent Director of both the Group and Absa Bank boards with effect from 1 June 2018. Mohamed will be replacing Trevor Munday, who retired from the boards on 15 May 2018, as Lead Independent Director.

Johannesburg 31 May 2018

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