ABSA GROUP LIMITED

Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa

Registration number: 1986/003934/06

JSE share code: ABG ISIN: ZAE000255915

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ABSA BANK LIMITED

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

JSE share code: ABSP ISIN: ZAE000079810

("Absa Bank")

UPDATE ON ABSA GROUP CHIEF EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT

Shareholders are advised that the Boards of Absa Group and Absa Bank have completed their processes to appoint a Group Chief Executive Officer. The individual will be announced in due course (as per the conditions imposed by the Prudential Authority) and will take up office in January 2020.

Johannesburg 12 August 2019

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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 Limited