

BARCLAYS AFRICA GROUP LIMITED

(Formerly known as Absa Group Limited)

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

(Registration number: 1986/003934/06)

ISIN: ZAE000174124

JSE share code: BGA

(“Barclays Africa Group”)

**BARCLAYS AFRICA GROUP CHAIRMAN APPOINTED TO BARCLAYS PLC BOARD
AND APPOINTMENT OF LEAD INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR**

Shareholders are informed that the Barclays Africa Group Chairman, Wendy Lucas-Bull, has been appointed as a Non-executive Director of Barclays PLC and Barclays Bank PLC, with effect from 19 September 2013.

Trevor Munday has been appointed Lead Independent Director on the Board of Barclays Africa Group (the Board), effective from 19 September 2013. Trevor was appointed to the Board as an Independent Non-executive Director in 2007, and is currently chairman of the Group Risk and Capital Management Committee and the Concentration Risk Committee, and is a member of the Group Audit and Compliance Committee, Group Remuneration and Human Resources Committee and the Board Finance Committee. He currently also chairs the board of Reunert Limited, is the Lead Independent Director of Life Healthcare Group Holdings Limited and a board member of Illovo Sugar Limited.

Johannesburg

19 September 2013

Independent lead sponsor to Barclays Africa Group

J.P. Morgan Equities South Africa Proprietary Limited

Joint sponsor to Barclays Africa Group

Absa Corporate and Investment Banking, a division of Absa Bank Limited