Absa Group Limited

(formerly known as Barclays Africa Group Limited)

Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa

Registration number: 1986/003934/06

JSE share code: ABG ISIN: ZAE000255915

("Absa Group")

APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In accordance with paragraph 3.59 (a) of the JSE Listings Requirements, shareholders are advised of the appointment of Mr Sipho Pityana as independent non-executive director to the Board of Absa Group with effect from 1 May 2019.

Sipho holds a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) degree from the University of Essex and a Master of Science degree from the University of London.

He is a former executive director of Nedcor Investment Bank Holdings (2002 – 2004), responsible for strategic business development.

Sipho is the founder and chairman of Izingwe Capital, a black-owned investment company founded in 2004, which invests in a number of South Africa's blue chip corporates. He is also the non-executive chairman of JSE listed companies AngloGold Ashanti and Onelogix Group.

He is the president of Business Unity South Africa (BUSA) and a member of the Community of Chairmen of the World Economic Forum.

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Independent lead sponsor to Absa Group:

J.P. Morgan Equities South Africa Proprietary Limited

Joint sponsor to Absa Group:

Corporate and Investment Bank, a division of Absa Bank Limited