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## **Barclays PLC**

### **Proposed Rights Issue – Appointment of Additional Underwriters**

Barclays announced on 30 July 2013, as part of its Leverage Plan, an underwritten Rights Issue of one New Ordinary Share for every four Existing Ordinary Shares at an Issue Price of 185 pence per New Ordinary Share, to raise approximately £5.8 billion (net of expenses). Further to such announcement, Barclays today announces that it has appointed a number of additional banks (the "**Additional Underwriters and Joint Bookrunners**") to the syndicate of banks who have underwritten the Rights Issue.

The Additional Underwriters and Joint Bookrunners appointed to the syndicate are ABN AMRO Bank N.V., Banco Santander S.A., BNP Paribas, ING Bank N.V., J.P. Morgan Securities plc (which conducts its UK investment banking activities as J.P. Morgan Cazenove), Mediobanca – Banca di Credito Finanziario S.p.A., Morgan Stanley Securities Limited, RBC Capital Markets and SMBC Nikko Capital Markets Limited. Such appointments have been made on the basis set out in the announcement released on 30 July 2013. Further details of such appointments will be set out in the Prospectus, which is expected to be published in September 2013.

Barclays Investment Bank is acting as Global Co-ordinator and Joint Bookrunner, and Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, BofA Merrill Lynch and Citi are acting as Joint Bookrunners and Initial Underwriters.

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*The Prospectus, giving information on Barclays and containing details of the Rights Issue (including details of the Nil Paid Rights, the Fully Paid Rights and the New Ordinary Shares to be offered pursuant to the Rights Issue) will not be posted to Qualifying Shareholders but is expected to be published on the Company's website [www.Barclays.com](http://www.Barclays.com) in September 2013 (at which time it will be available in printed form to Qualifying Shareholders (other than those in the United States (see below)) who receive a notification of its availability on Barclays' website from the relevant registrar of Barclays). The Provisional Allotment Letters are expected to be despatched on or around the date the Prospectus is published.*

#### ***Notice to US investors and ADS holders***

*In the United States, the Rights Issue will be made pursuant to the US Prospectus that Barclays expects to file with the SEC in September 2013. The US Prospectus will describe, among other things, how ADS holders will be able to participate in the Rights Issue. Barclays has filed a registration statement on Form F-3 (including a base prospectus) (Registration No. 333-173886) with the SEC relating to its Ordinary Shares (the "US Registration Statement") and for the offering to which this announcement relates. Before you invest, you should read the base prospectus in that registration statement, as it may be amended from time to time, the US Prospectus (when it is filed) and other documents Barclays has filed, and will file, with the SEC for more complete information about Barclays and the Rights Issue. You may get these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC Web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) or by accessing Barclays' website at [www.Barclays.com](http://www.Barclays.com). Alternatively, copies of the base prospectus and, when available, the US Prospectus may be obtained by contacting Barclays, c/o Broadridge Financial Solutions, 1155 Long Island Avenue, Edgewood, NY 11717, telephone (888) 603-5847 or e-mail a request to [Barclaysprospectus@broadridge.com](mailto:Barclaysprospectus@broadridge.com).*

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*This announcement may contain certain forward-looking statements with respect to the financial condition, results of operations and business of Barclays.*

*Barclays cautions readers that no forward-looking statement is a guarantee of future performance and that actual results could differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements can be identified by the fact that they do not relate only to historical or current facts. Forward-looking statements sometimes use words such as "may," "will," "seek," "continue," "aim," "anticipate," "target," "expect," "estimate," "projected," "intend," "plan," "goal," "believe," "achieve" or other words of similar meaning. Examples of forward-looking statements include, among others, statements regarding Barclays' future financial position, income growth, assets, impairments, charges, business strategy, capital and leverage ratios, payment of dividends (including dividend pay-out ratios), projected levels of growth in the banking and financial markets, projected costs, original and revised commitment and targets in connection with the Transform programme, deleveraging actions (including the Leverage Plan), estimates of capital expenditures, and plans and objectives for future operations and other statements that are not historical fact.*

*By their nature, forward-looking statements involve risk and uncertainty because they relate to future events and circumstances, including, but not limited to, U.K. domestic, Eurozone and global macroeconomic and business conditions, the effects of continued volatility in credit markets, market related risks such as changes in interest rates and foreign exchange rates, effects of changes in valuation of credit market exposures, changes in valuation of issued securities, volatility in capital markets, particularly as it may affect the timing and cost of planned capital raisings, the policies and actions of governmental and regulatory authorities (including, among others the potential for one or more countries exiting the Eurozone), changes in legislation, the further development of standards and interpretations under International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") applicable to past, current and future periods, evolving practices with regard to the interpretation and application of standards under IFRS and prudential capital and leverage rules, the outcome of current and future legal proceedings, future levels of Conduct Provisions, the success of future acquisitions and other strategic transactions and the impact of competition, a number of which factors are beyond Barclays' control. As a result of these uncertain events and circumstances, Barclays' actual future results, dividend payments and capital and leverage ratios may differ materially from the plans, goals and expectations set forth in such forward-looking statements. The list above is not exhaustive and there are other factors that may cause the Company's actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements contained in this announcement. Additional risks and factors are identified in Barclays' filings with the SEC (as defined herein) including in Barclays' Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended 31 December 2012, which is available on the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. You are also advised to read carefully the additional risks and other factors that will be identified in the prospectus and the US Prospectus before making any investment decision in the Rights Issue.*

*Written and/or oral forward-looking statements may also be made in the periodic reports to the SEC, summary financial statements to shareholders, proxy statements, offering circulars and prospectuses, press releases and other written materials, and in oral statements made by Barclays' Directors, officers or employees to third parties, including financial analysts.*

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*You are advised to read this announcement and the Prospectus or the US Prospectus (as applicable) in their entirety for a further discussion of the factors that could affect Barclays' future performance. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the events described in the forward-looking statements in this announcement may not occur.*