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Barclays PLC**Response to PRA capital shortfall exercise**

Barclays notes the outcome of the Prudential Regulation Authority (PRA) capital shortfall exercise, which calculated a deficit for Barclays as at 31 December 2012 of approximately £3bn against the PRA's requirement for an adjusted 7% fully loaded Common Equity Tier (CET) 1 ratio. The PRA's calculation is based on Basel 3 definitions, with further prudential adjustments to capital and risk-weighted assets estimated in the course of their analysis.

Barclays is confident it will exceed this 7% PRA-calculated ratio organically by the end of 2013 through our capital generative businesses and continued progress in executing our Transform programme, including further capital-accretive disposals of legacy assets, which we have accelerated since the start of the year. As agreed with the PRA, this requirement is expected to be met without recourse to equity capital issuance.

We continue to strengthen our capital position and our current plan targets a fully loaded Basel 3 CET1 ratio at 31 December 2013 of approximately 9%, increasing to 10.5% by the end of 2015.

In addition to targeting a fully loaded CET1 ratio of 10.5% in 2015, we continue to transition to a capital structure for the Group which includes further loss-absorbing capital in the form of a 2% layer of contingent capital. Within this, we plan a mix of both Tier 2 instruments, of which we have issued \$4bn over the last 12 months, and Additional Tier 1 instruments, as we believe contingent capital is a valuable source of going concern capital that, under some conditions of stress, directly supports CET1.

Additionally, the PRA has introduced a new 3% leverage ratio requirement calculated on a PRA-adjusted CET1 capital base. As previously communicated, the commitments we have made under the Transform programme call for organic reduction in leverage of the Group over time. In accordance with the PRA statement, we remain in discussion about our financial and capital management plans and will keep the market updated as required.

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