

BARCLAYS PLC



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Barclays shareholders approve proposed merger with ABN AMRO

Barclays PLC announces that all the resolutions put forward at today's Extraordinary General Meeting and Ordinary Shareholder Class Meeting were passed. Each of the resolutions was passed by a majority of at least 90% per cent of the votes cast.

Barclays PLC Extraordinary General Meeting

A poll was held on each of the resolutions proposed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 14 September 2007. The results of the polls are:

Resolutions	For	Against	Vote Withheld
1 To approve the proposed merger	3,559,427,346 (90%)	412,793,299 (10%)	81,274,763
2 To approve the creation of preference shares	3,602,174,764 (91%)	365,532,817 (9%)	85,787,827
3 To renew the authority given to the Directors to allot securities	3,710,293,360 (92%)	335,843,605 (8%)	7,358,443
4 To renew the authority given to Directors to allot equity securities for cash other than on a pro-rata basis to shareholders and to sell treasury shares	3,629,869,643 (90%)	412,458,745 (10%)	11,167,020
5 To renew the Company's authority to purchase its own shares	3,916,978,449 (97%)	125,955,507 (3%)	10,561,452
6 To cancel the share premium account	3,884,254,496 (97%)	132,487,550 (3%)	36,753,362

Barclays PLC Class Meeting of Ordinary Shareholders

A poll was held on the resolution proposed at the Class Meeting of Ordinary Shareholders held on 14 September 2007. The result of the poll is:

Resolutions	For	Against	Vote Withheld
1 To approve the passing and implementation of Resolution 2 at the Extraordinary General Meeting relating to the preference shares and to consent to any resulting change in the rights of ordinary shares	3,546,686,678 (92%)	328,476,700 (8%)	86,443,047

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Important Information

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SEC Filings

In connection with the proposed business combination transaction between ABN AMRO Holding N.V. ("ABN AMRO") and Barclays PLC ("Barclays"), Barclays has filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") a Registration Statement on Form F-4 ("Form F-4"), which includes the Barclays offer document/prospectus. Barclays has also filed with the SEC a Statement on Schedule TO and has filed and will file other relevant materials. In addition, ABN AMRO has filed with the SEC a Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 and has filed and will file other relevant materials. Barclays has mailed the offer document/prospectus to holders of ABN AMRO ordinary shares located in the United States and Canada and to holders of ABN AMRO ADSs located in certain jurisdictions worldwide.

INVESTORS ARE URGED TO READ THE FINAL OFFER DOCUMENT/PROSPECTUS AND ANY DOCUMENTS REGARDING THE POTENTIAL TRANSACTION IF AND WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE, BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

Investors can obtain a free copy of the Form F-4, the offer document/prospectus and other Barclays filings without charge, at the SEC's website (www.sec.gov). Copies of such documents may also be obtained from Barclays without charge.