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**Barclays PLC**  
**James E. Staley appointed as Group Chief Executive**

Barclays PLC and Barclays Bank PLC (“Barclays”) announce that Mr James E. Staley (Jes Staley) has been appointed as Group Chief Executive Officer of Barclays. Mr Staley will take up his role, and join the Barclays Boards as a Director, with effect from 1 December 2015.

Mr Staley has nearly four decades of extensive experience in banking and financial services. He worked for over 30 years at J.P. Morgan initially training as a commercial banker, and later advancing to the leadership of major businesses involving Equities, Private Banking and Asset Management, and ultimately heading the company’s Global Investment Bank. He is currently Managing Partner of BlueMountain Capital.

Commenting on the appointment, Barclays Chairman John McFarlane said:

*“Barclays is an incredibly important, broad and complex business. Appointing an individual with the business scope, seasoning and track record is a difficult challenge. In Jes Staley we believe we have an executive with the appropriate leadership talent and wide-ranging experience to deliver shareholder value and to take the Group forward strategically. In particular, he understands corporate and investment banking well, the re-positioning of which is one of our major priorities. After an extended process, I now know Jes well, and we are in agreement on the way forward. He is a man of enormous integrity, and someone who both understands the business, but also the importance of cultural reform and the need to conduct our business in a way that we can all be proud of. I look forward to working with him in what will be an exciting and important period for our company as we seek to accelerate the delivery of improved shareholder returns.”*

Commenting today, Barclays Group CEO-Designate Jes Staley said:

*“It is an honour to be chosen to lead Barclays, an institution with an extraordinary legacy of 325 years in existence. I look forward to building on this heritage and to working with the company’s dedicated and deeply talented employees to deliver the highest quality financial services to the bank’s customers and clients, with integrity and skill.*

*We will be committed to preserving and enhancing the trust that is the foundation of Barclays’ reputation. Stability and long-term orientation are cornerstones for this great institution. We must recognise Barclays’ special obligation to those principles. We must also continue the focus on shareholder returns which John McFarlane has mandated. Barclays is a very valuable franchise: from its retail and commercial banking presence in the UK, its strength in cards and payments, its strong position in Africa, to its Investment Bank. Maximising the potential of this franchise means building on our competitive advantages and developing new ones in order to*

*generate strong returns on capital. If we do this, increased value for our shareholders will follow at the same time as Barclays' long history of leadership is continued and enhanced."*

The appointment of a new Group CEO was overseen by the Barclays Board Nominations Committee, which was chaired by Barclays Deputy Chairman and Senior Independent Director, Sir Michael Rake.

Commenting on behalf of the Board Nominations Committee, Sir Michael Rake said:

*"The Nominations Committee has conducted a wide-ranging search process and considered the credentials of multiple strong candidates to be the next Group CEO of Barclays. This is a huge, complex, and challenging role, leading one of the largest and most important financial institutions in the world, and my colleagues and I took the responsibility of finding an outstanding leader for Barclays extremely seriously. We are unanimous in our view that Jes Staley is the right man for that role, we wish him every success, and he will have our full support."*

There are no other details that are required to be disclosed in respect of Mr Staley's appointment under Paragraph 9.6.13 of the Listing Rules of the UK Listing Authority save as disclosed in this announcement and the Notes to Editors.

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***Key Compensation arrangements for Jes Staley***

Jes Staley's compensation arrangements will reflect his role and responsibilities and are in accordance with the Shareholder approved Directors' Remuneration Policy.

On appointment, Mr Staley will receive the following fixed pay per annum: (i) salary of GBP1,200,000, (ii) role based pay of GBP1,150,000, delivered in shares subject to a holding period with restrictions lifting over five years and (iii) a cash allowance in lieu of pension of 33% of his salary. Mr Staley will also receive standard benefits including medical cover, life assurance, and relocation assistance.

Mr Staley will be eligible to be considered, on an annual basis, for a discretionary incentive award up to a maximum value of 80% of fixed pay, and an award under the Barclays Long Term Incentive Programme up to a maximum value at grant of 120% of fixed pay, or such other maximum values as set out in the Directors' Remuneration Policy, as amended and approved by shareholders from time to time.

On appointment, Mr Staley will be granted a Barclays share award to compensate him for an unvested share award granted to him by JPMorgan Chase & Co. which is forfeited as a result of him starting his new role at Barclays on 1 December 2015. The value at grant of the award will be determined by reference to the JPMorgan Chase & Co. share price on 1 December 2015. Based on the closing share price on 26 October 2015, the value of Barclays shares awarded to Mr Staley would be c. £1.93m.

The Remuneration Committee, comprised of independent Non-Executive Directors, set the remuneration for Mr Staley's role with reference to his individual experience as well as the compensation arrangements at a peer group of global universal banks.

### ***Jes Staley Biography***

Jes Staley is currently a Managing Partner of BlueMountain Capital. Jes is also a member of the Firm's Management, Investment and Valuation Committees.

Prior to joining BlueMountain in 2013, Jes spent over thirty years at J.P. Morgan, where he served as CEO of the Investment Bank and also CEO of J.P. Morgan Asset Management. He was a member of the firm's Operating and Executive Committees. During his tenure, Jes led J.P. Morgan's expansion into alternative investments, including its strategic partnership with Highbridge Capital Management.

Jes serves on the Board of Directors of UBS AG, Renewable Energy Trust Capital, Inc, Alliance Partners, the Robin Hood Foundation, CODE Advisors, the Board of Trustees of Bowdoin College, the Investor Advisory Committee on Financial Markets of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Jes holds a B.A. in Economics from Bowdoin College. He is 58 years old and married with two children.