

**Barclays PLC
Barclays Bank PLC****Barclays passes 2016 BoE stress test**

Barclays PLC and Barclays Bank PLC (“Barclays”) note the publication today of stress test outcomes for UK banks by the Bank of England (“BoE”). Under the BoE’s assessment of the effects of the modelled adverse stress scenario, Barclays’ minimum stressed Common Equity Tier 1 (“CET1”) ratio over the period 2016-20 was 8.3%. The minimum ratio occurred in 2017 of the test period and exceeded the systemic reference point for that year after the impact of strategic management actions and conversion of Additional Tier 1 securities (“AT1s”). Barclays has not been asked to submit a revised capital plan.

The systemic reference point in the 2016 stress tests includes a revised Pillar 2A capital requirement based on Barclays’ 2017 Individual Capital Guidance (“ICG”) which the PRA has communicated to us¹. Accordingly, the stress test systemic reference point for 2017 was 7.8%, comprising the 4.5% CRD IV minimum CET1 ratio requirement, the 2017 Pillar 2A CET1 requirement of 2.3%, and the 1% phased-in G-SIB buffer applicable in 2017 based on the November 2015 FSB G-SIB list².

Barclays’ capital policy requires management to consider taking discretionary actions to mitigate the impacts of a stress scenario and reduce the risk of CRD IV mandatory distribution restrictions. The discretionary actions taken in this modelled scenario are not separately reported in the BoE stress test outcomes, but are included in the “all strategic management actions including CRD IV distribution restrictions” column, which shows Barclays’ minimum stressed CET1 ratio at 6.9%.

The starting point for the 2016 stress test was an 11.4% CET1 ratio as at 31 December 2015, which compares to a CET1 ratio of 11.6% as at 30 September 2016. In addition, on 21 November 2016 Barclays’ G-SIB buffer was reduced from 2.0% to 1.5%. Over the course of 2016 Barclays has made strong progress with the accelerated rundown of Non-Core and reduced its stake in Barclays Africa Group Limited as it moves towards regulatory deconsolidation, which together with organic capital ratio accretion has strengthened and de-risked the Group. These factors would have reduced the impact of the 2016 stress tests.

The minimum stressed Tier 1 leverage ratio was calculated at 3.4% after CRD IV related restrictions and 3.0% before such restrictions, passing both the 3.4% systemic reference point, and the 3.0% minimum threshold. Barclays reported a 4.5% Tier 1 leverage ratio as at 31 December 2015, which was the starting point for the stress test modelling.

The full year results for 2016 and the Annual Report will be published on 23 February 2017.

The BoE stress test results for UK banks can be found on the BoE website at <http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/financialstability/Pages/fpc/stresstest.aspx> and Barclays’ results are summarised below.

1. Barclays has received its 2017 ICG. Based on RWAs as at 31 December 2015, which was the starting point of the BoE stress test, the Pillar 2A capital requirement per our 2017 ICG is £14.9bn or 4.0% of RWAs, of which £8.4bn or 2.3% of RWAs is in CET1 form.

2. Based on the 2016 FSB list of Global Systemically Important Banks (G-SIB), published on 21 November 2016, Barclays’ G-SIB buffer has been reduced from 2.0% to 1.5%. This change is expected to be reflected in the systemic reference points set from 1 January 2018 onwards in future stress tests.

Summary stress test results

The following is extracted from the stress test results in relation to Barclays published today by the BoE:

	As at 31.12.15	Minimum Stressed Ratio after all strategic management actions including CRD IV related restrictions	Minimum Stressed Ratio after the impact of strategic management actions and conversion of AT1	As at 30.09.16
Capital and Leverage ratios				
Fully loaded CET 1 ¹	11.4%	6.9%	8.3%	11.6%
PRA Transitional Tier 1 ²	14.7%	9.5%	9.5%	14.8%
PRA Transitional Total Capital ²	18.6%	13.2%	13.2%	18.8%
CET1 capital (£bn)	41	28	33	43
Risk weighted assets (£bn)	358	400	400	373
Tier 1 leverage ratio	4.5%	3.4%	3.4%	4.2%
Total leverage exposure (£bn)	1,028	976	976	1,185

¹ The transitional regulatory adjustments to CET1 capital are no longer applicable resulting in CET1 capital on a fully loaded basis being equal to that on a transitional basis.

² The PRA transitional capital is based on the PRA Rulebook and accompanying supervisory statements.

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