NOTICE TO OUR VALUED SHAREHOLDERS

X-NEWS ANNOUNCEMENT 06 MAY - BOTSWANA
PLACING OF 103.6 MILLION ORDINARY SHARES IN BARCLAYS AFRICA GROUP LIMITED (“BARCLAYS AFRICA”) BY BARCLAYS PLC

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Barclays Bank of Botswana Limited (“BBB or the Bank”) draws our shareholders attention to its X-news announcements released on 04 March 2016 and 04 May 2016 and an announcement made by and Barclays Africa Group Limited (“BAGL”) on 5th May 2016. BAGL’s announcement appears in part below:

“Further to the announcement released on 4 May 2016, Barclays has sold 103,592,491 ordinary shares in the capital of Barclays Africa (representing 12.2% of Barclays Africa’s issued share capital) at a price of ZAR 126 per share through an accelerated bookbuild placing (the "Placing"), raising aggregate gross sale proceeds of approximately ZAR 13,053 million (£603 million). Upon settlement, the Placing is expected to result in a pro forma increase of approximately 10 basis points on the 31 March 2016 CET1 ratio….

…Following completion of the Placing, Barclays will hold 424.7 million ordinary shares in the capital of Barclays Africa, representing approximately 50.1% of Barclays Africa’s issued share capital.”

Barclays PLC’s announcement does not affect BAGL’s shareholding in its African operations, including BBB.

BBB wishes to reiterate that it continues a clear strategy in Botswana and remains focused on executing that strategy. BBB is a profitable business, well capitalised and is financially independent of Barclays PLC. BBB will continue to serve its customers as it has done for over 65 years.

1 Exchange Rate ZARGBP 0.0462 as of 4 May 2016 (source: Bloomberg)
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