NOTICE TO OUR VALUED SHAREHOLDERS

ANNOUNCEMENT 29 FEBRUARY 2016 - BOTSWANA

Barclays Bank of Botswana Limited (“BBB or the Bank”) draws our shareholders attention to the announcement made by Barclays Africa Group Limited (“BAGL”) on the SENS as follows:

BARCLAYS BA AFRICA GROUP LIMITED
(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)
(Registration number: 1986/003934/06)
ISIN: ZAE000174124
JSE share code: BGA
(Barclays Africa Group)

CAUTIONARY ANNOUNCEMENT

Shareholders are referred to the announcements made by Barclays PLC at 18h00 (BST) time (20h00 SAST) on Sunday 28 February 2016 and Barclays Africa Group Limited (“BAGL”) on 29th February 2016 at 07h00 SAST, respectively. The full texts of the statements appear below:

“Barclays PLC notes the recent press speculation regarding a potential sale of its shareholding in Barclays Africa Group Limited (“BAGL”). The Board continues to evaluate its strategic options in relation to its BAGL shareholding and expects to
“Consequently, BAGL shareholders are advised to exercise caution when dealing in BAGL shares.

BAGL is an independent entity listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange that is well capitalized with a track record of generating strong returns. It is delivering on its strategy, has a strong and independent board, and is a bank regulated by the South African Reserve Bank. The BAGL Board confirms that BAGL will continue to operate in the normal course of business.

BAGL is the majority (and in some cases sole) shareholder of the BAGL operations in South Africa, Kenya, Botswana, Ghana, Zambia, Mauritius, Mozambique, Seychelles, Uganda and Tanzania (Barclays Bank Tanzania Limited and National Bank of Commerce Limited). BAGL confirms that any announcement relating to PLC’s shareholding in BAGL does not impact the shareholding and ownership of these operations.

The BAGL results will be released on SENS in the ordinary course tomorrow (1 March 2016) at 07h00 SAST or shortly thereafter.” (end of quote)

BAGL is the majority shareholder of BBB. It is not anticipated that the update by Barclays PLC will affect the shares listed on the Botswana Stock Exchange. Nevertheless BBB shareholders are advised to exercise caution when dealing in BBB shares.
BBB has been in the Botswana market for 65 years. It has 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 is in a strong liquidity position and will continue to ensure that it is able to deliver services and value to all its stakeholders.

BBB continues to offer its customers cutting edge financial solutions.

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