

# **Barclays PLC**

### Statement on EBA Announcement

Barclays reported a Core Tier 1 ('CT1') ratio of 11.0% as at 30 September 2011 in its Interim Management Statement on 31 October 2011.

Under the EBA's capital definitions, Barclays CT1 ratio which includes the impact of the Capital Requirements Directive ('CRD') 3 is 9.8% as at 30 September 2011. This exceeds the EBA's target CT1 ratio of 9% used in this exercise.

Barclays GBP results in the EBA template can be found at <a href="https://www.barclays.com/investorrelations">www.barclays.com/investorrelations</a> and include:

- (1) CT1 as per EBA's definitions, including the CRD3 rules effective 31 December 2011;
- (2) European sovereign exposures central, regional and local government in the European Economic Area ('EEA') as at 30 September 2011;
- (3) Breakdown of RWAs including CRD 3; and
- (4) Gross Sovereign Credit Default Swap (CDS) positions as at 30 September 2011.

To supplement the CDS disclosure, Barclays is also providing an additional column showing the largest net protection amount outstanding by each sovereign for EEA banks which demonstrates the limited net CDS exposures.

## Outcome of the EBA capital ratio test as at 30 September 2011

| Basel-defined CT1 ratio | 11.0% |
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|                         |       |
| EBA-defined CT1 ratio   | 9.8%  |

### Notes:

• The methodology underlying the capital exercise was outlined by the EBA prior to its announcement to ensure consistency across all banks in the EU banking system involved in the exercise.

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## **About Barclays**

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#### About EBA

Barclays notes the announcements made today by the European Banking Authority and competent National Supervisor regarding the capital exercise, which demonstrate the following result for Barclays.

The capital exercise proposed by the EBA and agreed by the Council on 26 October 2011 requires banks to strengthen their capital positions by building up a temporary capital buffer against sovereign debt exposures to reflect current market prices. In addition, it requires them to establish a buffer such that the Core Tier 1 capital ratio reaches a level of 9% by the end of June 2012. The amount of any final capital shortfall identified is based on September 2011 figures. The amount of the sovereign capital buffer will not be revised.

71 banks across Europe, including Barclays, were subject to the capital exercise whose objective is to create an exceptional and temporary capital buffer to address current market concerns over sovereign risk and other residual credit risk related to the current difficult market environment. This buffer would explicitly not be designed to cover losses in sovereigns but to provide a reassurance to markets about banks' ability to withstand a range of shocks and still maintain adequate capital.

Following completion of the capital exercise conducted by the European Banking Authority, in close cooperation with the competent national authority, the exercise has determined that:

Barclays meets the 9% Core Tier 1 ratio after the removal of the prudential filters on sovereign assets in the Available-for-Sale portfolio and prudent valuation of sovereign debt in the Held-to-Maturity and Loans and receivables portfolios, reflecting current market prices.