BARCLAYS PLC

Antony Jenkins to leave Barclays John McFarlane to become Executive Chairman

Barclays PLC and Barclays Bank PLC (Barclays) announce the departure of Antony Jenkins as Chief Executive and the appointment of John McFarlane as Executive Chairman pending the appointment of a new Chief Executive. Subject to regulatory approval the change will come fully into effect on 17 July 2015 when John retires from FirstGroup. A search for Mr Jenkins' successor is underway. The interim results will be announced as planned on 29 July 2015.

The Non-Executive Directors led by Sir Michael Rake, Deputy Chairman and Senior Independent Director, concluded that new leadership is required to accelerate the pace of execution going forward and that John McFarlane is ideally qualified in this respect until a permanent successor is appointed. This development does not signal any major change in strategy.

The Board recognises the contribution made by Antony Jenkins as Chief Executive over the past three years in incredibly difficult circumstances for the Group, and is extremely grateful to him in bringing the company to a much stronger position. The situation he inherited would have challenged anyone facing the same issues. This continued a period of achievement as head of Barclaycard and our Retail and Business Banking businesses.

Members of the Group Executive Committee will now report to Mr McFarlane, who will work particularly closely with Tushar Morzaria, Group Finance Director.

Sir Michael Rake commented, "I reflected long and hard on the issue of Group leadership and discussed this with each of the Non-Executive Directors. Notwithstanding Antony's significant achievements, it became clear to all of us that a new set of skills were required for the period ahead. This does not take away from our appreciation of Antony's contribution at a critical time for the company."

Mr McFarlane said, "Whilst it is unfortunate that I have had little time to work with Antony, I respect and endorse the position of the Board in deciding that a change in leadership is required at this time. I would add my personal thanks for everything that Antony has done for us. He can be proud of his heritage, especially his excellent work on culture and values that we will continue. I wish him well."

"Arriving at Barclays with a fresh perspective, it is evident that we have a standout brand with first-class retail, commercial and investment banking businesses. Nevertheless, we are leaving value on the table and a new approach is required. As a Group, if we aspire to bring shareholder returns forward, we need to be much more focused on what is attractive, what we are good at, and where we are good at it."

"We therefore need to accelerate revenue, costs and capital performance. We also need to become more externally focused and deal with the internal bureaucracy by becoming leaner and more agile. I have experienced good results in dealing with these matters elsewhere," he added.

Antony Jenkins said, "In the summer of 2012, I became Group Chief Executive at a particularly difficult time for Barclays. It is easy to forget just how bad things were three years ago both for our industry and even more so for us. I am very proud of the significant progress we have made since then. Our capital position is much stronger, our business model is more balanced, we are much more disciplined on cost management, we have made good progress in rebuilding our reputation and we are seen as a leader in the application of technology to our business. While the external environment has continued to be, and will remain, challenging the Group now has the resilience to overcome these challenges."

"Most of all, I am proud that we have defined our culture through a common set of values for the Group and that the progress we have made and the tough decisions we have needed to take have all been achieved by applying these values and by focusing on the needs of all our stakeholders."

"I want to thank the people of Barclays for their tireless efforts and support in achieving these results and for my own part I am looking forward to the professional opportunities that lie ahead."

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Key Compensation arrangements for Antony Jenkins

The Barclays Board Remuneration Committee (the Committee) has determined that the following terms will relate to Mr Jenkins' departure as Barclays Chief Executive, which are consistent with the Directors' remuneration policy and Mr Jenkins' contract of employment.

Mr Jenkins is entitled to 12 months' notice from the Company under his contract of employment and will therefore continue to receive his current salary (£1,100,000 per annum), role based pay (delivered in Barclays shares) (£950,000 per annum), pension allowance (£363,000 per annum) and other benefits until 7 July 2016.

The Committee has determined that Mr Jenkins will remain eligible to be considered for a pro rated 2015 bonus for time in role as Group Chief Executive, subject to an assessment of the relevant performance measures relating to his 2015 bonus and the general discretion of the Committee.

Mr Jenkins will not be eligible to be considered for a 2016 incentive award or a 2016-18 LTIP award.

In accordance with the plan rules and as an eligible leaver, all outstanding deferred share awards will continue to be eligible for release at the original scheduled release dates. Similarly, outstanding LTIP awards will be considered for release, subject to the applicable performance conditions and pro rated for time, on the scheduled release dates. Deferred share awards and LTIP awards will remain subject to the relevant plan rules and terms of the awards, including additional holding periods following vesting, malus provisions and, where applicable, clawback.

Compensation arrangements for John McFarlane as Executive Chairman

As Chairman of Barclays, Mr McFarlane receives an annual fee of £800,000 (inclusive of the annual fee he would receive as a Non-Executive Director). £100,000 of the annual fee as Chairman is delivered as Barclays' shares. The Committee had proposed to Mr McFarlane that his annual fee should be increased in view of his additional responsibilities. However, Mr McFarlane has indicated to the Committee that he does not wish his remuneration to be revised and his current fee arrangement will therefore continue while he serves as Executive Chairman.

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