

BARCLAYS PLC  
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May 05, 2016

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16  
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

May 05, 2016

Barclays PLC and  
Barclays Bank PLC  
(Names of Registrants)

1 Churchill Place

London E14 5HP  
England

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports  
under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F  Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information  
contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the  
Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes  No

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in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):

This Report is a joint Report on Form 6-K filed by Barclays PLC and Barclays  
Bank PLC. All of the issued ordinary share capital of Barclays Bank PLC is  
owned by Barclays PLC.

This Report comprises:

Information given to The London Stock Exchange and furnished pursuant to  
General Instruction B to the General Instructions to Form 6-K.

EXHIBIT INDEX

Placing of 103.6m Shares in Barclays Africa dated 05 May 2016

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the registrants has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

BARCLAYS PLC  
(Registrant)

Date: May 05, 2016

By: /s/ Patrick Gonsalves  
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Patrick Gonsalves  
Deputy Secretary

BARCLAYS BANK PLC  
(Registrant)

Date: May 05, 2016

By: /s/ Patrick Gonsalves  
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Patrick Gonsalves  
Joint Secretary

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PLACING OF 103.6 MILLION ORDINARY SHARES IN BARCLAYS AFRICA GROUP LIMITED ("BARCLAYS AFRICA")

5 May 2016

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)<sup>1</sup>. 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.

Barclays Bank PLC, acting through its investment bank ("Barclays Investment Bank") is acting as sole global coordinator and joint bookrunner, together with Citigroup Global Markets Limited, J.P. Morgan Securities plc (which conducts its UK investment banking activities as J.P. Morgan Cazenove) and UBS Limited (the "Managers") who, together with Barclays Investment Bank, are acting as joint bookrunners on the Placing (together, the "Joint Bookrunners").

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.

All of the remaining ordinary shares in Barclays Africa held by Barclays PLC or its subsidiaries (excluding Barclays Africa and its subsidiaries) not sold in the Placing will be subject to a 90 day lock-up restriction from settlement. During this period, the lock-up restriction may be waived with the consent of the Managers (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).

The proceeds of the Placing are payable in cash on usual settlement terms, and settlement of the Placing is expected to occur on a T+5 basis on 12 May 2016, subject to the satisfaction or waiver of certain customary conditions.

<sup>1</sup>Exchange Rate ZARGBP 0.0462 as of 4 May 2016 (source: Bloomberg)

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