

ABSA GROUP LIMITED

(Incorporated in
the Republic of South Africa)
(Registration number:
1986/003934/06)
ISIN: ZAE000067237
JSE share code: ASA
Issuer code: AMAGB
(Absa Group or Absa)

ABSA BANK LIMITED

(Incorporated in
the Republic of South Africa)
(Registration number:
1986/004794/06)
ISIN: ZAE000079810
JSE share code: ABSP
(Absa Bank)

ABSA GROUP AND ABSA BANK: RELEASE OF ANNUAL FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

Shareholders of Absa Group and Absa Bank are advised that the financial results for the twelve-month period ended 31 December 2012 will be released on SENS and published on Absa's website (www.absa.co.za) on Tuesday, 12 February 2013.

A presentation of the results will be made in Johannesburg at 09:30 a.m. (South African time) on Tuesday, 12 February 2013. It will be broadcast live on Summit TV (DSTV channel 412). Webcast and conference call facilities will be available for the presentation and details thereof will be published on the Absa website prior to the presentation.

Shareholders are also informed that the salient dates for the payment of the Absa Group ordinary and Absa Bank preference share dividends, as set out in the Absa Group interim financial results booklet for the six months ended 30 June 2012, remain unchanged. Full details of the dividends will be included in the financial results announcements on 12 February 2013.

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