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AMENDED AND RESTATED AGENCY AGREEMENT

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THIS AGREEMENT is dated 1 October 2024

BETWEEN:

- (1) SPAREBANKEN VEST (the "**Issuer**"); and
- (2) DEUTSCHE BANK AG, LONDON BRANCH (the "**Agent**", which expression shall include any successor agent appointed under clause 20 and the "**Paying Agent**", which expression shall include any additional or successor paying agent appointed under clause 20).

WHEREAS:

- (A) The Issuer, the Paying Agent and Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch entered into an amended and restated Agency Agreement dated 3 May 2023 (the "**Agency Agreement**") in respect of the €3,000,000,000 Euro Medium Term Note Programme (the "**Programme**").
- (B) The parties hereto have agreed to make certain modifications to the Agency Agreement.
- (C) This Agreement amends and restates the Agency Agreement. Subject as set out in the following sentence, any Notes issued under the Programme on or after the date hereof shall have the benefit of this Agreement. This does not affect any Notes issued under the Programme prior to the date of this Agreement or any Notes issued on or after the date of this Agreement so as to be consolidated and form a single Series with the Notes of any Series issued prior to the date of this Agreement. Subject to such amendment and restatement, the Agency Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.

IT IS AGREED:

1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

- (1) In this Agreement:

"**Auditors**" means the auditors for the time being of the Issuer or, in the event of their being unable or unwilling promptly to carry out any action requested of them pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement and/or the Conditions, such other independent firm of accountants as may be selected by the Issuer;

"**Bail-in Legislation**" means, in relation to a member state of the European Economic Area which has implemented, or which at any time implements, the BRRD, the relevant implementing law, regulation, rule or requirement as described in the EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule from time to time;

"**Bail-in Powers**" means any Write-down and Conversion Powers as defined in the EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule, in relation to the relevant Bail-in Legislation;

"**BRRD**" means Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on resolution and recovery of credit institutions and investment firms dated 15 May 2014 and published in the Official Journal of the European Union on 12 June 2014, as amended or replaced from time to time;

"**BRRD Entity**" means any party to this Agreement that is subject to Bail-in Powers;

"**BRRD Liability**" means a liability in respect of which the relevant Bail-in Powers may be exercised;

"**Calculation Agency Agreement**" in relation to any Series of Notes means an agreement in or substantially in the form of Schedule 1;

"**Calculation Agent**" means, in relation to the Notes of any Series, the person appointed as calculation agent in relation to the Notes by the Issuer pursuant to the provisions of a Calculation Agency Agreement (or any other agreement) and shall include any successor calculation agent appointed in respect of the Notes;

"**CGN**" means a Temporary Global Note or a Permanent Global Note, in either case where the applicable Final Terms specify that the Notes are not in NGN form;

"**Clearstream, Luxembourg**" means Clearstream Banking S.A.;

"**Code**" means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986;

"**Conditions**" means, in relation to the Notes of any Series, the terms and conditions endorsed on or incorporated by reference into the Note or Notes constituting the Series, the terms and conditions being in or substantially in the form set out in Schedule 2 or in such other form, having regard to the terms of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer as completed by the applicable Final Terms;

"**Coupon**" means an interest coupon appertaining to a Definitive Note (other than a Zero Coupon Note), the coupon being:

- (a) if appertaining to a Fixed Rate Note, in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part IVA of Schedule 6 or in such other form, having regard to the terms of issue of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer; or
- (b) if appertaining to a Floating Rate Note, in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part IV B of Schedule 6 or in such other form, having regard to the terms of issue of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer; or
- (c) if appertaining to a Definitive Note which is neither a Fixed Rate Note nor a Floating Rate Note, in such form as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer,

and includes, where applicable, the Talon(s) appertaining to the relevant Note and any replacements for Coupons and Talons issued pursuant to Condition 11;

"Couponholders" means the several persons who are for the time being holders of the Coupons and shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include the holders of Talons;

"Definitive Note" means a Note in definitive form issued or, as the case may require, to be issued by the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer in exchange for all or (in the case of a Temporary Global Note) part of a Global Note, the Definitive Note being in or substantially in the form set out in Part III of Schedule 6 with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer and having the Conditions endorsed on it or, if permitted by the relevant authority or authorities and agreed by the Issuer and the relevant Dealer, incorporated in it by reference and having the applicable Final Terms (or the relevant provisions of the applicable Final Terms) either incorporated in it or endorsed on it and (except in the case of a Zero Coupon Note) having Coupons and, where appropriate, Talons attached to it on issue;

"Distribution Compliance Period" has the meaning given to that term in Regulation S under the Securities Act;

"EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule" means the document described as such, then in effect, and published by the Loan Market Association (or any successor person) from time to time;

"Euroclear" means Euroclear Bank SA/NV;

"Eurosystem-eligible NGN" means an NGN which is intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility, as notified by or on behalf of the Issuer to the ICSDs;

"FATCA Withholding" means any withholding or deduction required pursuant to an agreement described in Section 1471(b) of the Code or otherwise imposed pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code (or any regulations thereunder or official interpretations thereof) or an intergovernmental agreement between the United States and another jurisdiction facilitating the implementation thereof including, for the avoidance of doubt, the intergovernmental agreement between the United States and Norway (or any law implementing such an intergovernmental agreement);

"FFI" means a "foreign financial institution" as such term is defined pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code and any regulations thereunder or official interpretations thereof;

"Fixed Rate Note" means a Note on which interest is calculated at a fixed rate payable in arrear on one or more Interest Payment Dates in each year as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer, as indicated in the applicable Final Terms;

"Floating Rate Note" means a Note on which interest is calculated at a floating rate, payable in arrear on one or more Interest Payment Dates in each year as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer, as indicated in the applicable Final Terms;

"Global Note" means a Temporary Global Note and/or a Permanent Global Note, as the context may require;

"ICSDs" means Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg;

"Interest Commencement Date" means, in the case of interest-bearing Notes, the date specified in the applicable Final Terms from and including which the Notes bear interest, which may or may not be the Issue Date;

"Issue Date" means, in respect of any Note, the date of issue and purchase of the Note under clause 2 of the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer being, in the case of any Definitive Note represented initially by a Global Note, the same date as the date of issue of the Global Note which initially represented the Note;

"Issue Price" means the price, generally expressed as a percentage of the nominal amount of the Notes, at which the Notes will be issued;

"Make-Whole Agent" means an independent investment bank, commercial bank, stockbroker, financial institution or adviser with appropriate expertise appointed by the Issuer at its own expense;

"NGN" means a Temporary Global Note or a Permanent Global Note, in either case where the applicable Final Terms specify that the Notes are in NGN form;

"Noteholders" means the several persons who are for the time being the bearers of Notes save that, in respect of the Notes of any Series, for so long as the Notes or any part of them are represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg each person (other than Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or of Clearstream, Luxembourg as the holder of a particular nominal amount of the Notes of the Series (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as to the nominal amount of the Notes standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall be deemed to be the holder of that nominal amount of Notes (and the bearer of the relevant Global Note shall be deemed not to be the holder) for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest on the Notes, for which purpose the bearer of the relevant Global Note shall be treated by the Issuer and any Paying Agent as the holder of the Notes in accordance with and subject to the terms of the relevant Global Note and the expressions "**Noteholder**", "**holder of Notes**" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly;

"outstanding" means, in relation to the Notes of any Series, all the Notes issued other than:

- (a) those Notes which have been redeemed and cancelled pursuant to the Conditions;
- (b) those Notes in respect of which the date for redemption in accordance with the Conditions has occurred and the redemption moneys (including all interest (if any) accrued to the date for redemption and any interest (if any) payable under the Conditions after that date) have been duly paid to or to the order of the Agent in the manner provided in this Agreement (and where appropriate notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders in accordance with the Conditions) and remain available for payment against presentation of the relevant Notes and/or Coupons;
- (c) those Notes which have been purchased and cancelled in accordance with the Conditions;
- (d) those Notes in respect of which claims have become prescribed under the Conditions;
- (e) those mutilated or defaced Notes which have been surrendered and cancelled and in respect of which replacements have been issued under the Conditions;

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- (f) (for the purpose only of ascertaining the nominal amount of the Notes outstanding and without prejudice to the status for any other purpose of the relevant Notes) those Notes which are alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed and in respect of which replacements have been issued under the Conditions; and
 - (g) any Temporary Global Note to the extent that it has been exchanged for Definitive Notes or a Permanent Global Note and any Permanent Global Note to the extent that it has been exchanged for Definitive Notes in each case under its provisions,

provided that for the purposes of:

- (i) attending and voting at any meeting of the Noteholders of the Series; and
- (ii) determining how many and which Notes of the Series are for the time being outstanding for the purposes of Condition 15 and paragraphs 2, 5 and 6 of Schedule 5,

those Notes (if any) which are for the time being held by or for the benefit of the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer shall (unless and until ceasing to be so held) be deemed not to remain outstanding;

"Participating FFI" means an FFI that, as from the effective date of any rules requiring withholding on "passthru payments" (as such term is defined pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code and any regulations thereunder or official interpretations thereof), meets the requirements of Section 1471(b) of the Code and any regulations or other official guidance issued thereunder and that has not elected to be withheld upon pursuant to Section 1471(b)(3) of the Code;

"Permanent Global Note" means a global note in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part II of Schedule 6 together with the copy of the applicable Final Terms attached to it with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer, comprising some or all of the Notes of the same Series issued by the Issuer under the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer;

"Principal Subsidiary" of the Issuer means at any time a Subsidiary of the Issuer:

- (a) whose gross revenues attributable to the Issuer (consolidated in the case of a Subsidiary which itself has Subsidiaries) or whose total assets (consolidated in the case of a Subsidiary which itself has Subsidiaries) represent in each case (or, in the case of a Subsidiary acquired after the end of the financial period to which the then latest relevant audited consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries relate, are equal to) not less than 10 per cent. of the consolidated gross revenues attributable to the shareholders of the Issuer, or, as the case may be, consolidated total assets, of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, all as calculated respectively by reference to the then latest audited accounts (consolidated or, as the case may be, unconsolidated) of such Subsidiary and the then latest audited consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, provided that:
 - (i) in the case of a Subsidiary acquired after the end of the financial period to which the then latest relevant audited consolidated accounts relate, the reference to the then latest audited consolidated accounts for the purposes of the calculation above shall, until consolidated accounts for the financial period in which the acquisition is made have been prepared and audited as stated above, be deemed to be a reference to such first-mentioned accounts as if such

Subsidiary had been shown in such accounts by reference to its then latest relevant audited accounts, adjusted as deemed appropriate by the Auditors of the Issuer; and

- (ii) if, in the case of a Subsidiary which itself has Subsidiaries, no consolidated accounts are prepared and audited, its consolidated gross revenues attributable to the Issuer and consolidated total assets shall be determined on the basis of pro forma consolidated accounts of the relevant Subsidiary and its Subsidiaries prepared and audited for this purpose by the Auditors of the Issuer or the Auditors for the time being of the relevant Subsidiary; or
- (b) to which is transferred the whole or substantially the whole of the undertaking and assets of a Subsidiary of the Issuer which immediately prior to such transfer is a Principal Subsidiary of the Issuer, provided that the transferor Subsidiary shall upon such transfer forthwith cease to be a Principal Subsidiary of the Issuer and the transferee Subsidiary shall cease to be a Principal Subsidiary of the Issuer pursuant to this subparagraph (b) on the date on which the consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries for the financial period current at the date of such transfer have been prepared and audited as aforesaid but so that such transferor Subsidiary or such transferee Subsidiary may be a Principal Subsidiary of the Issuer on or at any time after the date on which such consolidated accounts have been prepared and audited as aforesaid by virtue of the provisions of subparagraph (a) above or before, on or at any time after such date by virtue of the provisions of this subparagraph (b) or subparagraph (c) below; or
- (c) to which is transferred an undertaking or assets which, taken together with the undertaking or assets of the transferee Subsidiary, generated (or, in the case of the transferee Subsidiary being acquired after the end of the financial period to which the then latest relevant audited consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries relate, generate gross revenues attributable to the Issuer equal to) not less than 10 per cent. of the consolidated gross revenues attributable to the shareholders of the Issuer, or represent (or, in the case stated above, are equal to) not less than 10 per cent. of the consolidated total assets, of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, all as calculated as referred to in subparagraph (a) above, provided that the transferor Subsidiary (if a Principal Subsidiary of the Issuer) shall upon such transfer forthwith cease to be a Principal Subsidiary of the Issuer unless immediately following such transfer its undertaking and assets generate (or, in the case stated above, generate gross revenues attributable to the Issuer equal to) not less than 10 per cent. of the consolidated gross revenues attributable to the shareholders of the Issuer, or its assets represent (or, in the case stated above, are equal to) not less than 10 per cent. of the consolidated total assets, of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, all as calculated as referred to in subparagraph (a) above, and the transferee Subsidiary shall cease to be a Principal Subsidiary of the Issuer pursuant to this subparagraph (c) on the date on which the consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries for the financial period current at the date of such transfer have been prepared and audited but so that such transferor Subsidiary or such transferee Subsidiary may be a Principal Subsidiary of the Issuer on or at any time after the date on which such consolidated accounts have been prepared and audited as stated above by virtue of the provisions of subparagraph (a) above or before, on or at any time after such date by virtue of the provisions of this subparagraph (c) or subparagraph (b) above.

For the purposes of this definition if there shall at any time not be any relevant audited consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, references thereto herein shall be

deemed to refer to a consolidation by the auditors of the Issuer of the relevant audited accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries.

A report by the Auditors of the Issuer that in their opinion a Subsidiary of the Issuer is or is not or was or was not at any particular time or throughout any specified period a Principal Subsidiary of the Issuer shall, in the absence of manifest error, be conclusive and binding on all parties;

"Programme Agreement" means the amended and restated programme agreement 1 October 2024 between the Issuer and the Dealers named in it as the same may be amended, modified or restated;

"Put Notice" means a notice in the form set out in Schedule 4;

"Reference Banks" means the principal Euro-zone office of four major banks in the Euro-zone inter-bank market selected by the Issuer on the advice of an investment bank of international repute;

"Relevant Resolution Authority" means, in respect of any BRRD Entity, the resolution authority with the ability to exercise any Bail-in Powers in relation to such BRRD Entity;

"Series" means a Tranche of Notes together with any further Tranche or Tranches of Notes which are (i) expressed to be consolidated and form a single series and (ii) identical in all respects (including as to listing) except for their respective Issue Dates, Interest Commencement Dates and/or Issue Prices and the expressions **"Notes of the relevant Series"** and **"holders of Notes of the relevant Series"** and related expressions shall be construed accordingly;

"Specified Time" means 11.00 a.m. (Brussels time);

"Subsidiary" means any entity which is a subsidiary within the meaning of Section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006;

"Talon" means a talon attached on issue to a Definitive Note (other than a Zero Coupon Note) which is exchangeable in accordance with its provisions for further Coupons appertaining to the Note, the talon being in or substantially in the form set out in Part VI of Schedule 6 or in such other form as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer and includes any replacements for Talons issued pursuant to Condition 11;

"Temporary Global Note" means a global note in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part I of Schedule 6 together with the copy of the applicable Final Terms attached to it with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer, comprising some or all of the Notes of the same Series issued by the Issuer under the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer;

"Tranche" means Notes which are identical in all respects (including as to listing); and

"Zero Coupon Note" means a Note on which no interest is payable.

- (2) (a) In this Agreement, unless the contrary intention appears, a reference to:
- (i) an **"amendment"** includes a supplement, restatement or novation and **"amended"** is to be construed accordingly;

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- (ii) a "**person**" includes any individual, company, unincorporated association, government, state agency, international organisation or other entity;
 - (iii) a law or a provision of a law is a reference to that law or provision as extended, amended or re-enacted;
 - (iv) a clause or schedule is a reference to a clause of, or a schedule to, this Agreement;
 - (v) a person includes its successors and assigns;
 - (vi) a document is a reference to that document as amended from time to time;
 - (vii) a time of day is a reference to London time; and
 - (viii) the "**records**" of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg shall be to the records that each of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg holds for its customers which reflect the amount of such customer's interest in the Notes;
- (b) The headings in this Agreement do not affect its interpretation;
 - (c) Terms defined in the Programme Agreement or the Notes or used in the applicable Final Terms shall have the same meanings in this Agreement, except where the context otherwise requires;
 - (d) All references in this Agreement to costs or charges or expenses shall include any value added tax or similar tax charged or chargeable in respect thereof;
 - (e) All references in this Agreement to Notes shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include any Global Note representing the Notes;
 - (f) All references in this Agreement to principal and/or interest or both in respect of the Notes or to any moneys payable by the Issuer under this Agreement shall be construed in accordance with Condition 6;
 - (g) All references in this Agreement to the "**relevant currency**" shall be construed as references to the currency in which payments in respect of the relevant Notes and/or Coupons are to be made;
 - (h) All references in this Agreement to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system approved by the Issuer and the Agent or as otherwise specified in Part B of the applicable Final Terms; and
 - (i) All references in this Agreement to a Directive include any relevant implementing measure of each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented such Directive.
- (3) For the purposes of this Agreement, the Notes of each Series shall form a separate series of Notes and the provisions of this Agreement shall apply *mutatis mutandis* separately and independently to the Notes of each Series and in this Agreement the expressions "**Notes**",

"**Noteholders**", "**Coupons**", "**Couponholders**", "**Talons**" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly.

- (4) As used herein, in relation to any Notes which are to have a "listing" or be "listed" (i) on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, **listing** and **listed** shall be construed to mean that such Notes have been admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange's regulated market and have been listed on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, and (ii) on any other Stock Exchange within the European Economic Area, **listing** and **listed** shall be construed to mean that Notes have been admitted to trading on a market within that jurisdiction which is a regulated market for the purposes of the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (Directive 2014/65/EU).

2. APPOINTMENT OF AGENTS

- (1) The Agent is appointed, and the Agent agrees to act, as agent of the Issuer, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set out below, for the following purposes:
- (a) completing, authenticating (or procuring the authentication of) and delivering Temporary Global Notes and Permanent Global Notes and (if required) authenticating (or procuring the authentication of) and delivering Definitive Notes;
 - (b) giving effectuation instructions in respect of each Global Note which is a Eurosystem-eligible NGN;
 - (c) exchanging Temporary Global Notes for Permanent Global Notes or Definitive Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with the terms of Temporary Global Notes and, in respect of any such exchange, (i) making all notations on Global Notes which are CGNs as required by their terms and (ii) instructing Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records in respect of all Global Notes which are NGNs;
 - (d) exchanging Permanent Global Notes for Definitive Notes in accordance with the terms of Permanent Global Notes and, in respect of any such exchange, (i) making all notations on Permanent Global Notes which are CGNs as required by their terms and (ii) instructing Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records in respect of all Permanent Global Notes which are NGNs;
 - (e) paying sums due on Global Notes, Definitive Notes and Coupons and instructing Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records in respect of all Global Notes which are NGNs;
 - (f) exchanging Talons for Coupons in accordance with the Conditions;
 - (g) unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, determining the interest and/or other amounts payable in respect of the Notes in accordance with the Conditions;
 - (h) arranging on behalf of and at the expense of the Issuer for notices to be communicated to the relevant Noteholders in accordance with the Conditions;
 - (i) ensuring that, as directed by the Issuer, all necessary action is taken to comply with any reporting requirements of any competent authority in respect of any relevant currency

as may be in force from time to time with respect to the Notes to be issued under the Programme;

- (j) subject to the Procedures Memorandum, submitting to the relevant authority or authorities such number of copies of each Final Terms which relates to Notes which are to be listed as the relevant authority or authorities may require;
 - (k) acting as Calculation Agent in respect of Notes where named as such in the applicable Final Terms; and
 - (l) performing all other obligations and duties imposed upon it by the Conditions, this Agreement and the Procedures Memorandum.
- (2) Each Paying Agent is appointed, and each Paying Agent agrees to act, as paying agent of the Issuer, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set out below, for the purposes of paying sums due on any Notes and Coupons and performing all other obligations and duties imposed upon it by the Conditions and this Agreement.
 - (3) In relation to each issue of Eurosystem-eligible NGNs, the Issuer hereby authorises and instructs the Agent to elect Clearstream, Luxembourg as common safekeeper. From time to time, the Issuer and the Agent may agree to vary this election. The Issuer acknowledges that any such election is subject to the right of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to jointly determine that the other shall act as common safekeeper in relation to any such issue and agrees that no liability shall attach to the Agent in respect of any such election made by it.
 - (4) The obligations of the Paying Agents under this Agreement are several and not joint.
 - (5) In respect of an issue of a Tranche of Notes, the Agent may, having given notice as soon as practicable to the Issuer (such notice to be delivered to the Issuer by no later than 10.00 a.m. (London time) two business days prior to the date on which the applicable Final Terms are to be executed, subject to the Agent having received a draft version of the applicable Final Terms at least 3 business days prior to the date on which the applicable Final Terms are to be executed), decline to act as the Calculation Agent where it would, if so appointed, be unable to perform its obligations as Calculation Agent.

3. ISSUE OF GLOBAL NOTES

- (1) Subject to subclause (4), following receipt of a copy of the applicable Final Terms signed by the Issuer, the Issuer authorises the Agent and the Agent agrees, to take the steps required of the Agent in the Procedures Memorandum.
- (2) For the purpose of subclause (1), the Agent will on behalf of the Issuer if specified in the applicable Final Terms that a Temporary Global Note will initially represent the Tranche of Notes:
 - (a) prepare a Temporary Global Note by attaching a copy of the applicable Final Terms to a copy of the signed master Temporary Global Note;
 - (b) authenticate (or procure the authentication of) the Temporary Global Note;
 - (c) deliver the Temporary Global Note to the specified common depository (if the Temporary Global Note is a CGN) or specified common safekeeper (if the Temporary

Global Note is a NGN) for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and, in the case of a Temporary Global Note which is a Eurosystem-eligible NGN, to instruct the common safekeeper to effectuate the same;

- (d) ensure that the Notes of each Tranche are assigned, as applicable, security numbers (including, but not limited to, common codes and ISINs) which are different from the security numbers assigned to Notes of any other Tranche of the same Series until at least expiry of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche; and
 - (e) if the Temporary Global Note is a NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make the appropriate entries in their records to reflect the initial outstanding aggregate principal amount of the relevant Tranche of Notes.
- (3) For the purpose of subclause (1), the Agent will on behalf of the Issuer if specified in the applicable Final Terms that a Permanent Global Note will represent the Notes on issue:
- (a) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, prepare a Permanent Global Note by attaching a copy of the applicable Final Terms to a copy of the master Permanent Global Note;
 - (b) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, authenticate (or procure the authentication of) the Permanent Global Note;
 - (c) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, deliver the Permanent Global Note to the specified common depositary if the Permanent Global Note is a CGN) or specified common safekeeper (if the Permanent Global Note is a NGN) for Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and, in the case of a Permanent Global Note which is a Eurosystem-eligible NGN, to instruct the common safekeeper to effectuate the same;
 - (d) if the Permanent Global Note is a NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make the appropriate entries in their records to reflect the initial outstanding aggregate principal amount of the relevant Tranche of Notes;
 - (e) in the case of a subsequent Tranche of any Series of Notes, deliver the applicable Final Terms to the specified common depositary or common safekeeper, as the case may be, for attachment to the Permanent Global Note and, in the case where the Permanent Global Note is a CGN, make all appropriate entries on the relevant Schedule to the Permanent Global Note to reflect the increase in its nominal amount or, in the case where the Permanent Global Note is a NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make the appropriate entries in their records to reflect the increased outstanding aggregate principal amount of the relevant Series; and
 - (f) ensure that the Notes of each Tranche are assigned, as applicable, security numbers (including, but not limited to, common codes and ISINs) which are different from the security numbers assigned to the Notes of any other Tranche of the same Series until at least the expiry of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche.
- (4) The Agent shall only be required to perform its obligations under subclause (1) if it holds:

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- (a) a master Temporary Global Note duly executed by a person or persons duly authorised to execute the same on behalf of the Issuer, which may be used by the Agent for the purpose of preparing Temporary Global Notes in accordance with subclause (2);
 - (b) a master Permanent Global Note duly executed by a person or persons duly authorised to execute the same on behalf of the Issuer, which may be used by the Agent for the purpose of preparing Permanent Global Notes in accordance with subclause (3) and clause 4; and
 - (c) signed copies of the applicable Final Terms.
- (5) The Issuer undertakes to ensure that the Agent receives copies of each document specified in subclause (4) in a timely manner.
- (6) Where the Agent delivers any authenticated Global Note to a common safekeeper for effectuation using electronic means, it is authorised and instructed to destroy the Global Note retained by it following its receipt of confirmation from the common safekeeper that the relevant Global Note has been effectuated.

4. EXCHANGE OF GLOBAL NOTES

- (1) The Agent shall determine the Exchange Date for each Temporary Global Note in accordance with its terms. Immediately after determining any Exchange Date, the Agent shall notify its determination to the Issuer, the other Paying Agents, the relevant Dealer, Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg.
- (2) Where a Temporary Global Note is to be exchanged for a Permanent Global Note, the Agent is authorised by the Issuer and instructed:
- (a) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, to prepare and complete a Permanent Global Note in accordance with the terms of the Temporary Global Note applicable to the Tranche by attaching a copy of the applicable Final Terms to a copy of the master Permanent Global Note;
 - (b) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, to authenticate (or procure the authentication of) the Permanent Global Note;
 - (c) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes if the Permanent Global Note is a CGN, to deliver the Permanent Global Note to the common depository which is holding the Temporary Global Note representing the Tranche for the time being on behalf of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg to hold on behalf of the Issuer pending its exchange for the Temporary Global Note;
 - (d) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes if the Permanent Global Note is a NGN, to deliver the Permanent Global Note to the common safekeeper which is holding the Temporary Global Note representing the Tranche for the time being on behalf of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg to effectuate (in the case of a Permanent Global Note which is a Eurosystem-eligible NGN) and to hold on behalf of the Issuer pending its exchange for the Temporary Global Note;
 - (e) in the case of a subsequent Tranche of any Series of Notes if the Permanent Global Note is a CGN, to attach a copy of the applicable Final Terms to the Permanent Global

Note applicable to the relevant Series and to enter details of any exchange in whole or part as stated above; and

- (f) in the case of a subsequent Tranche of any Series of Notes if the Permanent Global Note is a NGN, to deliver the applicable Final Terms to the specified common safekeeper for attachment to the Permanent Global Note applicable to the relevant Series.
- (3) Where a Global Note is to be exchanged for Definitive Notes in accordance with its terms, the Agent is authorised by the Issuer and instructed:
- (a) to authenticate (or procure the authentication of) the Definitive Notes in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; and
 - (b) to deliver the Definitive Notes to or to the order of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg.
- (4) Upon any exchange of all or part of an interest in a Temporary Global Note for an interest in a Permanent Global Note or for Definitive Notes or upon any exchange of all of an interest in a Permanent Global Note for Definitive Notes, the Agent shall (i) procure that the relevant Global Note shall, if it is a CGN, be endorsed by or on behalf of the Agent to reflect the reduction of its nominal amount by the aggregate nominal amount so exchanged and, where applicable, the Permanent Global Note shall be endorsed by or on behalf of the Agent to reflect the increase in its nominal amount as a result of any exchange for an interest in the Temporary Global Note or (ii) in the case of any Global Note which is a NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such exchange. Until exchanged in full, the holder of an interest in any Global Note shall in all respects be entitled to the same benefits under this Agreement as the holder of Definitive Notes and Coupons authenticated and delivered under this Agreement, subject as set out in the Conditions. The Agent is authorised on behalf of the Issuer and instructed (a) in the case of any Global Note which is a CGN, to endorse or to arrange for the endorsement of the relevant Global Note to reflect the reduction in the nominal amount represented by it by the amount so exchanged and, if appropriate, to endorse the Permanent Global Note to reflect any increase in the nominal amount represented by it and, in either case, to sign in the relevant space on the relevant Global Note recording the exchange and reduction or increase, (b) in the case of any Global Note which is a NGN, to instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such exchange and (c) in the case of a total exchange, to cancel or arrange for the cancellation of the relevant Global Note.
- (5) The Agent shall notify the Issuer immediately after it receives a request for the issue of Definitive Notes in accordance with the provisions of a Global Note and the aggregate nominal amount of the Global Note to be exchanged.
- (6) The Issuer undertakes to deliver to the Agent sufficient numbers of executed Definitive Notes with, if applicable, Coupons and Talons attached, to enable the Agent to comply with its obligations under this clause.

5. TERMS OF ISSUE

- (1) The Agent shall cause all Notes delivered to and held by it under this Agreement to be maintained in safe custody and shall ensure that Notes are issued only in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the Conditions and, where applicable, the relevant Global Notes.

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- (2) Subject to the procedures set out in the Procedures Memorandum, for the purposes of clause 3, the Agent is entitled to treat a telephone or facsimile communication from a person purporting to be (and whom the Agent believes in good faith to be) the authorised representative of the Issuer named in the list referred to in, or notified pursuant to, subclause 18(7), or any other list duly provided for the purpose by the Issuer to the Agent, as sufficient instructions and authority of the Issuer for the Agent to act in accordance with clause 3.
 - (3) In the event that a person who has signed a master Global Note held by the Agent on behalf of the Issuer ceases to be authorised as described in subclause 18(7), the Agent shall (unless the Issuer gives notice to the Agent that Notes signed by that person do not constitute valid and binding obligations of the Issuer or otherwise until replacements have been provided to the Agent) continue to have authority to issue Notes signed by that person, and the Issuer warrants to the Agent that those Notes shall be valid and binding obligations of the Issuer. Promptly upon any person ceasing to be authorised, the Issuer shall provide the Agent with replacement master Global Notes and the Agent shall, upon receipt of such replacements, cancel and destroy the master Global Notes held by it which are signed by that person and shall provide the Issuer with a certificate of destruction, specifying the master Global Notes so cancelled and destroyed.
 - (4) The Agent shall provide Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg with the notifications, instructions or information to be given by the Agent to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg.
 - (5) If the Agent pays an amount (the "**Advance**") to the Issuer on the basis that a payment (the "**Payment**") has been or will be received from a Dealer and if the Payment is not received by the Agent on the date the Agent pays the Issuer, the Issuer shall repay to the Agent the Advance and shall pay interest on the Advance (or the unreimbursed portion thereof) from (and including) the date the Advance is made to (but excluding) the earlier of repayment of the Advance or receipt by the Agent of the Payment at a rate quoted at that time by the Agent as its cost of funding the Advance provided that evidence of the basis of such rate is given to the Issuer. For the avoidance of doubt, the Agent shall not be obliged to pay any amount to the Issuer if it has not received satisfactory confirmation that it is to receive the amount from a Dealer.
 - (6) Except in the case of issues where the Agent does not act as receiving bank for the Issuer in respect of the purchase price of the Notes being issued, if on the Issue Date a Dealer does not pay the full purchase price due from it in respect of any Note (the "**Defaulted Note**") and, as a result, the Defaulted Note remains in the Agent's distribution account with Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg after the Issue Date, the Agent will continue to hold the Defaulted Note to the order of the Issuer. The Agent shall notify the Issuer immediately of the failure of the Dealer to pay the full purchase price due from it in respect of any Defaulted Note and, subsequently, shall (a) notify the Issuer immediately on receipt from the Dealer of the full purchase price in respect of any Defaulted Note and (b) pay to the Issuer the amount so received.

6. PAYMENTS

- (1) The Issuer will, before 10.00 a.m. (local time in the relevant financial centre of the currency of payment or, in the case of a payment in euro, Frankfurt time), on each date on which any payment in respect of any Note becomes due under the Conditions, transfer to an account specified by the Agent an amount, subject to any FATCA Withholding, in the relevant currency sufficient for the purposes of the payment in funds settled through such payment system as the Agent and the Issuer may agree.

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- (2) Any funds paid by or by arrangement with the Issuer to the Agent under subclause (1) shall be held in the relevant account referred to in subclause (1) for payment to the Noteholders or Couponholders, as the case may be, until any Notes or matured Coupons become void under Condition 9. In that event the Agent shall repay to the Issuer sums equivalent to the amounts which would otherwise have been repayable on the relevant Notes or Coupons.
 - (3) The Issuer will ensure that no later than 10.00 a.m. (London time) on the second Business Day (as defined below) immediately preceding the date on which any payment is to be made to the Agent under subclause (1), the Agent shall receive a payment confirmation by email or in the form of a SWIFT message from the paying bank of the Issuer. For the purposes of this subclause, "**Business Day**" means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business in the Kingdom of Norway and London.
 - (4) The Agent shall notify each of the other Paying Agents immediately:
 - (a) if it has not by the relevant date set out in subclause 6(1) received unconditionally the full amount in the Specified Currency required for the payment; and
 - (b) if it receives unconditionally the full amount of any sum payable in respect of the Notes or Coupons after that date.

The Agent shall, at the expense of the Issuer, immediately on receiving any amount as described in subparagraph (b), cause notice of that receipt to be published under Condition 14.

- (5) The Agent shall ensure that payments of both principal and interest in respect of a Temporary Global Note will only be made if certification of non-U.S. beneficial ownership as required by U.S. Treasury regulations has been received from Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg in accordance with the terms of the Temporary Global Note.
- (6) Unless it has received notice under subclause (4)(a), each Paying Agent shall pay or cause to be paid all amounts due in respect of the Notes on behalf of the Issuer in the manner provided in the Conditions. If any payment provided for in subclause (1) is made late but otherwise in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the relevant Paying Agent shall nevertheless make payments in respect of the Notes as stated above following receipt by it of such payment.
- (7) If for any reason the Agent considers in its sole discretion that the amounts to be received by it under subclause (1) will be, or the amounts actually received by it are, insufficient, except with respect to any FATCA Withholding, to satisfy all claims in respect of all payments then falling due in respect of the Notes, no Paying Agent shall be obliged to pay any such claims until the Agent has received the full amount of all such payments.
- (8) Without prejudice to subclauses (6) and (7), if the Agent pays any amounts to the holders of Notes or Coupons or to any other Paying Agent at a time when it has not received payment in full in respect of the relevant Notes in accordance with subclause (1) (the excess of the amounts so paid over the amounts so received being the "**Shortfall**"), the Issuer will, in addition to paying amounts due under subclause (1), pay to the Agent on demand interest (at a rate which represents the Agent's cost of funding the Shortfall) on the Shortfall (or the unreimbursed portion thereof) until the receipt in full by the Agent of the Shortfall.
- (9) The Agent shall on demand promptly reimburse each other Paying Agent for payments in respect of Notes properly made by each Paying Agent in accordance with this Agreement and

the Conditions unless the Agent has notified the relevant Paying Agent, prior to its opening of business on the due date of a payment in respect of the Notes, that the Agent does not expect to receive sufficient funds to make payment of all amounts falling due in respect of the Notes.

- (10) Whilst any Notes are represented by Global Notes, all payments due in respect of the Notes shall be made to, or to the order of, the holder of the Global Notes, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Global Notes. On the occasion of each payment, (i) in the case of a CGN, the Paying Agent to which such Global Note was presented for the purpose of making the payment shall cause the appropriate Schedule to the relevant Global Note to be annotated so as to evidence the amounts and dates of the payments of principal and/or interest as applicable or (ii) in the case of any Global Note which is a NGN, the Agent shall instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such payment.
- (11) If the amount of principal and/or interest then due for payment is not paid in full (otherwise than by reason of a deduction required by law to be made or by reason of a FATCA Withholding or a certification required by the terms of a Note not being received), (i) the Paying Agent to which a Note or Coupon (as the case may be) is presented for the purpose of making the payment shall, unless the Note is a NGN, make a record of the shortfall on the relevant Note or Coupon and the record shall, in the absence of manifest error, be *prima facie* evidence that the payment in question has not to that extent been made or (ii) in the case of any Global Note which is a NGN, the Agent shall instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such shortfall in payment.
- (12) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, each Paying Agent shall be entitled to make a withholding or deduction from any payment which it makes under any Notes for or on account of any Tax, if and only to the extent so required by Applicable Law, in which event such Paying Agent shall make such payment after such withholding or deduction has been made and shall account to the relevant Authority within the time allowed for the amount so withheld or deducted or, at its option, shall reasonably promptly after making such payment return to the Issuer the amount so withheld or deducted, in which case, the Issuer shall so account to the relevant Authority for such amount. For the avoidance of doubt, FATCA Withholding is a withholding or deduction which is deemed to be required by Applicable Law for the purposes of this subclause 6(12). In this subclause 6(12), subclause 6(13) and clause 18(11), "**Applicable Law**" means any law or regulation, "**Authority**" means any competent regulatory, prosecuting, Tax or governmental authority in any jurisdiction and "**Tax**" means any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by or on behalf of any Authority having power to tax.
- (13) If, the Issuer determines in its sole discretion that any withholding or deduction for or on account of any Tax will be required by Applicable Law in connection with any payment due to the Paying Agents on any Notes, then the Issuer will be entitled to re-direct or reorganise any such payment in any way that it sees fit in order that the payment may be made without such withholding or deduction provided that any such re-directed or reorganised payment is made through a recognised institution of international standing and such payment is otherwise made in accordance with this Agreement. The Issuer will promptly notify the Paying Agents of any such redirection or reorganisation. For the avoidance of doubt, FATCA Withholding is a withholding or deduction which is deemed to be required by Applicable Law for the purposes of this subclause (13).

7. DETERMINATIONS AND NOTIFICATIONS IN RESPECT OF NOTES AND INTEREST DETERMINATION

(1) Determinations and notifications

- (a) The Agent shall, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, make all the determinations and calculations which it is required to make under the Conditions, all subject to and in accordance with the Conditions.
- (b) The Agent shall not be responsible to the Issuer or to any third party as a result of the Agent having acted on any quotation given by any Reference Bank, Reference Banks Agent or Make-Whole Agent which subsequently may be found to be incorrect.
- (c) The Agent shall promptly notify (and confirm in writing to) the Issuer, the other Paying Agents and (in respect of a Series of Notes listed on a Stock Exchange) the relevant Stock Exchange of each Rate of Interest, Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date and all other amounts, rates and dates which it is obliged to determine or calculate under the Conditions as soon as practicable after their determination and of any subsequent amendments to them under the Conditions.
- (d) The Agent shall use its best endeavours to cause each Rate of Interest, Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date and all other amounts, rates and dates which it is obliged to determine or calculate under the Conditions to be published as required in accordance with the Conditions as soon as possible after their determination or calculation.
- (e) If the Agent does not at any time for any reason determine and/or calculate and/or publish the Rate of Interest, Interest Amount and/or Interest Payment Date in respect of any Interest Period or any other amount, rate or date as provided in this clause, it shall immediately notify the Issuer and the other Paying Agents of that fact.
- (f) Determinations with regard to Notes required to be made by a Calculation Agent specified in the applicable Final Terms shall be made in the manner so specified. Unless otherwise agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer or the Lead Manager, as the case may be, or unless the Agent is the Calculation Agent (in which case the provisions of this Agreement shall apply), those determinations shall be made on the basis of a Calculation Agency Agreement substantially in the form of Schedule 1. Notes of any Series may specify additional duties and obligations of any Paying Agent, the performance of which will be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Paying Agent prior to the relevant Issue Date.

(2) Interest determination

- (a) Where Term Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the Type of Rate, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be either:
 - (i) the offered quotation; or
 - (ii) the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations,

(expressed as a percentage rate per annum), for the Reference Rate which appears or appear, as the case may be, on the Relevant Screen Page as at 11.00 a.m. (Relevant Financial Centre time) on the Interest Determination Date in question plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Agent. If five or more

offered quotations are available on the Relevant Screen Page, the highest (or, if there is more than one highest quotation, one only of those quotations) and the lowest (or, if there is more than one lowest quotation, one only of those quotations) shall be disregarded by the Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of the offered quotations.

- (b) If the Relevant Screen Page is not available or if, in the case of subclause 7(2)(a)(i), no offered quotation appears or, in the case of subclause 7(2)(a)(ii), fewer than three offered quotations appear, in each case as at 11.00 a.m. (Relevant Financial Centre time), the Reference Banks Agent shall request each of the Reference Banks to provide the Reference Banks Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Relevant Financial Centre time) on the Interest Determination Date in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the Reference Banks Agent with offered quotations, the Rate of Interest for the Interest Period shall be the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), all as determined, and notified in writing to the Agent and the Issuer, by the Reference Banks Agent.
- (c) If on any Interest Determination Date one only or none of the Reference Banks provides the Reference Banks Agent with an offered quotation as provided in the preceding paragraph, the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period shall be the rate per annum which the Reference Banks Agent determines, and notifies in writing to the Agent and the Issuer, as being the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the rates, as communicated to (and at the request of) the Reference Banks Agent by the Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Relevant Financial Centre time) on the relevant Interest Determination Date, deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate by leading banks in the Euro-zone inter-bank market plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any) or, if fewer than two of the Reference Banks provide the Reference Banks Agent with offered rates, the offered rate for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate, or the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of the offered rates for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate, at which, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (Relevant Financial Centre time) on the relevant Interest Determination Date, any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the Issuer suitable for the purpose) informs the Reference Banks Agent it is quoting to leading banks in the Euro-zone inter-bank market plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), provided that, if the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the Rate of Interest shall be determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period in place of the Margin relating to that last preceding Interest Period).
- (d) The Issuer and the Agent shall effect such consequential amendments to the provisions of this Agreement as may be required to give effect to the application of Condition 5(e).

8. NOTICE OF ANY WITHHOLDING OR DEDUCTION

- (1) If the Issuer is, in respect of any payment, compelled to withhold or deduct any amount for or on account of taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges as specifically contemplated under the Conditions, it shall give notice of that fact to the Agent as soon as it becomes aware

of the requirement to make the withholding or deduction and shall give to the Agent such information as it shall require to enable it to comply with the requirement.

- (2) Without prejudice to subclause (1), the Issuer shall notify the Paying Agents in the event that it determines that any payment to be made by any Paying Agent under any Notes is a payment which could be subject to FATCA Withholding if such payment were made to a recipient that is generally unable to receive payments free from FATCA Withholding, and the extent to which the relevant payment is so treated, provided, however, that the Issuer's obligation under this subclause (2) shall apply only to the extent that such payments are so treated by virtue of characteristics of the Issuer, such Notes, or both.
- (3) If any Paying Agent is, in respect of any payment of principal or interest in respect of the Notes, compelled to withhold or deduct any amount for or on account of any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges as specifically contemplated under the Conditions, other than arising under subclause (1) or by virtue of the relevant holder failing to satisfy any certification or other requirement in respect of its Notes, it shall give notice of that fact to the Issuer and the Agent as soon as it becomes aware of the compulsion to withhold or deduct.

9. DUTIES OF THE PAYING AGENTS IN CONNECTION WITH EARLY REDEMPTION

- (1) If the Issuer decides to redeem any Notes for the time being outstanding before their Maturity Date (if any) in accordance with the Conditions, the Issuer shall give notice of the decision to the Agent stating the date on which the Notes are to be redeemed and the nominal amount of Notes to be redeemed not less than 15 days before the date on which the Issuer will give notice to the Noteholders in accordance with the Conditions of the redemption in order to enable the Agent to carry out its duties in this Agreement and in the Conditions.
- (2) If some only of the Notes are to be redeemed, the Agent shall, in the case of Definitive Notes, make the required drawing in accordance with the Conditions but shall give the Issuer reasonable notice of the time and place proposed for the drawing and the Issuer shall be entitled to send representatives to attend the drawing and shall, in the case of Notes in global form, coordinate the selection of Notes to be redeemed with Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, all in accordance with the Conditions.
- (3) The Agent shall publish the notice required in connection with any redemption and shall, if applicable, at the same time also publish a separate list of the serial numbers of any Notes in definitive form previously drawn and not presented for redemption. The redemption notice shall specify the date fixed for redemption, the redemption amount, the manner in which redemption will be effected and, in the case of a partial redemption of Definitive Notes, the serial numbers of the Notes to be redeemed. The notice will be published in accordance with the Conditions. The Agent will also notify the other Paying Agents of any date fixed for redemption of any Notes.
- (4) Each Paying Agent will keep a stock of Put Notices and will make them available on demand to holders of Definitive Notes, the Conditions of which provide for redemption at the option of Noteholders. Upon receipt of any Note deposited in the exercise of a put option in accordance with the Conditions, the Paying Agent with which the Note is deposited shall hold the Note (together with any Coupons and Talons relating to it deposited with it) on behalf of the depositing Noteholder (but shall not, save as provided below, release it) until the due date for redemption of the relevant Note consequent upon the exercise of the option, when, subject as provided below, it shall present the Note (and any such unmatured Coupons and Talons) to itself for payment of the amount due together with any interest due on the date of redemption

in accordance with the Conditions and shall pay those moneys in accordance with the directions of the Noteholder contained in the relevant Put Notice. If, prior to the due date for its redemption, an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or the Note becomes immediately due and repayable or if upon due presentation payment of the redemption moneys is improperly withheld or refused, the Paying Agent concerned shall post the Note (together with any such Coupons and Talons) by uninsured post to, and at the risk of, the relevant Noteholder (unless the Noteholder has otherwise requested and paid the costs of insurance to the relevant Paying Agent at the time of depositing the Notes) at the address given by the Noteholder in the relevant Put Notice. At the end of each period for the exercise of any put option, each Paying Agent shall promptly notify the Agent of the principal amount of the Notes in respect of which the option has been exercised with it together with their serial numbers and the Agent shall promptly notify those details to the Issuer.

10. RECEIPT AND PUBLICATION OF NOTICES

- (1) Immediately after it receives a demand or notice from any Noteholder in accordance with the Conditions, the Agent shall forward a copy to the Issuer.
- (2) On behalf of and at the request and expense of the Issuer, the Agent shall cause to be published all notices required to be given by the Issuer to the Noteholders in accordance with the Conditions.

11. CANCELLATION OF NOTES, COUPONS AND TALONS

- (1) All Notes which are redeemed, all Global Notes which are exchanged in full, all Coupons which are paid and all Talons which are exchanged shall be cancelled by the Paying Agent by which they are redeemed, exchanged or paid. In addition, the Issuer shall immediately notify the Agent in writing of all Notes which are purchased on behalf of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries and all such Notes surrendered to a Paying Agent for cancellation, together (in the case of Definitive Notes) with all unmatured Coupons or Talons (if any) attached to them or surrendered with them, shall be cancelled by the Paying Agent to which they are surrendered. Each of the Paying Agents shall give to the Agent details of all payments made by it and shall deliver all cancelled Notes, Coupons and Talons to the Agent or as the Agent may specify.
- (2) The Agent shall, at the request of the Issuer, deliver to the Issuer as soon as reasonably practicable after the date of each repayment, payment, cancellation or replacement, as the case may be, a certificate stating:
 - (a) the aggregate nominal amount of Notes which have been redeemed and the aggregate amount paid in respect of them;
 - (b) the number of Notes cancelled together (in the case of Notes in definitive form) with details of all unmatured Coupons or Talons attached to them or delivered with them;
 - (c) the aggregate amount paid in respect of interest on the Notes;
 - (d) the total number by maturity date of Coupons and Talons cancelled; and
 - (e) (in the case of Definitive Notes) the serial numbers of the Notes.
- (3) The Agent shall destroy all cancelled Notes, Coupons and Talons and, immediately following their destruction, send to the Issuer a certificate stating the serial numbers of the Notes (in the

case of Notes in definitive form) and the number by maturity date of Coupons and Talons destroyed.

- (4) Without prejudice to the obligations of the Agent under subclause (2), the Agent shall keep a full and complete record of all Notes, Coupons and Talons (other than serial numbers of Coupons) and of their redemption, purchase on behalf of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries and cancellation, payment or replacement (as the case may be) and of all replacement Notes, Coupons or Talons issued in substitution for mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes, Coupons or Talons. The Agent shall in respect of the Coupons of each maturity retain (in the case of Coupons other than Talons) until the expiry of ten years from the Relevant Date in respect of such Coupons and (in the case of Talons) indefinitely either all paid or exchanged Coupons of that maturity or a list of the serial numbers of Coupons of that maturity still remaining unpaid or unexchanged. The Agent shall at all reasonable times make the record available to the Issuer and any persons authorised by it for inspection and for the taking of copies of it or extracts from it.
- (5) The Agent is authorised by the Issuer and instructed (a) in the case of any Global Note which is a CGN, to endorse or to arrange for the endorsement of the relevant Global Note to reflect the reduction in the nominal amount represented by it by the amount so redeemed or purchased and cancelled and (b) in the case of any Global Note which is a NGN, to instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such redemption or purchase and cancellation, as the case may be; provided that, in the case of a purchase or cancellation, the Issuer has notified the Agent of the same in accordance with clause 11(1).

12. ISSUE OF REPLACEMENT NOTES, COUPONS AND TALONS

- (1) The Issuer will cause a sufficient quantity of additional forms of Notes, Coupons and Talons to be available, upon request, to the Agent at its specified office for the purpose of issuing replacement Notes, Coupons and Talons as provided below.
- (2) The Agent will, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions and this clause, cause to be delivered any replacement Notes, Coupons and Talons which the Issuer may determine to issue in place of Notes, Coupons and Talons which have been lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed.
- (3) In the case of a mutilated or defaced Note, the Agent shall ensure that (unless otherwise covered by such indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require) any replacement Note will only have attached to it Coupons and Talons corresponding to those (if any) attached to the mutilated or defaced Note which is presented for replacement.
- (4) The Agent shall obtain verification in the case of an allegedly lost, stolen or destroyed Note, Coupon or Talon in respect of which the serial number is known, that the Note, Coupon or Talon has not previously been redeemed, paid or exchanged, as the case may be. The Agent shall not issue any replacement Note, Coupon or Talon unless and until the claimant shall have:
 - (a) paid the costs and expenses incurred in connection with the issue;
 - (b) provided it with such evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require; and
 - (c) in the case of any mutilated or defaced Note, Coupon or Talon, surrendered it to the Agent.

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- (5) The Agent shall cancel any mutilated or defaced Notes, Coupons and Talons in respect of which replacement Notes, Coupons and Talons have been issued under this clause and shall, at the request of the Issuer, furnish the Issuer with a certificate stating the serial numbers of the Notes, Coupons and Talons cancelled and, unless otherwise instructed by the Issuer in writing, shall destroy the cancelled Notes, Coupons and Talons and give to the Issuer a destruction certificate containing the information specified in subclause 11(3).
 - (6) The Agent shall, on issuing any replacement Note, Coupon or Talon, immediately inform the Issuer and the other Paying Agents of the serial number of the replacement Note, Coupon or Talon issued and (if known) of the serial number of the Note, Coupon or Talon in place of which the replacement Note, Coupon or Talon has been issued. Whenever replacement Coupons or Talons are issued, the Agent shall also notify the other Paying Agents of the maturity dates of the lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed Coupons or Talons and of the replacement Coupons or Talons issued.
 - (7) The Agent shall keep a full and complete record of all replacement Notes, Coupons and Talons issued and shall make the record available at all reasonable times to the Issuer and any persons authorised by it for inspection and for the taking of copies of it or extracts from it.
 - (8) Whenever any Note, Coupon or Talon for which a replacement Note, Coupon or Talon has been issued and in respect of which the serial number is known is presented to a Paying Agent for payment, the relevant Paying Agent shall immediately send notice of that fact to the Issuer and the other Paying Agents.
 - (9) The Paying Agents shall issue further Coupon sheets against surrender of Talons. A Talon so surrendered shall be cancelled by the relevant Paying Agent who (except where the Paying Agent is the Agent) shall inform the Agent of its serial number. Further Coupon sheets issued on surrender of Talons shall carry the same serial number as the surrendered Talon.

13. COPIES OF DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION

Each Paying Agent shall hold available for inspection at its specified office during normal business hours copies of all documents required to be so available by the Conditions of any Notes or the rules of any relevant Stock Exchange (or any other relevant authority). For these purposes, the Issuer shall provide the Paying Agents with sufficient copies of each of the relevant documents. Each Paying Agent shall provide by email to a Noteholder copies of all documents required to be so available by the Conditions of any Notes, following the Noteholder's prior written request and provision of proof of holding and identity (in a form satisfactory to the relevant Paying Agent).

14. MEETINGS OF NOTEHOLDERS

- (1) The provisions of Schedule 5 shall apply to meetings of the Noteholders and shall have effect in the same manner as if set out in this Agreement.
- (2) Without prejudice to subclause (1), each of the Paying Agents on the request of any holder of Notes shall issue voting certificates and block voting instructions in accordance with Schedule 5 and shall immediately give notice to the Issuer in writing of any revocation or amendment of a block voting instruction. Each of the Paying Agents will keep a full and complete record of all voting certificates and block voting instructions issued by it and will, not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for holding a meeting or adjourned meeting,

deposit at such place as the Agent shall approve, full particulars of all voting certificates and block voting instructions issued by it in respect of the meeting or adjourned meeting.

15. COMMISSIONS AND EXPENSES

- (1) The Issuer shall pay to the Agent the fees and expenses (including any applicable value added tax imposed) in respect of the Paying Agents services as separately agreed with the Agent from time to time and the Issuer need not concern itself with their apportionment between the Paying Agents.
- (2) The Issuer shall also pay on demand all out-of-pocket expenses (including without limitation legal, advertising, fax, insurance costs and postage expenses) incurred by the Paying Agents in connection with their services together with any applicable value added tax, sales, stamp, issue, registration, documentary or other taxes or duties.
- (3) The Agent will make payment of the fees and commissions due under this Agreement to the other Paying Agents and will reimburse their expenses promptly after the receipt of the relevant moneys from the Issuer. The Issuer shall not be responsible for any payment or reimbursement by the Agent to the other Paying Agents. The Agent shall have no obligation to act if it believes it will incur costs for which it will not be reimbursed.
- (4) All payments by the Issuer under this clause shall be made free and clear of, and without withholding or deduction for, any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by any government having power to tax, unless such withholding or deduction is required by law. In that event, the Issuer shall pay such additional amounts as will result in receipt by the relevant Paying Agent of such amounts as would have been received by it if no such withholding had been required.
- (5) The parties to this Agreement agree that, at the request of any Paying Agent, the fees and expenses payable under clause 15(1) may be reviewed and increased from time to time in accordance with such Paying Agent's then current fee levels. In addition, each Paying Agent reserves the right at any time and from time to time to charge the Issuer additional fees and expenses in respect of the performance by such Paying Agent of services hereunder in respect of any action to be taken by any Paying Agent in connection with the exercise of the Issuer or Noteholders of any call or put option, exchanges, conversions, solicitations, offers, tenders, or any other process that requires communication with the Noteholders.

16. INDEMNITY

- (1) The Issuer shall indemnify each Paying Agent for an amount equal to any loss, liability, cost, tax (including stamp duty), claim, action, demand or expense (including, but not limited to, all reasonably incurred costs, charges and expenses paid or incurred in disputing or defending any of the foregoing) that such Paying Agent or any of its directors, officers, employees, agents and controlling persons may incur arising out of or in relation to or in connection with its appointment or the exercise of its functions, except such as may result from its own gross negligence, fraud or wilful default or that of its directors, officers, employees, agents or controlling persons.
- (2) Subject to subclause 16(3) below, each Paying Agent shall severally indemnify the Issuer for an amount equal to any loss, liability, cost, tax (including stamp duty) claim, action, demand or expense (including, but not limited to, all reasonably incurred costs, charges and expenses paid or incurred in disputing or defending any of the foregoing) that the Issuer or any of its directors, officers, employees, agents and controlling persons may incur as a result of the material breach

by such Paying Agent of this Agreement or such Paying Agent's gross negligence, fraud or wilful default or that of its directors, officers, employees, agents or controlling persons.

- (3) The Paying Agents shall not be liable for any loss caused by events beyond their reasonable control including any malfunction, interruption or error in the transmission of information caused by any machine or systems or interception of communication facilities, abnormal operating conditions or events of force majeure. Under no circumstances will the Paying Agents be liable to the Issuer or any other party to this Agreement in contract, tort (including negligence) or otherwise for any consequential special, indirect or speculative loss or damage (including but not limited to loss of business, goodwill, opportunity or profit) even if advised of the possibility of such loss or damage. These provisions will override all other provisions of this Agreement.
- (4) The indemnities contained in this clause 16 shall survive any termination of this Agreement.

17. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PAYING AGENTS

- (1) No Paying Agent shall be responsible to anyone with respect to the validity of this Agreement or the Notes or Coupons or for any act or omission by it in connection with this Agreement or any Note or Coupon except for its own negligence, default or bad faith, including that of its officers and employees.
- (2) No Paying Agent shall have any duty or responsibility in the case of any default by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations under the Conditions or, in the case of receipt of a written demand from a Noteholder or Couponholder, with respect to such default, provided however that immediately on receiving notice given by a Noteholder in accordance with Condition 10, the Agent notifies the Issuer of the fact and furnishes it with a copy of the notice.
- (3) Whenever in the performance of its duties under this Agreement a Paying Agent shall deem it desirable that any matter be established by the Issuer prior to taking or suffering any action under this Agreement, such matter may be deemed to be conclusively established by a certificate signed by the Issuer and delivered to the Paying Agent and the certificate shall be a full authorisation to the Paying Agent for any action taken or suffered in good faith by it under the provisions of this Agreement in reliance upon the certificate.

18. CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT

- (1) Each Paying Agent shall be entitled to deal with money paid to it by the Issuer for the purpose of this Agreement in the same manner as other money paid to a banker by its customers except:
 - (a) that it shall not exercise any right of set-off, lien or similar claim in respect of the money; and
 - (b) that it shall not be liable to account to the Issuer for any interest on the money.

Money held by the Paying Agent need not be segregated except as required by law.

- (2) In acting under this Agreement and in connection with the Notes, each Paying Agent shall act solely as an agent of the Issuer and will not assume any obligations towards or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or holders of the Notes, Coupons or Talons.
- (3) Each Paying Agent undertakes to the Issuer to perform its duties, and shall be obliged to perform the duties and only the duties, specifically stated in this Agreement (including

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- Schedule 7 in the case of the Agent), the Conditions and the Procedures Memorandum, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into any of those documents against any Paying Agent, other than the duty to act honestly and in good faith and to exercise the diligence of a reasonably prudent agent in comparable circumstances. Each of the Paying Agents (other than the Agent) agrees that if any information that is required by the Agent to perform the duties set out in Schedule 7 becomes known to it, it will promptly provide such information to the Agent.
- (4) The Agent may consult with legal and other professional advisers and the opinion of the advisers shall be full and complete protection in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered under this Agreement in good faith and in accordance with the opinion of the advisers.
 - (5) Each Paying Agent shall be protected and shall incur no liability in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered in reliance on any instruction from the Issuer or any document which it reasonably believes to be genuine and to have been delivered by the proper party or on written instructions from the Issuer.
 - (6) Any Paying Agent and its officers, directors and employees may become the owner of, and/or acquire any interest in, any Notes, Coupons or Talons with the same rights that they would have had if the Paying Agent concerned were not appointed under this Agreement, and may engage or be interested in any financial or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depositary, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of holders of Notes or Coupons or in connection with any other obligations of the Issuer as freely as if the Paying Agent were not appointed under this Agreement.
 - (7) The Issuer shall provide the Agent with a certified copy of the list of persons authorised to execute documents and take action on its behalf in connection with this Agreement and shall notify the Agent immediately in writing if any of those persons ceases to be authorised or if any additional person becomes authorised together, in the case of an additional authorised person, with evidence satisfactory to the Agent that the person has been authorised.
 - (8) Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law or applicable regulations, the Issuer and each of the Paying Agents shall be entitled to treat the bearer of any Note or Coupon as the absolute owner of it (whether or not it is overdue and notwithstanding any notice of ownership or writing on it or notice of any previous loss or theft of it).
 - (9) None of the Paying Agents shall have any obligation or duty (i) to monitor or inquire as to the performance of the Issuer of its obligations under the Notes, this Agreement or any other relevant documents or (ii) to determine or take any steps to ascertain whether any relevant event under the Notes has occurred.
 - (10) The amount of the Programme may be increased by the Issuer in accordance with the procedure set out in the Programme Agreement. Upon any increase being effected, all references in this Agreement to the amount of the Programme shall be deemed to be references to the increased amount.
 - (11) Each party to this Agreement shall, within ten business days of a written request by another party, supply to that other party such forms, documentation and other information relating to it, its operations or any Notes as that other party reasonably requests for the purposes of that other party's compliance with Applicable Law and shall notify the relevant other party reasonably promptly in the event that it becomes aware that any of the forms, documentation or other information provided by such party is (or becomes) inaccurate in any material respect; provided, however, that no party shall be required to provide any forms, documentation or other information pursuant to this subclause 18(11) to the extent that: (i) any such form,

documentation or other information (or the information required to be provided on such form or documentation) is not reasonably available to such party and cannot be obtained by such party using reasonable efforts; or (ii) doing so would or might in the reasonable opinion of such party constitute a breach of any: (a) Applicable Law; (b) fiduciary duty; or (c) duty of confidentiality. In this subclause 18(11), "**Applicable Law**" and "**Authority**" shall have the meanings set out in subclause 6(12) above.

- (12) If:
- (a) the introduction of or any change in (or in the interpretation, administration or application of) any law or regulation made after the date of this Agreement; or
 - (b) any change in the status of the Issuer or the composition of the shareholders of the Issuer after the date of this Agreement,

obliges the Paying Agent to comply with "know your customer" or similar identification procedures in circumstances where the necessary information is not already available to it, the Issuer shall promptly upon the request of the Paying Agent supply or procure the supply of such documentation and other evidence as is reasonably requested by the Paying Agent in order for the Paying Agent to carry out and be satisfied that it has complied with all necessary "know your customer" or similar checks under all applicable laws or regulations.

- (13) Neither the Issuer, nor any of its subsidiaries, nor, to the best knowledge of the Issuer, any director, officer, employee, agent, affiliate or representative of the Issuer or any such subsidiary or any person in direct or indirect control of the Issuer, is an individual or entity ("**Person**") that is, or is owned or controlled by a Person that:
- (a) is the subject of any sanctions administered or enforced by the U.S. Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("**OFAC**"), the U.S. Department of State, the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, the United Kingdom or any other relevant sanctions authority (collectively, "**Sanctions**");
 - (b) is located, organised or resident in a country or territory that is the subject of any Sanctions; or
 - (c) has any business or financial dealings with any person on OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List, OFAC's Sectoral Sanctions List, or equivalent list relating to Sanctions.

- (14) The Issuer will ensure that proceeds raised in connection with the issue of any Notes will not directly or indirectly be lent, contributed or otherwise made available to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other Person:
- (a) to fund or facilitate any activities or business of or with any Person or in any country or territory that, at the time of such funding or facilitation, is the subject of Sanctions; or
 - (b) in any other manner that will result in a violation of Sanctions by any Person (including any Person participating in the offering, whether as underwriter, advisor, investor or otherwise).

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- (15) Each of the Agent and the Issuer agrees and confirms that it is not entitled to the benefit of or does not make or repeat, as appropriate the representation and warranty contained in clause 18(13) and/or the undertaking contained in clause 18(14) to the extent that those provisions would result in a violation of Council Regulation (EC) 2271/1996 (including as such Regulation forms part of domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018) and/or any associated and applicable national law, instrument or regulation related thereto.

19. COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE PARTIES

A copy of all communications relating to the subject matter of this Agreement between the Issuer and any Paying Agent (other than the Agent) shall be sent to the Agent.

20. CHANGES IN PAYING AGENTS

- (1) The Issuer agrees that, for so long as any Note is outstanding, or until moneys for the payment of all amounts in respect of all outstanding Notes have been made available to the Agent and have been returned to the Issuer, as provided in this Agreement:
- (a) so long as any Notes are listed on any Stock Exchange or admitted to listing by any other relevant authority, there will at all times be a Paying Agent, which may be the Agent, with a specified office in the place required by the rules and regulations of such Stock Exchange or other relevant authority; and
 - (b) there will at all times be an Agent.

In addition, the Issuer shall immediately appoint a Paying Agent having a specified office in New York City in the circumstances described in Condition 6(d). Any variation, termination, appointment or change shall only take effect (other than in the case of insolvency (as provided in subclause (7)) or where the Agent or (as applicable) the relevant Paying Agent is an FFI and does not become, or ceases to be, a FFI, when it shall be of immediate effect) after not less than 30 nor more than 45 days' prior notice shall have been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14.

- (2) If, for any reason, the Agent or any Paying Agent does not become, or ceases to be, a Participating FFI at a time when withholding or deduction of any FATCA Withholding would otherwise be required in respect of any payment from the Issuer to the Agent or (as applicable) the relevant Paying Agent or in respect of any payment due on any Notes, and the Issuer considers in its sole discretion that it may be liable as a result to pay any FATCA Withholding in respect of any payment due on any Notes, then the Issuer will be entitled to re-direct or reorganise any such payment in any way that it sees fit in order that the payment may be made without FATCA Withholding. In addition, the Issuer will be entitled to demand immediate repayment of any amount already paid by it to the Agent or (as applicable) the relevant Paying Agent with respect to any Notes prior to the Agent or (as applicable) the relevant Paying Agent not becoming or ceasing to be a Participating FFI together with interest thereon.
- (3) The Agent and each Paying Agent shall promptly provide written notice to the Issuer if it becomes, or ceases to be, a Participating FFI at a time when a withholding or deduction of any FATCA Withholding would otherwise be required in respect of any payment from the Issuer to the Agent or (as applicable) the relevant Paying Agent or in respect of any amount due on the Notes. In addition, upon receipt of a written request from the Issuer, the Agent and each Paying Agent shall promptly provide written confirmation to the Issuer of its status as a Participating FFI or not, as the case may be, at the relevant time.

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- (4) The Agent may (subject as provided in subclause (6)) at any time resign by giving at least 90 days' written notice to the Issuer specifying the date on which its resignation shall become effective.
 - (5) The Agent may (subject as provided in subclause (6)) be removed at any time by the Issuer on at least 45 days' notice in writing from the Issuer specifying the date when the removal shall become effective.
 - (6) Any resignation under subclause (4) or removal of the Agent under subclauses (5) or (7) shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Agent and (other than in cases of insolvency of the Agent or where the Agent is an FFI and does not become, or ceases to be, a Participating FFI, on notice in writing to that effect, as the case may be) on the expiry of the notice to be given under clause 22. The Issuer agrees with the Agent that if, by the day falling 10 days before the expiry of any notice under subclause (4), the Issuer has not appointed a successor Agent then the Agent shall be entitled, on behalf of the Issuer, to appoint as a successor Agent in its place a reputable financial institution of good standing which the Issuer shall approve (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
 - (7) In case at any time any Paying Agent resigns, or is removed, or becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy or makes an assignment for the benefit of its creditors or consents to the appointment of an administrator, liquidator or administrative or other receiver of all or a substantial part of its property, or admits in writing its inability to pay or meet its debts as they mature or suspends payment of its debts, or if any order of any court is entered approving any petition filed by or against it under the provisions of any applicable bankruptcy or insolvency law or if a receiver of it or of all or a substantial part of its property is appointed or if any officer takes charge or control of it or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation, a successor Paying Agent which shall be a reputable financial institution of good standing may be appointed by the Issuer. Upon the appointment of a successor Paying Agent and acceptance by it of its appointment and (other than in case of insolvency of the Paying Agent when it shall be of immediate effect) upon expiry of the notice to be given under clause 22, the Paying Agent so superseded shall cease to be a Paying Agent under this Agreement.
 - (8) Subject to subclause (1), the Issuer may, after prior consultation with the Agent, terminate the appointment of any of the other Paying Agents at any time and/or appoint one or more further or other Paying Agents by giving to the Agent and to the relevant other Paying Agent at least 45 days' notice in writing to that effect (other than in the case of insolvency).
 - (9) Subject to subclause (1), all or any of the Paying Agents (other than the Agent) may resign their respective appointments under this Agreement at any time by giving the Issuer and the Agent at least 45 days' written notice to that effect.
 - (10) Upon its resignation or removal becoming effective, a Paying Agent shall:
 - (a) in the case of the Agent, immediately transfer all moneys and records held by it under this Agreement to the successor Agent; and
 - (b) be entitled to the payment by the Issuer of the commissions, fees and expenses payable in respect of its services under this Agreement before termination in accordance with the terms of clause 15.

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- (11) Upon its appointment becoming effective, a successor or new Paying Agent shall, without further action, become vested with all the authority, rights, powers, duties and obligations of its predecessor or, as the case may be, a Paying Agent with the same effect as if originally named as a Paying Agent under this Agreement.

21. MERGER AND CONSOLIDATION

Any corporation into which any Paying Agent may be merged or converted, or any corporation with which a Paying Agent may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which a Paying Agent shall be a party, or any corporation to which a Paying Agent shall sell or otherwise transfer all or substantially all of its assets shall, on the date when the merger, conversion, consolidation or transfer becomes effective and to the extent permitted by any applicable laws, become the successor Paying Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of the parties to this Agreement, unless otherwise required by the Issuer and after the said effective date all references in this Agreement to the relevant Paying Agent shall be deemed to be references to such successor corporation. Written notice of any such merger, conversion, consolidation or transfer shall immediately be given to the Issuer by the relevant Paying Agent.

22. NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES TO PAYING AGENTS

Following receipt of notice of resignation from a Paying Agent and after appointing a successor or new Paying Agent or on giving notice to terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent, the Agent (on behalf of and at the expense of the Issuer) shall give or cause to be given not more than 45 days' nor less than 30 days' notice of the fact to the Noteholders in accordance with the Conditions.

23. CHANGE OF SPECIFIED OFFICE

If any Paying Agent determines to change its specified office it shall give to the Issuer and the Agent written notice of that fact giving the address of the new specified office which shall be in the same city and stating the date on which the change is to take effect, which shall not be less than 45 days after the notice. The Agent (on behalf and at the expense of the Issuer) shall within 15 days of receipt of the notice (unless the appointment of the relevant Paying Agent is to terminate pursuant to clause 20 on or prior to the date of the change) give or cause to be given not more than 45 days' nor less than 30 days' notice of the change to the Noteholders in accordance with the Conditions.

24. COMMUNICATIONS

- (1) All communications shall be by electronic communication or letter delivered by hand or (but only where specifically provided in the Procedures Memorandum) by telephone. Each communication shall be made to the relevant party at the email address or address or telephone number and, in the case of a communication by email or letter, marked for the attention of, or (in the case of a communication by telephone) made to, the person or department from time to time specified in writing by that party to the others for the purpose. The initial email address, telephone number and person or department so specified by each party are set out in the Procedures Memorandum.
- (2) A communication shall be deemed received (if by electronic communication) when the relevant receipt of such communication being read is given, or where no read receipt is requested by the sender, at the time of sending, provided that no deliver failure notification is received by the sender within 24 hours of sending such communication, (if by telephone) when made or (if by

letter) when delivered, in each case in the manner required by this clause. However, if a communication is received after business hours on any business day or on a day which is not a business day in the place of receipt it shall be deemed to be received and become effective at the opening of business on the next business day in the place of receipt. Every communication shall be irrevocable save in respect of any manifest error in it.

- (3) Any notice given under or in connection with this Agreement shall be in English. All other documents provided under or in connection with this Agreement shall be:
- (a) in English; or
 - (b) if not in English, accompanied by a certified English translation and, in this case, the English translation shall prevail unless the document is a statutory or other official document.

25. TAXES AND STAMP DUTIES

The Issuer agrees to pay any and all stamp and other documentary taxes or duties other than, for the avoidance of doubt, FATCA Withholding, which may be payable in connection with the execution, delivery, performance and enforcement of this Agreement.

26. CURRENCY INDEMNITY

If, under any applicable law and whether pursuant to a judgment being made or registered against the Issuer or in the liquidation, insolvency or any similar process of the Issuer or for any other reason, any payment under or in connection with this Agreement is made or falls to be satisfied in a currency (the "**other currency**") other than that in which the relevant payment is expressed to be due (the "**required currency**") under this Agreement, then, to the extent that the payment (when converted into the required currency at the rate of exchange on the date of payment or, if it is not practicable for the relevant Paying Agent to purchase the required currency with the other currency on the date of payment, at the rate of exchange as soon thereafter as it is practicable for it to do so or, in the case of a liquidation, insolvency or analogous process, at the rate of exchange on the latest date permitted by applicable law for the determination of liabilities in such liquidation, insolvency or analogous process) actually received by the relevant Paying Agent falls short of the amount due under the terms of this Agreement, the Issuer undertakes that it shall, as a separate and independent obligation, indemnify and hold harmless the Paying Agent against the amount of the shortfall. For the purpose of this clause, "**rate of exchange**" means the rate at which the relevant Paying Agent is able on the London foreign exchange market on the relevant date to purchase the required currency with the other currency and shall take into account any premium and other reasonable costs of exchange.

27. DATA PROTECTION

- (1) The parties acknowledge that, in connection with this Agreement, the Issuer may disclose to the Paying Agent, and the Paying Agents may further process, information relating to individuals ("**Personal Data**") such as individuals associated with the Issuer. The parties confirm that in so doing they will each comply with any applicable Data Protection Laws and, that each is acting as an independent and separate Controller and that no party will place any other party in breach of applicable Data Protection Laws. In this Agreement, "**Data Protections Laws**" means any data protection or privacy laws and regulations, as amended or replaced from time to time, such as (i) the Data Protection Act 2018 and (ii) the General Data Protection Regulation ((EU) 2016/679) ("**GDPR**") or the UK GDPR and any applicable implementing

laws, regulations and secondary legislation, and (iii) any successor legislation to the Data Protection Act 2018 and the GDPR. The terms "**Controller**", "**Personal Data**" and "**Processing**" shall have the meaning given in the Data Protection Laws or, if none, the meaning of any equivalent concepts to those terms as they are defined in the GDPR.

- (2) The Issuer acknowledges that the Paying Agent will Process Personal Data from the Issuer in accordance with and for the purposes set out in any relevant Privacy Notice or Privacy Policy that it makes available to the Issuer from time to time, such as those at <https://corporates.db.com/company/privacy-notice-corporate-bank>. The Issuer will take reasonable steps to bring the content of any such notice to the attention of individuals whose data it discloses to the Paying Agent.

28. AMENDMENTS, SUBSTITUTION AND VARIATION

- (1) The Agent and the Issuer may as to itself agree, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to:
- (i) any modification of this Agreement which is not prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders; or
 - (ii) any modification (except as mentioned in the Conditions) of the Notes, the Coupons or this Agreement which is of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a manifest error or to comply with mandatory provisions of law.

Any modification made under subparagraph (i) or (ii) shall be binding on the Noteholders and the Couponholders and shall be notified to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14 as soon as practicable after it has been agreed.

- (2) If the Issuer decides to substitute any Notes for, or vary the terms of any Notes in accordance with, Condition 7(l) (in the case of Dated Subordinated Notes) or Condition 7(m) (in the case of Senior Preferred Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes), it shall give notice of such intention to the Agent at the latest 15 days before the giving of any such notice of substitution or variation to the Noteholders and which notice to the Agent shall be irrevocable. The Agent shall (subject to the Issuer's compliance with Condition 7(i) and at the expense and cost of the Issuer) use its reasonable endeavours to assist the Issuer in any substitution or variation of Notes pursuant to the processes set out above and Condition 7(l) (in the case of Dated Subordinated Notes) or Condition 7(m) (in the case of Senior Preferred Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes), except that the Agent shall not be obliged to assist in any such substitution or variation if either such substitution or variation would impose, in the Agent's opinion, more onerous obligations upon it or require it to incur any liability for which it is not indemnified and/or secured and/or pre-funded to its satisfaction.

29. ASSIGNMENT

None of the parties to this Agreement is permitted to assign or transfer any of its rights and obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other parties to this Agreement, provided however that, subject to the Agent notifying the Issuer at least 20 business days prior to any such transfer, the Agent may transfer its rights and obligations under this Agreement to any other member of the DB Group without such consent. For the purposes of this clause 29, "**DB Group**" means Deutsche Bank AG and any of its associated companies, branches and subsidiary undertakings from time to time.

30. CONTRACTUAL RECOGNITION OF BAIL-IN

Notwithstanding and to the exclusion of any other term in this Agreement or any other agreements, arrangements, or understandings between or among any of the parties to this Agreement, each of the parties to this Agreement acknowledges, accepts and agrees that a BRRD Liability arising under this Agreement may be subject to the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority, and acknowledges, accepts and agrees to be bound by:

- (1) the effect of the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority in relation to any BRRD Liability of any BRRD Entity to it under this Agreement, that (without limitation) may include and result in any of the following, or some combination thereof:
 - (i) the reduction of all, or a portion, of any BRRD Liability or outstanding amounts due thereon;
 - (ii) the conversion of all, or a portion, of any BRRD Liability into shares, other securities or other obligations of the relevant BRRD Entity or another person, and the issue to or conferral on it of such shares, securities or obligations;
 - (iii) the cancellation of the BRRD Liability; and
 - (iv) the amendment or alteration of any interest, if applicable, thereon, the maturity or the dates on which any payments are due, including by suspending payment for a temporary period; and
- (2) the variation of the terms of this Agreement, as deemed necessary by the Relevant Resolution Authority, to give effect to the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority.

31. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

A person who is not a party to this Agreement has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Agreement, but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from that Act.

32. GOVERNING LAW AND SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION

- (1) This Agreement and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of England.
- (2) To the extent allowed by law, the Issuer irrevocably agrees for the benefit of the Paying Agents that the courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) and that accordingly any suit, action or proceedings (together referred to as "**Proceedings**") arising out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) may be brought in such courts.
- (3) The Issuer irrevocably waives any objection which it may have to the laying of the venue of any Proceedings in any such courts and any claim that any such Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and further irrevocably agrees that a judgment in any Proceedings brought in the English courts shall be conclusive and binding upon it and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction.

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- (4) Nothing contained in this clause shall limit any right to take Proceedings against the Issuer in any other court of competent jurisdiction, nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction, whether concurrently or not.
- (5) The Issuer appoints Law Debenture Corporate Services Limited at its registered office at 8th Floor, 100 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 4AG, England as its agent for service of process, and undertakes that, in the event of Law Debenture Corporate Services Limited ceasing so to act or ceasing to be registered in England, it will appoint another person, as the Agent may approve, as its agent for service of process in England in respect of any Proceedings. Nothing in this clause shall affect the right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

33. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and this has the same effect as if the signatures on the counterparts were on a single copy of this Agreement.

SCHEDULE 1
FORM OF CALCULATION AGENCY AGREEMENT

DATED []

SPAREBANKEN VEST

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EURO MEDIUM TERM NOTE PROGRAMME

CALCULATION AGENCY AGREEMENT

A&O SHEARMAN
ALLEN OVERY SHEARMAN STERLING LLP
LONDON

5. CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT

- (1) In acting under this Agreement and in connection with the Relevant Notes, the Calculation Agent shall act solely as an agent of the Issuer and will not assume any obligations towards or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or holders of the Relevant Notes or the coupons (if any) appertaining to the Relevant Notes (the "**Coupons**").
- (2) In relation to each issue of Relevant Notes, the Calculation Agent shall be obliged to perform the duties and only the duties specifically stated in this Agreement and the Conditions and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Conditions against the Calculation Agent, other than the duty to act honestly and in good faith and to exercise the diligence of a reasonably prudent expert in comparable circumstances.
- (3) The Calculation Agent may consult with legal and other professional advisers and the opinion of the advisers shall be full and complete protection in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered under this Agreement in good faith and in accordance with the opinion of the advisers.
- (4) The Calculation Agent shall be protected and shall incur no liability in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered in reliance on any instruction from the Issuer or any document which it reasonably believes to be genuine and to have been delivered by the proper party or on written instructions from the Issuer.
- (5) The Calculation Agent and any of its officers, directors and employees may become the owner of, or acquire any interest in, any Notes or Coupons (if any) with the same rights that they would have had if the Calculation Agent were not appointed under this Agreement, and may engage or be interested in any financial or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depositary, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of holders of Notes or Coupons or in connection with any other obligations of the Issuer as freely as if the Calculation Agent were not appointed under this Agreement.

6. TERMINATION OF APPOINTMENT

- (1) The Issuer may terminate the appointment of the Calculation Agent at any time by giving to the Calculation Agent at least 45 days' prior written notice to that effect, provided that, so long as any of the Relevant Notes is outstanding:
 - (a) the notice shall not expire less than 45 days before any date on which any calculation is due to be made in respect of any Relevant Notes; and
 - (b) notice shall be given in accordance with the Conditions to the holders of the Relevant Notes at least 30 days before any removal of the Calculation Agent.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subclause (1), if at any time:
 - (a) the Calculation Agent becomes incapable of acting, or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy or makes an assignment for the benefit of its creditors or consents to the appointment of an administrator, liquidator or administrative or other receiver of all or any substantial part of its property, or admits in writing its inability to pay or meet its debts as they may mature or suspends payment of its debts, or if any order of any court is entered approving any petition filed by or against it under the provisions of any applicable bankruptcy or insolvency law or if a receiver of it or of all or a substantial part of its property is appointed or if any officer

takes charge or control of the Calculation Agent or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation; or

- (b) the Calculation Agent fails duly to perform any function or duty imposed on it by the Conditions and this Agreement,

the Issuer may immediately without notice terminate the appointment of the Calculation Agent, in which event notice of the termination shall be given to the holders of the Relevant Notes in accordance with the Conditions as soon as practicable.

- (3) The termination of the appointment of the Calculation Agent under subclause (1) or (2) shall not entitle the Calculation Agent to any amount by way of compensation but shall be without prejudice to any amount then accrued due.
- (4) The Calculation Agent may resign its appointment under this Agreement at any time by giving to the Issuer at least 90 days' prior written notice to that effect. Following receipt of a notice of resignation from the Calculation Agent, the Issuer shall promptly give notice of the resignation to the holders of the Relevant Notes in accordance with the Conditions.
- (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of subclauses (1), (2) and (4), so long as any of the Relevant Notes is outstanding, the termination of the appointment of the Calculation Agent (whether by the Issuer or by the resignation of the Calculation Agent) shall not be effective unless upon the expiry of the relevant notice a successor Calculation Agent has been appointed. The Issuer agrees with the Calculation Agent that if, by the day falling 10 days before the expiry of any notice under subclause (4), the Issuer has not appointed a replacement Calculation Agent, the Calculation Agent shall be entitled, on behalf of the Issuer, to appoint as a successor Calculation Agent in its place a reputable financial institution of good standing which the Issuer shall approve (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed).
- (6) Upon its appointment becoming effective, a successor Calculation Agent shall without any further action, become vested with all the authority, rights, powers, duties and obligations of its predecessor with the same effect as if originally named as the Calculation Agent under this Agreement.
- (7) If the appointment of the Calculation Agent under this Agreement is terminated (whether by the Issuer or by the resignation of the Calculation Agent), the Calculation Agent shall on the date on which the termination takes effect deliver to the successor Calculation Agent any records concerning the Relevant Notes maintained by it (except those documents and records which it is obliged by law or regulation to retain or not to release), but shall have no other duties or responsibilities under this Agreement.
- (8) Any corporation into which the Calculation Agent may be merged or converted, or any corporation with which the Calculation Agent may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Calculation Agent shall be a party, or any corporation to which the Calculation Agent shall sell or otherwise transfer all or substantially all of its assets shall, on the date when the merger, consolidation or transfer becomes effective and to the extent permitted by any applicable laws, become the successor Calculation Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties to this Agreement, unless otherwise required by the Issuer, and after the said effective date all references in this Agreement to the Calculation Agent shall be deemed to be references to such successor corporation. Written notice of any such merger, conversion, consolidation or transfer shall immediately be given to the Issuer and the Agent by the Calculation Agent.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

- (1) All communications shall be by electronic communication or letter delivered by hand. Each communication shall be made to the relevant party at the email address or address and marked for the attention of the person or department from time to time specified in writing by that party to the other for the purpose. The initial email address and person or department so specified by each party are set out in the Procedures Memorandum or, in the case of the Calculation Agent, on the signature page of this Agreement.
- (2) A communication shall be deemed received (if by electronic communication) when the relevant receipt of such communication being read is given, or where no read receipt is requested by the sender, at the time of sending, provided that no deliver failure notification is received by the sender within 24 hours of sending such communication is received or (if by letter) when delivered, in each case in the manner required by this clause. However, if a communication is received after business hours on any business day or on a day which is not a business day in the place of receipt it shall be deemed to be received and become effective at the opening of business on the next business day in the place of receipt. Every communication shall be irrevocable save in respect of any manifest error in it.
- (3) Any notice given under or in connection with this Agreement shall be in English. All other documents provided under or in connection with this Agreement shall be:
 - (a) in English; or
 - (b) if not in English, accompanied by a certified English translation and, in this case, the English translation shall prevail unless the document is a statutory or other official document.

8. DESCRIPTIVE HEADINGS AND COUNTERPARTS

- (1) The descriptive headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not define or limit the provisions hereof.
- (2) This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and this has the same effect as if the signatures on the counterparts were on a single copy of this Agreement.

9. [CONTRACTUAL RECOGNITION OF BAIL-IN]

Notwithstanding and to the exclusion of any other term in this Agreement or any other agreements, arrangements, or understandings between or among any of the parties to this Agreement, each of the parties to this Agreement acknowledges, accepts and agrees that a BRRD Liability arising under this Agreement may be subject to the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority, and acknowledges, accepts and agrees to be bound by:

- (1) the effect of the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority in relation to any BRRD Liability of any BRRD Entity to it under this Agreement, that (without limitation) may include and result in any of the following, or some combination thereof:
 - (i) the reduction of all, or a portion, of any BRRD Liability or outstanding amounts due thereon;

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- (ii) the conversion of all, or a portion, of any BRRD Liability into shares, other securities or other obligations of the relevant BRRD Entity or another person, and the issue to or conferral on it of such shares, securities or obligations;
 - (iii) the cancellation of the BRRD Liability; and
 - (iv) the amendment or alteration of any interest, if applicable, thereon, the maturity or the dates on which any payments are due, including by suspending payment for a temporary period; and
- (2) the variation of the terms of this Agreement, as deemed necessary by the Relevant Resolution Authority, to give effect to the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority.

For the purposes of this clause 9:

"Bail-in Legislation" means, in relation to a member state of the European Economic Area which has implemented, or which at any time implements, the BRRD, the relevant implementing law, regulation, rule or requirement as described in the EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule from time to time;

"Bail-in Powers" means any Write-down and Conversion Powers as defined in the EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule, in relation to the relevant Bail-in Legislation;

"BRRD" means Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on resolution and recovery of credit institutions and investment firms dated 15 May 2014 and published in the Official Journal of the European Union on 12 June 2014, as amended or replaced from time to time;

"BRRD Entity" means any party to this Agreement that is subject to Bail-in Powers;

"BRRD Liability" means a liability in respect of which the relevant Bail-in Powers may be exercised;

"EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule" means the document described as such, then in effect, and published by the Loan Market Association (or any successor person) from time to time; and

"Relevant Resolution Authority" means, in respect of any BRRD Entity, the resolution authority with the ability to exercise any Bail-in Powers in relation to such BRRD Entity.]

10. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

A person who is not a party to this Agreement has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Agreement, but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from that Act.

11. GOVERNING LAW AND SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION

- (1) This Agreement and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of England.
- (2) The Issuer irrevocably agrees for the benefit of the Calculation Agent that the courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with this

Agreement (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) and that accordingly any suit, action or proceedings (together referred to as "**Proceedings**") arising out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) may be brought in such courts.

- (3) The Issuer irrevocably waives any objection which it may have to the laying of the venue of any Proceedings in any such courts and any claim that any Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and further irrevocably agrees that a judgment in any Proceedings brought in the English courts shall be conclusive and binding upon it and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction.
- (4) Nothing contained in this clause shall limit any right to take Proceedings against the Issuer in any other court of competent jurisdiction, nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction, whether concurrently or not.
- (5) The Issuer appoints Law Debenture Corporate Services Limited at its registered office at 8th Floor, 100 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 4AG, England as its agent for service of process, and undertakes that, in the event of Law Debenture Corporate Services Limited ceasing so to act or ceasing to be registered in England, it will appoint another person, as the Calculation Agent may approve, as its agent for the service of process in England in respect of any Proceedings. Nothing in this clause shall affect the right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

This Agreement has been entered into on the date stated at the beginning of this Agreement.

SPAREBANKEN VEST

By:

[CALCULATION AGENT]

[Address of Calculation Agent]

Email: []

Attention: []

By:

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SCHEDULE TO THE CALCULATION AGENCY AGREEMENT

Series number	Issue Date	Maturity Date (if any)	Title and Nominal Amount	NGN [Yes/No]	Annotation by Calculation Agent/Issuer
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SCHEDULE 2

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE NOTES

The following are the Terms and Conditions of the Notes which will be incorporated by reference into each Global Note (as defined below) and each Definitive Note, in the latter case only if permitted by the relevant stock exchange (if any) and agreed by the Issuer and the relevant Dealer at the time of issue but, if not so permitted and agreed, such definitive Note will have endorsed thereon or attached thereto such Terms and Conditions. The applicable Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) will be endorsed upon, or attached to, each Global Note and definitive Note. Reference should be made to "Form of the Notes" for a description of the content of Final Terms which will specify which of such terms are to apply in relation to the relevant Notes.

This Note is one of a Series (as defined below) of Notes issued pursuant to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) by Sparebanken Vest (the **Issuer**).

References herein to the **Notes** shall be references to the Notes of this Series and shall mean:

- (i) in relation to any Notes represented by a global Note (a **Global Note**), units of each Specified Denomination in the Specified Currency;
- (ii) any Global Note; and
- (iii) any definitive Notes issued in exchange for a Global Note.

The Notes and the Coupons (as defined below) have the benefit of an amended and restated Agency Agreement (such Agency Agreement as further amended and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the **Agency Agreement**) dated 1 October 2024, and made between Sparebanken Vest, Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch as fiscal agent and agent bank (the **Agent**, which expression shall include any successor agent) and the other paying agents named therein (together with the Agent, the **Paying Agents**, which expression shall include any additional or successor paying agents).

Interest bearing definitive Notes have interest coupons (**Coupons**) and, if in the case of Notes which, when issued in definitive form, have more than 27 interest payments remaining, talons for further Coupons (**Talons**) attached on issue. Any reference herein to Coupons or coupons shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be deemed to include a reference to Talons or talons. Global Notes do not have Coupons or Talons attached on issue.

The Final Terms for this Note (or the relevant provisions thereof) are set out in Part A of the Final Terms attached to or endorsed on this Note and complete these Terms and Conditions for the purposes of this Note. References to the **applicable Final Terms** are to Part A of the Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) attached to or endorsed on this Note.

Any reference to **Noteholders** or **holders** in relation to any Notes shall mean the holders of the Notes and shall, in relation to any Notes represented by a global Note, be construed as provided below. Any reference herein to **Couponholders** shall mean the holders of the Coupons and shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include the holders of the Talons.

As used herein, **Tranche** means Notes which are identical in all respects (including as to listing and admission to trading) and **Series** means a Tranche of Notes together with any further Tranche or Tranches of Notes which are (i) expressed to be consolidated and form a single series and (ii) identical

in all respects (including as to listing and admission to trading) except for their respective Issue Dates, Interest Commencement Dates and/or Issue Prices.

The Noteholders and the Couponholders are entitled to the benefit of the amended and restated Deed of Covenant (such Deed of Covenant as modified and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the **Deed of Covenant**) dated 11 January 2022 and made by the Issuer. The original of the Deed of Covenant is held by the common depository for Euroclear (as defined below) and Clearstream, Luxembourg (as defined below).

Copies of the Agency Agreement and the Deed of Covenant are available for inspection during normal business hours at the specified office of each of the Paying Agents. If the Notes are to be admitted to trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, the applicable Final Terms will be published on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (<http://www.luxse.com>). The Noteholders and the Couponholders are deemed to have notice of, and are entitled to the benefit of, all the provisions of the Agency Agreement, the Deed of Covenant and the applicable Final Terms which are applicable to them. The statements in these Terms and Conditions include summaries of, and are subject to, the detailed provisions of the Agency Agreement.

Words and expressions defined in the Agency Agreement or used in the applicable Final Terms shall have the same meanings where used in these Terms and Conditions unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise stated and provided that, in the event of inconsistency between the Agency Agreement and the applicable Final Terms, the applicable Final Terms will prevail.

In these Conditions, **euro** means the currency introduced at the start of the third stage of European economic and monetary union pursuant to the Treaty on the functioning of the European Union, as amended.

1. FORM, DENOMINATION AND TITLE

The Notes are in bearer form and, in the case of definitive Notes, serially numbered, in the currency (the **Specified Currency**) and the denomination(s) (the **Specified Denomination(s)**) specified in the applicable Final Terms. Notes of one Specified Denomination may not be exchanged for Notes of another Specified Denomination.

This Note may (i) bear interest calculated by reference to one or more fixed rates of interest (such Note, a **Fixed Rate Note**), (ii) bear interest calculated by reference to, in the case of an initial period, an initial fixed rate of interest and, thereafter, the applicable fixed rate of interest that has been determined pursuant to the reset provisions contained in these Terms and Conditions, by reference to a mid swap rate for the Specified Currency (such Note, a **Reset Note**), (iii) bear interest calculated by reference to one or more floating rates of interest (such Note, a **Floating Rate Note**), (iv) be a combination of any of the foregoing, depending upon the Interest Basis shown in the applicable Final Terms or (v) be issued on a non-interest bearing basis and be offered and sold at a discount to its nominal amount (such Note, a **Zero Coupon Note**).

This Note may also be a Senior Preferred Note, Senior Non-Preferred Note or a Dated Subordinated Note, as indicated in the applicable Final Terms.

Definitive Notes are issued with Coupons attached, unless they are Zero Coupon Notes in which case references to Coupons and Couponholders in these Terms and Conditions are not applicable.

Subject as set out below, title to the Notes and Coupons will pass by delivery. The Issuer and the Paying Agents will (except as otherwise required by law) deem and treat the bearer of any Note or Coupon as the absolute owner thereof (whether or not overdue and notwithstanding any notice of ownership or writing thereon or notice of any previous loss or theft thereof) for all purposes but, in the case of any Global Note, without prejudice to the provisions set out in the next succeeding paragraph.

For so long as any of the Notes is represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Euroclear Bank SA/NV (**Euroclear**) and/or Clearstream Banking S.A. (**Clearstream, Luxembourg**), each person (other than Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or of Clearstream, Luxembourg as the holder of a particular nominal amount of such Notes (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as to the nominal amount of such Notes standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and the Paying Agents as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest on such nominal amount of such Notes, for which purpose the bearer of the relevant Global Note shall be treated by the Issuer and any Paying Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes in accordance with and subject to the terms of the relevant Global Note and the expressions "Noteholder" and "holder of Notes" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly. Notes which are represented by a Global Note will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be.

References to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system specified in the applicable Final Terms.

2. STATUS OF THE SENIOR PREFERRED NOTES AND SENIOR NON-PREFERRED NOTES

(a) Status

This Condition 2(a) applies only to Senior Preferred Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes; references to **Notes** and **Coupons** in Condition 2(a)(i) shall be construed as references to Senior Preferred Notes and the related Coupons and references to **Notes** and **Coupons** in Condition 2(a)(ii) shall be construed as references to Senior Non-Preferred Notes and the related Coupons.

- (i) If the applicable Final Terms specifies the Notes are "Senior Preferred Notes", the Notes and the relative Coupons are direct, unconditional, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves and (save for certain debts required to be preferred by law) at least equally with all other unsecured obligations (other than subordinated obligations, if any) of the Issuer, present and future, from time to time outstanding. So long as any of the Notes remains outstanding (as defined in the Agency Agreement), the Issuer undertakes to ensure that, subject to Condition 4, the obligations of the Issuer under the Notes rank and will rank at least *pari passu* with all other unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and with all its unsecured and unsubordinated obligations under guarantees of obligations of third parties, in each case except for any obligations preferred by mandatory provisions of applicable law.

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- (ii) If the applicable Final Terms specifies the Notes are “Senior Non-Preferred Notes”, the Notes and the relative Coupons are direct, unconditional and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves and subject as set out in the paragraph below, in the event of a liquidation, dissolution, administration or other winding up of the Issuer by way of public administration (except, in any such case, a solvent liquidation, dissolution, or winding-up solely for the purposes of a reorganisation, reconstruction or amalgamation of the Issuer, the terms of which reorganisation, reconstruction or amalgamation have previously been approved by an Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Agency Agreement) of the Noteholders (as defined below) and do not provide that the Notes thereby become redeemable or repayable), claims of the holders of Notes and Coupons against the Issuer in respect of or arising under the Notes and Coupons (including any amounts attributable to the Notes and Coupons and any damages awarded for breach of any obligations thereunder) shall rank:
- (A) *pari passu* without any preference among themselves;
 - (B) *pari passu* with claims in respect of Non-Preferred Parity Securities and Statutory Non-Preferred Claims, if any;
 - (C) in priority to claims in respect of Non-Preferred Junior Securities; and
 - (D) junior to any present or future claims of Senior Creditors.

In these Conditions, the following terms shall bear the following meanings:

BRRD means Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on resolution and recovery of credit institutions and investment firms dated 15 May 2014 and published in the Official Journal of the European Union on 12 June 2014 (or, as the case may be, any provision of Norwegian law transposing or implementing such Directive), as amended or replaced from time to time (including, without limitation, by the BRRD II and the Creditor Hierarchy Directive);

BRRD II means Directive 2019/879/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Directive 2014/59/EU as regards the loss-absorbing and recapitalisation capacity of credit institutions and investment firms and Directive 98/26/EC, as amended or replaced from time to time;

Creditor Hierarchy Directive means Directive (EU) 2017/2399 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2017 amending Directive 2014/59/EU as regards the ranking of unsecured debt instruments in insolvency hierarchy, or any equivalent legislation (or, as the case may be, any provision of Norwegian law transposing or implementing such Directive);

Non-Preferred Junior Securities means all classes of share capital of the Issuer and any obligations of the Issuer ranking or expressed to rank junior to the Senior Non-Preferred Notes (including, *inter alia*, Dated Subordinated Notes and Subordinated Parity Securities (as defined in Condition 3(a)));

Non-Preferred Parity Securities means any unsecured obligations of the Issuer which rank, or are expressed to rank, *pari passu* with the Senior Non-Preferred Notes;

Senior Creditors means (a) depositors of the Issuer and (b) all unsubordinated creditors of the Issuer (including, *inter alia*, holders of Senior Preferred Notes other than creditors in respect of any Non-Preferred Parity Securities and any Statutory Non-Preferred Claims, if any); and

Statutory Non-Preferred Claims means unsecured claims resulting from debt instruments that meet the following conditions:

- (i) the original contractual maturity of the debt instruments is at least one year;
 - (ii) the debt instruments contain no embedded derivatives and are not derivatives themselves; and
 - (iii) the relevant contractual documentation and, where applicable, the prospectus related to the issuance explicitly refer to the lower ranking under this paragraph.
- (b) *Set-off*

This Condition 2(b) applies to (i) Senior Preferred Notes in respect of which the applicable Final Terms specifies that this Condition 2(b) is applicable and (ii) Senior Non-Preferred Notes, and references to **Notes** in this Condition 2(b) shall be construed accordingly.

No holder of Notes who becomes, in the event of a liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the Issuer by way of public administration, indebted to the Issuer shall be entitled to exercise any right of set-off or counterclaim against moneys owed by the Issuer in respect of the Notes held by such holder of Notes. If, notwithstanding the preceding sentence, any holder of Notes receives or recovers any sum or the benefit of any sum in respect of any Note or Coupon by virtue of any such set-off or counterclaim, such holder of Notes shall hold the same for the benefit of the Issuer in a manner that protects against claims from creditors of such holder of Notes, and shall pay the amount thereof to the Issuer or, in the event of the winding up of the Issuer, to the liquidator of the Issuer.

3. STATUS OF THE DATED SUBORDINATED NOTES

(a) *Status*

This Condition 3 applies only to Dated Subordinated Notes and references to **Notes** and **Coupons** in this Condition 3 shall be construed accordingly.

The Notes and the Coupons constitute unsecured obligations of the Issuer, subordinated as described below. In the event of a liquidation, dissolution, administration or other winding-up of the Issuer by way of public administration, claims of the holders of Notes and Coupons against the Issuer in respect of or arising under the Notes and Coupons (including any amounts attributable to the Notes and Coupons and any damages awarded for breach of any obligations thereunder) shall rank:

- (i) *pari passu* without any preference among themselves;
- (ii) at least *pari passu* with claims in respect of Subordinated Parity Securities;
- (iii) in priority to claims in respect of Subordinated Junior Securities; and
- (iv) junior to any present or future claims of Specified Senior Creditors.

In these Conditions, the following terms shall bear the following meanings:

Additional Tier 1 Capital means additional Tier 1 capital as defined in the CRR, as amended or replaced;

FSAN means The Financial Supervisory Authority of Norway (*Finanstilsynet*);

Relevant Regulator means FSAN and any successor or replacement thereto, or other authority having primary responsibility for the prudential oversight and supervision of the Issuer and/or (in the case of Senior Non-Preferred Notes) the Relevant Resolution Authority (as defined in Condition 19) (if applicable), in any case as determined by the Issuer;

Specified Senior Creditors means (a) depositors of the Issuer, (b) other unsubordinated creditors of the Issuer and (c) subordinated creditors (excluding creditors in respect of Subordinated Parity Securities and Subordinated Junior Securities) of the Issuer in respect of any present or future obligation, whether dated or undated, of the Issuer which by its terms is, or is expressed to be, subordinated in the event of liquidation, dissolution, administration or other winding up of the Issuer by way of public administration, to the claims of depositors and all other unsubordinated creditors of the Issuer;

Subordinated Junior Securities means all classes of share capital of the Issuer and any obligations of the Issuer ranking or expressed to rank junior to the Notes (which shall include, for the avoidance of doubt, any obligations of the Issuer which are recognised as Additional Tier 1 Capital by the Relevant Regulator);

Subordinated Parity Securities means any present or future instruments issued by the Issuer which are eligible to be recognised as Tier 2 capital from time to time by the Relevant Regulator, any guarantee, indemnity or other contractual support arrangement entered into by the Issuer in respect of securities (regardless of name or designation) issued by a subsidiary of the Issuer which are eligible to be recognised as Tier 2 capital and any instruments issued, and subordinated guarantees, indemnities or other contractual support arrangements entered into, by the Issuer which rank, or are expressed to rank, *pari passu* therewith, but excluding Subordinated Junior Securities; and

Tier 2 capital means Tier 2 capital as defined in the CRR, as amended or replaced.

The foregoing is subject to the application of mandatory provisions of Norwegian law such that those mandatory provisions shall apply and supersede the provisions of this Condition 3. For the avoidance of doubt, such mandatory provisions shall include the provisions of the Norwegian Financial Institutions Act Section 20-32 (as amended and/or supplemented from time to time).

(b) *Set-off*

This Condition 3(b) applies to Dated Subordinated Notes.

No holder of Notes who becomes, in the event of a liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the Issuer by way of public administration, indebted to the Issuer shall be entitled to exercise any right of set-off or counterclaim against moneys owed by the Issuer in respect of the Notes held by such holder of Notes. If, notwithstanding the preceding sentence, any holder of Notes receives or recovers any sum or the benefit of any sum in respect of any Note or Coupon by virtue of any such set-off or counterclaim, such holder of Notes shall hold the same for the

benefit of the Issuer in a manner that protects against claims from creditors of such holder of Notes, and shall pay the amount thereof to the Issuer or, in the event of the winding up of the Issuer, to the liquidator of the Issuer.

4. **NEGATIVE PLEDGE**

This Condition 4 is applicable only in relation to Senior Preferred Notes in respect of which the applicable Final Terms specify that this Condition 4 is applicable, and references to **Notes** in this Condition 4 shall be construed accordingly. This Condition 4 shall not be applicable to any Senior Non-Preferred Notes or any Dated Subordinated Notes.

So long as any Note remains outstanding (as defined in the Agency Agreement), the Issuer shall not create or permit to subsist any Security Interest upon the whole or any part of its present or future undertaking, assets or revenues to secure any Relevant Indebtedness or Guarantee of Relevant Indebtedness without (a) at the same time or prior thereto securing the Notes equally and rateably therewith or (b) providing such other security for the Notes as may be approved by an Extraordinary Resolution (as defined in the Agency Agreement) of the Noteholders.

In these Conditions:

Guarantee means, in relation to any indebtedness for money borrowed or raised of any Person, any obligation of another Person to pay such indebtedness for money borrowed or raised;

Indebtedness means any indebtedness of any Person for money borrowed or raised;

Person means any individual, company, corporation, firm, partnership, joint venture, association, organisation, state or agency of a state or other entity, whether or not having separate legal personality;

Relevant Indebtedness means any Indebtedness which is in the form of or represented by any bond, note, debenture, debenture stock, loan stock, certificate or other instrument which is, or is capable of being listed, quoted or traded on any stock exchange or in any securities market (including without limitation, any over-the-counter market); and

Security Interest means any mortgage, charge, pledge, lien or other security interest including, without limitation, anything analogous to any of the foregoing under the laws of any jurisdiction.

5. **INTEREST**

(a) *Interest on Fixed Rate Notes*

Each Fixed Rate Note bears interest from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date specified in the applicable Final Terms at the rate(s) per annum equal to the Rate(s) of Interest so specified in the applicable Final Terms. Interest will be payable in arrear on the Interest Payment Date(s) in each year up to (and including) the Maturity Date. For so long as any of the Fixed Rate Notes is represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Euroclear, interest will be calculated on the full nominal amount outstanding of the Fixed Rate Notes and will be paid to Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear for distribution by them to entitled accountholders in accordance with their usual rules and operating procedures. In respect of each definitive Fixed Rate Note, interest will be calculated on its outstanding nominal amount.

If the Notes are in definitive form, except as provided in the applicable Final Terms, the amount of interest payable on each Interest Payment Date in respect of the Fixed Interest Period ending on (but excluding) such date will amount to the Fixed Coupon Amount. Payments of interest on any Interest Payment Date will, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, amount to the Broken Amount so specified.

As used in these Terms and Conditions, **Fixed Interest Period** means the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date.

If interest is required to be calculated for a period other than a Fixed Interest Period or if, in the case of Notes in definitive form, no Fixed Coupon Amount is specified in the applicable Final Terms, such interest shall be calculated by applying the Rate of Interest to:

- (A) in the case of Fixed Rate Notes which are represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Euroclear, the full nominal amount outstanding of the Fixed Rate Notes; or
- (B) in the case of Fixed Rate Notes in definitive form, the Calculation Amount;

and, in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Fixed Rate Note in definitive form comprises more than one Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Fixed Rate Note shall be the aggregate of the amounts (determined in the manner provided above) for each Calculation Amount comprising the Specified Denomination without any further rounding.

In these Terms and Conditions:

Day Count Fraction means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest in accordance with this Condition 5(a):

- (i) if "Actual/Actual (ICMA)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms:
 - (a) in the case of Notes where the number of days in the relevant period from (and including) the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the relevant payment date (the **Accrual Period**) is equal to or shorter than the Determination Period during which the Accrual Period ends, the number of days in such Accrual Period divided by the product of (1) the number of days in such Determination Period and (2) the number of Determination Dates (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) that would occur in one calendar year; or
 - (b) in the case of Notes where the Accrual Period is longer than the Determination Period during which the Accrual Period ends, the sum of:
 - (1) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the Determination Period in which the Accrual Period begins divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Dates (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) that would occur in one calendar year; and

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- (2) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the next Determination Period divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Dates that would occur in one calendar year; and
- (ii) if "30/360" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the period from (and including) the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the relevant payment date (such number of days being calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months) divided by 360.

Determination Period means each period from (and including) a Determination Date to but excluding the next Determination Date (including, where either the Interest Commencement Date or the final Interest Payment Date is not a Determination Date, the period commencing on the first Determination Date prior to, and ending on the first Determination Date falling after, such date); and

sub-unit means, with respect to any currency other than euro, the lowest amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country of such currency and, with respect to euro, means one cent.

(b) *Interest on Reset Notes*

(i) *Rates of interest*

Subject to Conditions 2 and 3, each Reset Note bears interest:

- (A) in respect of the period from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date to (but excluding) the Reset Date (or, if there is more than one Reset Period, the first Reset Date occurring after the Interest Commencement Date), at the rate per annum equal to the Initial Rate of Interest; and
- (B) in respect of the Reset Period (or, if there is more than one Reset Period, each successive Reset Period thereafter), at such rate per annum as is equal to the relevant Subsequent Reset Rate, as determined, and notified in writing to the Agent and the Issuer, by the Reference Banks Agent on the relevant Reset Determination Date in accordance with this Condition 5(b),

payable, in each case, in arrear on the Interest Payment Dates(s) (as specified in the Final Terms).

As used in these Conditions:

Mid Swap Benchmark Rate means EURIBOR.

Mid Swap Rate means for any Reset Period the arithmetic mean of the bid and offered rates for the fixed leg payable with a frequency equivalent to the Benchmark Frequency specified in the applicable Final Terms during the relevant Reset Period (calculated on the day count basis customary for fixed rate payments in the Specified Currency as determined, and notified in writing to the Agent and the Issuer, by the Reference Banks

Agent) of a fixed-for-floating interest rate swap transaction in the Specified Currency which transaction (a) has a term of equal to the relevant Reset Period and commencing on the relevant Reset Date, (b) is in an amount that is representative for a single transaction in the relevant market at the relevant time with an acknowledged dealer of good credit in the swap market, and (c) has a floating leg based on the Mid Swap Benchmark Rate for the Mid Swap Maturity as specified in the Final Terms (calculated on the day count basis customary for floating rate payments in the Specified Currency as determined, and notified in writing to the Agent and the Issuer, by the Reference Banks Agent).

Reference Banks Agent means an independent investment bank, commercial bank, stockbroker, financial institution or adviser with appropriate expertise appointed by the Issuer at its own expense.

Reference Bond means for any Reset Period a government security or securities issued by the state responsible for issuing the Specified Currency (which, if the Specified Currency is euro, shall be Germany) selected by the Issuer on the advice of an investment bank of international repute as having an actual or interpolated maturity comparable with the relevant Reset Period that would be utilised, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities denominated in the same currency as the Notes and of a comparable maturity to the relevant Reset Period.

Reference Bond Price means, with respect to any Reset Determination Date, (A) the arithmetic average of the Reference Government Bond Dealer Quotations for such Reset Determination Date, after excluding the highest and lowest such Reference Government Bond Dealer Quotations, or (B) if the Reference Banks Agent obtains fewer than four such Reference Government Bond Dealer Quotations, the arithmetic average of all such quotations.

Reference Government Bond Dealer means each of five banks (selected by the Issuer on the advice of an investment bank of international repute), or their affiliates, which are (A) primary government securities dealers, and their respective successors, or (B) market makers in pricing corporate bond issues.

Reference Government Bond Dealer Quotations means, with respect to each Reference Government Bond Dealer and the relevant Reset Determination Date, the arithmetic average, as determined, and notified in writing to the Agent and the Issuer, by the Reference Bank Agent, of the bid and offered prices for the relevant Reference Bond (expressed in each case as a percentage of its nominal amount) at or around the Subsequent Reset Rate Time on the relevant Reset Determination Date quoted in writing to the Reference Banks Agent by such Reference Government Bond Dealer.

Reset Determination Date means for each Reset Period the date as specified in the Final Terms falling on or before the commencement of such Reset Period on which the rate of interest applying during such Reset Period will be determined.

Reset Period means the period from (and including) the first Reset Date to (but excluding) the Maturity Date (if any) if there is only one Reset Period or, if there is more than one Reset Period, each period from (and including) one Reset Date (or the first Reset Date) to (but excluding) the next Reset Date up to (but excluding) the Maturity Date (if any).

Subsequent Reset Rate for any Reset Period means the sum of (i) the applicable Subsequent Reset Reference Rate and (ii) the applicable Reset Margin (with such sum converted (if necessary) from a basis equivalent to the Benchmark Frequency to a basis equivalent to the frequency with which scheduled interest payments are payable on the Notes during the relevant Reset Period) (rounded down to four decimal places, with 0.00005 being rounded down).

Subsequent Reset Reference Rate means either:

- (A) if **Mid Swaps** is specified in the Final Terms, the Mid Swap Rate displayed on the Subsequent Reset Rate Screen Page at or around the Subsequent Reset Rate Time on the relevant Reset Determination Date for such Reset Period; or
- (B) if **Reference Bond** is specified in the Final Terms, the annual yield to maturity or interpolated yield to maturity (on the relevant day count basis) of the relevant Reference Bond, assuming a price for such Reference Bond (expressed as a percentage of its nominal amount) equal to the relevant Reference Bond Price.

The Agent will calculate the amount of interest (the **Interest Amount**) payable on the Reset Notes for the relevant period by applying the Initial Rate of Interest or the applicable Subsequent Reset Rate (as the case may be) to:

- (A) in the case of Reset Notes which are represented by a Global Note, the aggregate outstanding nominal amount of the Reset Notes represented by such Global Note; or
- (B) in the case of Reset Notes in definitive form, the Calculation Amount;

and, in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Reset Note in definitive form comprises more than one Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Reset Note shall be the aggregate of the amounts (determined in the manner provided above) for each Calculation Amount comprising the Specified Denomination without any further rounding.

Day Count Fraction and related definitions have the meanings given in Condition 5(a).

- (ii) *Subsequent Reset Rate Screen Page*

If the Subsequent Reset Rate Screen Page is not available, the Reference Banks Agent shall request each of the Reference Banks (as defined below) to provide the Reference Banks Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Subsequent Reset Reference Rate at approximately the Subsequent Reset Rate Time on the Reset Determination Date in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the Reference Banks Agent with offered quotations, the Subsequent Reset Rate for the relevant Reset Period shall be the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations plus or minus (as appropriate) the applicable Reset Margin (if any),

all as determined, and notified in writing to the Agent and the Issuer, by the Reference Banks Agent. If on any Reset Determination Date only one or none of the Reference Banks provides the Reference Banks Agent with an offered quotation as provided in the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the Subsequent Reset Rate shall be determined as at the last preceding Reset Determination Date or, in the case of the first Reset Determination Date, the Subsequent Reset Rate shall be the Initial Rate of Interest.

For the purposes of this Condition 5(b)(ii) **Reference Banks** means the principal office in the Relevant Financial Centre of four major banks in the swap, money, securities or other market most closely connected with the Subsequent Reset Reference Rate as selected by the Issuer on the advice of an investment bank of international repute.

(iii) *Notification of Subsequent Reset Rate and Interest Amounts*

The Agent will cause the Subsequent Reset Rate and each Interest Amount for each Reset Period to be notified to the Issuer and any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the relevant Reset Notes are for the time being listed or by which they have been admitted to listing and notice thereof to be published in accordance with Condition 14 as soon as possible after their determination but in no event later than the fourth London Business Day thereafter. For the purposes of this paragraph, the expression **London Business Day** means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business in London.

(iv) *Certificates to be final*

All certificates, communications, opinions, determinations, calculations, quotations and decisions given, expressed, made or obtained for the purposes of the provisions of this Condition 5(b) by the Agent or the Reference Banks Agent shall (in the absence of wilful default, bad faith or manifest error) be binding on the Issuer, the Agent, the other Paying Agents and all Noteholders and Couponholders and (in the absence as aforesaid) no liability to the Issuer, the Noteholders or the Couponholders shall attach to the Agent in connection with the exercise or non-exercise by it of its powers, duties and discretions pursuant to such provisions.

(c) *Interest on Floating Rate Notes*

(i) *Interest Payment Dates*

Each Floating Rate Note bears interest from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and such interest will be payable in arrear on either:

- (A) the Specified Interest Payment Date(s) in each year specified in the applicable Final Terms; or
- (B) if no Specified Interest Payment Date(s) is/are specified in the applicable Final Terms, each date (each such date, together with each Specified Interest Payment Date, an **Interest Payment Date**) which falls the number of months or other period specified as the Specified Period in the applicable Final Terms after the preceding Interest Payment Date or, in the case of the first Interest Payment Date, after the Interest Commencement Date.

Such interest will be payable in respect of each Interest Period (which expression shall, in these Terms and Conditions, mean the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date or the relevant payment date if the Notes become payable on a date other than an Interest Payment Date). For so long as any of the Floating Rate Notes is represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Euroclear, interest will be calculated on the full nominal amount outstanding of the relevant Notes and will be paid to Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear for distribution by them to entitled accountholders in accordance with their usual rules and operating procedures. In respect of each definitive Floating Rate Note, interest will be calculated on its outstanding nominal amount.

If a Business Day Convention is specified in the applicable Final Terms and (x) if there is no numerically corresponding day on the calendar month in which an Interest Payment Date should occur or (y) if any Interest Payment Date would otherwise fall on a day which is not a Business Day, then, if the Business Day Convention specified is:

- (1) in any case where Specified Periods are specified in accordance with Condition 5(b)(i)(B) above, the Floating Rate Convention, such Interest Payment Date (i) in the case of (x) above, shall be the last day that is a Business Day in the relevant month and the provisions of (B) below shall apply *mutatis mutandis* or (ii) in the case of (y) above, shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event (A) such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day and (B) each subsequent Interest Payment Date shall be the last Business Day in the month which falls the Specified Period after the preceding applicable Interest Payment Date occurred; or
- (2) the Following Business Day Convention, such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day; or
- (3) the Modified Following Business Day Convention, such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day; or
- (4) the Preceding Business Day Convention, such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day.

In these Terms and Conditions, **Business Day** means a day which is both:

- (A) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in London and each Additional Business Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (B) either (1) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the

country of the relevant Specified Currency (which if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars or New Zealand dollars shall be Melbourne or Wellington, respectively) or (2) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer System or any successor or replacement for that system (**T2**) is open.

(ii) *Rate of Interest*

The Rate of Interest payable from time to time in respect of Floating Rate Notes will be determined in the manner specified in the applicable Final Terms.

(A) *Term Rate*

Where Term Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the Type of Rate, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be either:

- (1) the offered quotation; or
- (2) the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations,

(expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate which appears or appear, as the case may be, on the Relevant Screen Page as at 11.00 a.m. (Relevant Financial Centre time) on the Interest Determination Date in question plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Agent. If five or more of such offered quotations are available on the Relevant Screen Page, the highest (or, if there is more than one such highest quotation, one only of such quotations) and the lowest (or, if there is more than one such lowest quotation, one only of such quotations) shall be disregarded by the Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of such offered quotations.

If the Relevant Screen Page is not available or if, in the case of (i) above, no offered quotation appears or, in the case of (ii) above, fewer than three offered quotations appear, in each case as at the Relevant Time, the Reference Banks Agent shall request each of the Reference Banks (as defined below) to provide the Reference Banks Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate at approximately the Relevant Time on the Interest Determination Date in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the Reference Banks Agent with offered quotations, the Rate of Interest for the Interest Period shall be the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), all as determined, and notified in writing to the Agent and the Issuer, by the Reference Banks Agent.

If on any Interest Determination Date one only or none of the Reference Banks provides the Reference Banks Agent with an offered quotation as provided in the preceding paragraph, the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period shall be the rate per annum which the Reference Banks Agent determines, and notifies in writing to the Agent and the Issuer, as being the arithmetic mean

(rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the rates, as communicated to (and at the request of) the Reference Banks Agent by the Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, at approximately the Relevant Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date, deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate by leading banks in the Euro-zone inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR) or if the Reference Rate is other than EURIBOR, the inter-bank market of the Relevant Financial Centre plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any) or, if fewer than two of the Reference Banks provide the Reference Banks Agent with offered rates, the offered rate for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate, or the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of the offered rates for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate, at which, at approximately the Relevant Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date, any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the Issuer suitable for the purpose) informs the Reference Banks Agent it is quoting to leading banks in the Euro-zone inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR) or if the Reference Rate is other than EURIBOR, the inter-bank market of the Relevant Financial Centre plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), provided that, if the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the Rate of Interest shall be determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period in place of the Margin relating to that last preceding Interest Period).

For the purposes of this Condition 5(c)(ii)(A):

Reference Banks means, in the case of a determination of EURIBOR, the principal Euro-zone office of four major banks in the Euro-zone interbank market; and, in the case of a determination of a Reference Rate other than EURIBOR, the principal office in the Relevant Financial Centre of four major banks in the interbank market of the Relevant Financial Centre, in each case selected by the Issuer on the advice of an investment bank of international repute.

Reference Banks Agent means an independent investment bank, commercial bank, stockbroker, financial institution or adviser with appropriate expertise appointed by the Issuer at its own expense.

Reference Rate means, as specified in the Final Terms, (i) the Euro-zone interbank offered rate (**EURIBOR**), (ii) the Singapore interbank offered rate (**SIBOR**), (iii) the Tokyo interbank offered rate (**TIBOR**), (iv) the Hong Kong interbank offered rate (**HIBOR**) or (v) the bank rate of the Bank of England (the **Bank of England Base Rate**), in each case for the relevant currency and for the relevant period (if applicable), as specified for each in the Final Terms.

Relevant Financial Centre means the financial centre specified as such in the Final Terms or if none is so specified: (i) in the case of a determination of EURIBOR, Brussels, (ii) in the case of a determination of SIBOR, Singapore, (iii) in the case of a determination of TIBOR, Tokyo, (iv) in the case of a determination of HIBOR, Hong Kong or (v) in the case of a determination of the Bank of England Base Rate, London.

Relevant Time means the time specified as such in the Final Terms or if none is so specified: (i) in the case of a determination of EURIBOR, 11.00 a.m., (ii) in the case of a determination of SIBOR, 11.00 a.m., (iii) in the case of a determination of TIBOR, 11.00 a.m., (iv) in the case of a determination of HIBOR, 11.00 a.m. or (v) in the case of a determination of the Bank of England Base Rate, 11.00 a.m., in each case in the Relevant Financial Centre.

(B) *Overnight Rate – Compounded Daily SOFR – Non-Index Determination*

Where Overnight Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the Type of Rate and Index Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as not being applicable, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be Compounded Daily SOFR plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Agent.

Compounded Daily SOFR means, with respect to an Interest Period, the rate of return of a daily compound interest investment (with the daily U.S. dollars secured overnight financing rate as reference rate for the calculation of interest) as calculated by the Agent as at the relevant Interest Determination Date in accordance with the following formula (and the resulting percentage will be rounded if necessary to the nearest fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards):

$$\left[\prod_{i=1}^{d_0} \left(1 + \frac{SOFR_i \times n_i}{D} \right) - 1 \right] \times \frac{D}{d}$$

where:

d is the number of calendar days in:

- (i) where Lag is specified as the Observation Method in the applicable Final Terms, the relevant Interest Period; or
- (ii) where Observation Shift is specified as the Observation Method in the applicable Final Terms, the relevant Observation Period;

D means the number specified as such in the applicable Final Terms (or, if no such number is specified, 360);

d₀ is the number of U.S. Government Securities Business Days in:

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- (i) where Lag is specified as the Observation Method in the applicable Final Terms, the relevant Interest Period; or
 - (ii) where Observation Shift is specified as the Observation Method in the applicable Final Terms, the relevant Observation Period;

i is a series of whole numbers from one to d_o , each representing the relevant U.S. Government Securities Business Day in chronological order from, and including, the first U.S. Government Securities Business Day in:

- (i) where Lag is specified as the Observation Method in the applicable Final Terms, the relevant Interest Period; or
- (ii) where Observation Shift is specified as the Observation Method in the applicable Final Terms, the relevant Observation Period,

to and including the last U.S. Government Securities Business Day in such Interest Period or, as the case may be, such Observation Period;

n_i for any U.S. Government Securities Business Day "i" is the number of calendar days from, and including, such U.S. Government Securities Business Day "i" to, but excluding, the following U.S. Government Securities Business Day;

Observation Period in respect of an Interest Period, means the period from, and including, the date falling "p" U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the first day in such Interest Period (and the first Interest Period shall begin on and include the Interest Commencement Date) to, but excluding, the date falling "p" U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period (or the date falling "p" U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to such earlier date, if any, on which the Notes become due and payable);

p means:

- (i) where Lag is specified as the Observation Method in the applicable Final Terms, the number of U.S. Government Securities Business Days specified as the Lag Period in the applicable Final Terms; or
- (ii) where Observation Shift is specified as the Observation Method in the applicable Final Terms, the number of U.S. Government Securities Business Days specified as the Observation Shift Period in the applicable Final Terms;

SOFR with respect to any U.S. Government Securities Business Day, means:

- (i) the Secured Overnight Financing Rate published for such U.S. Government Securities Business Day as such rate appears on the SOFR Administrator's Website at 3:00 p.m. (New York time) on the immediately following U.S. Government Securities Business Day (the **SOFR Determination Time**); or
- (ii) subject to Condition 5(f), if the rate specified in (i) above does not so appear, the Secured Overnight Financing Rate as published in respect of the first preceding U.S. Government Securities Business Day for

which the Secured Overnight Financing Rate was published on the SOFR Administrator's Website;

SOFR_i means, in respect of any U.S. Government Securities Business Day "i", the SOFR for:

- (i) where Lag is specified as the Observation Method in the applicable Final Terms, the U.S. Government Securities Business Day falling "p" U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the relevant U.S. Government Securities Business Day "i"; or
- (ii) where Observation Shift is specified as the Observation Method in the applicable Final Terms, the relevant U.S. Government Securities Business Day "i";

SOFR Administrator means the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or a successor administrator of the Secured Overnight Financing Rate);

SOFR Administrator's Website means the website of the SOFR Administrator, or any successor source; and

U.S. Government Securities Business Day means any day except for a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association recommends that the fixed income departments of its members be closed for the entire day for purposes of trading in U.S. government securities.

If the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Condition 5(c)(ii)(B), the Rate of Interest shall be (A) that determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period, in place of the Margin relating to that last preceding Interest Period) or (B) if there is no such preceding Interest Determination Date, the initial Rate of Interest which would have been applicable to the Notes for the first Interest Period had the Notes been in issue for a period equal in duration to the scheduled first Interest Period but ending on (and excluding) the Interest Commencement Date (but applying the Margin applicable to the first Interest Period).

If the Notes become due and payable otherwise than on an Interest Payment Date, the final Interest Determination Date shall, notwithstanding any Interest Determination Date specified in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be the date on which such Notes became due and payable and the Rate of Interest on such Notes shall, for so long as any such Note remains outstanding, be that determined on such date.

(C) *Overnight Rate – Compounded Daily SOFR – Index Determination*

Where Overnight Rate is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the Type of Rate and Index Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being applicable, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be the compounded daily reference rate for the relevant

Interest Period, calculated in accordance with the following formula on the relevant Interest Determination Date:

$$\left(\frac{\text{Compounded Index End}}{\text{Compounded Index Start}} - 1 \right) \times \frac{\text{Numerator}}{d}$$

and rounded if necessary to the nearest fifth decimal place (with 0.000005 being rounded upwards), plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Agent, where:

Compounded Index means the Compounded Daily SOFR rate as published at 3:00 p.m. (New York time) by Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or a successor administrator of the Secured Overnight Financing Rate) on the website of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or any successor source;

Compounded Index End means, in respect of an Interest Period, the relevant Compounded Index value on the day falling the Relevant Number of U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period, or such other date on which the relevant payment of interest falls due (but which by its definition or the operation of the relevant provisions is excluded from such Interest Period);

Compounded Index Start means, in respect of an Interest Period, the relevant Compounded Index value on the day falling the Relevant Number of U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period;

d is the number of calendar days from (and including) the day on which the relevant Compounded Index Start is determined to (but excluding) the day on which the relevant Compounded Index End is determined;

Numerator means 360, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms;

Relevant Number is as specified in the applicable Final Terms but, unless otherwise specified, shall be five; and

U.S. Government Securities Business Day means any day except for a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association recommends that the fixed income departments of its members be closed for the entire day for purposes of trading in U.S. government securities.

If, with respect to any Interest Period, the relevant rate is not published for the Compounded Index either on the relevant Start or End date, then the Agent shall calculate the rate of interest for that Interest Period as if Index Determination was specified in the applicable Final Terms as not being applicable and Observation Shift had been specified as the Observation Method in the applicable Final Terms, and where the Observation Shift Period shall be deemed to be the same as the Relevant Number.

If the Notes become due and payable otherwise than on an Interest Payment Date, the final Interest Determination Date shall, notwithstanding any Interest Determination Date specified in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be the date on which such Notes became due and payable and the Rate of Interest on such Notes shall, for so long as any such Note remains outstanding, be that determined on such date.

(iii) *Minimum Rate of Interest and/or Maximum Rate of Interest*

If the applicable Final Terms specify a Minimum Rate of Interest for any Interest Period, then, in the event that the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (ii) above is less than such Minimum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Minimum Rate of Interest. Unless otherwise stated in the applicable Final Terms, the Minimum Rate of Interest shall be deemed to be zero.

If the applicable Final Terms specify a Maximum Rate of Interest for any Interest Period, then, in the event that the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (ii) above is greater than such Maximum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Maximum Rate of Interest.

(iv) *Determination of Rate of Interest and calculation of Interest Amounts*

The Agent will at or as soon as practicable after each time at which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, determine the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period.

The Agent will calculate the amount of interest (the **Interest Amount**) payable on the Floating Rate Notes for the relevant Interest Period by applying the Rate of Interest to:

- (A) in the case of Floating Rate Notes which are represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or Euroclear, the full nominal amount outstanding of the relevant Notes; or
- (B) in the case of Floating Rate Notes in definitive form, the Calculation Amount;

and, in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Floating Rate Note in definitive form comprises more than one Calculation Amount, the Interest Amount payable in respect of such Note shall be the aggregate of the amounts (determined in the manner provided above) for each Calculation Amount comprising the Specified Denomination without any further rounding.

Day Count Fraction means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest for any Interest Period:

- (i) if "Actual/Actual (ISDA)" or "Actual/Actual" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of that Interest Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (I) the

actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a leap year divided by 366 and (II) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);

- (ii) if "Actual/365 (Fixed)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365;
- (iii) if "Actual/365 (Sterling)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365 or, in the case of an Interest Payment Date falling in a leap year, 366;
- (iv) if "Actual/360" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360;
- (v) if "30/360", "360/360" or "Bond Basis" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

$$\text{Day Count Fraction} = \frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)}{360}$$

where:

"Y₁" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"Y₂" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"M₁" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"M₂" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"D₁" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless such number is 31, in which case D₁ will be 30; and

"D₂" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31 and D₁ is greater than 29, in which case D₂ will be 30;

- (vi) if "30E/360" or "Eurobond Basis" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

$$\text{Day Count Fraction} = \frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)}{360}$$

where:

"Y₁" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"Y₂" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"M₁" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"M₂" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"D₁" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D₁ will be 30; and

"D₂" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D₂ will be 30; and

- (vii) if "30E/360 (ISDA)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

$$\text{Day Count Fraction} = \frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)}{360}$$

where:

"Y₁" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"Y₂" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"M₁" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

"M₂" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

"D₁" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D₁ will be 30; and

"D₂" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February but not the Maturity Date or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D₂ will be 30.

- (v) *Notification of Rate of Interest and Interest Amounts*

The Agent will cause the Rate of Interest and each Interest Amount for each Interest Period and the relevant Interest Payment Date to be notified to the Issuer and any stock exchange on which the relevant Floating Rate Notes are for the time being listed and notice thereof to be published in accordance with Condition 14 as soon as possible after their determination but in no event later than the fourth London Business Day thereafter. Each Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date so notified may subsequently be amended (or appropriate alternative arrangements made by way of adjustment) without prior notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the Interest Period. Any such amendment will be promptly notified to each stock exchange on which the relevant Floating Rate Notes are for the time being listed and to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14. For the purposes of this paragraph, the expression **London Business Day** means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business in London.

(vi) *Certificates to be final*

All certificates, communications, opinions, determinations, calculations, quotations and decisions given, expressed, made or obtained for the purposes of the provisions of this Condition 5(c), by the Agent or the Reference Banks Agent shall (in the absence of wilful default, bad faith or manifest error) be binding on the Issuer, the Agent, the other Paying Agents and all Noteholders and Couponholders and (in the absence as aforesaid) no liability to the Issuer, the Noteholders or the Couponholders shall attach to the Agent in connection with the exercise or non-exercise by it of its powers, duties and discretions pursuant to such provisions.

(d) *Accrual of interest*

Each Note (or in the case of the redemption of part only of a Note, that part only of such Note) will cease to bear interest (if any) from the date for its redemption unless, upon due presentation thereof, payment of principal is improperly withheld or refused. In such event, interest will continue to accrue until whichever is the earlier of:

- (1) the date on which all amounts due in respect of such Note have been paid; and
- (2) five days after the date on which the full amount of the moneys payable in respect of such Note has been received by the Agent and notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14.

(e) *Benchmark Replacement – Benchmark Discontinuation*

This Condition 5(e) applies only to Notes where Benchmark Replacement is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms and where (in the case of Floating Rate Notes) Term Rate is specified as the Type of Rate in the applicable Final Terms.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Condition 5, if the Issuer (in consultation with the Agent (or the person specified in the applicable Final Terms as the party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and the Interest Amount(s))) determines that a Benchmark Event has occurred in relation to an Original Reference Rate when any Rate of Interest (or the relevant component part thereof) remains to be determined by reference to such Original Reference Rate, then the following provisions shall apply:

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- (i) the Issuer shall use reasonable endeavours to appoint and consult with an Independent Adviser, as soon as reasonably practicable, for the determination (with the Issuer's agreement) of a Successor Rate or, alternatively, if the Independent Adviser and the Issuer agree that there is no Successor Rate, an alternative rate (the **Alternative Benchmark Rate**) and, in either case, an alternative screen page or source (the **Alternative Relevant Screen Page**) and an Adjustment Spread (if applicable) and notify the Agent no later than five Business Days prior to the relevant Reset Determination Date or Interest Determination Date (as applicable) relating to the next succeeding Reset Period or Interest Period (as applicable) (the **IA Determination Cut-off Date**) for the purposes of determining the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes for all future Reset Periods or Interest Periods (as applicable) (subject to the subsequent operation of this Condition 5(e));
- (ii) the Alternative Benchmark Rate shall be such rate as the Independent Adviser and the Issuer acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner agree has replaced the Original Reference Rate in customary market usage for the purposes of determining floating rates of interest or reset rates of interest in respect of eurobonds denominated in the Specified Currency, or, if the Independent Adviser and the Issuer agree that there is no such rate, such other rate as the Independent Adviser and the Issuer acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner agree is most comparable to the Original Reference Rate, and the Alternative Relevant Screen Page shall be such page of an information service as displays the Alternative Benchmark Rate;
- (iii) if the Issuer is unable to appoint an Independent Adviser, or if the Independent Adviser and the Issuer cannot agree upon, or cannot select a Successor Rate or an Alternative Benchmark Rate and Alternative Relevant Screen Page prior to the IA Determination Cut-off Date in accordance with sub-paragraph (ii) above, then the Issuer (acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner) may determine which (if any) rate has replaced the Original Reference Rate in customary market usage for purposes of determining floating rates of interest or reset rates of interest in respect of eurobonds denominated in the Specified Currency, or, if it determines that there is no such rate, which (if any) rate is most comparable to the Original Reference Rate, and the Alternative Benchmark Rate shall be the rate so determined by the Issuer and the Alternative Relevant Screen Page shall be such page of an information service as displays the Alternative Benchmark Rate; provided, however, that if this sub-paragraph (iii) applies and the Issuer is unable or unwilling to determine an Alternative Benchmark Rate and Alternative Relevant Screen Page five Business Days prior to the Reset Determination Date or Interest Determination Date (as applicable) relating to the next succeeding Reset Period or Interest Period (as applicable) in accordance with this sub-paragraph (iii), the Original Reference Rate and the fallback provisions provided for in Conditions 5(b) and (c) will continue to apply. For the avoidance of doubt, this sub-paragraph shall apply to the relevant next succeeding Reset Period or Interest Period (as applicable) only and any subsequent Reset Periods or Interest Periods (as applicable) are subject to the subsequent operation of, and to adjustment as provided in, this Condition 5(e);

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- (iv) (subject as provided in Condition 5(e)(vii) below) if a Successor Rate or an Alternative Benchmark Rate and an Alternative Relevant Screen Page is determined in accordance with the preceding provisions, such Successor Rate or Alternative Benchmark Rate and Alternative Relevant Screen Page shall be the benchmark and the Relevant Screen Page in relation to the Notes for all future Reset Periods or Interest Periods (as applicable) (subject to the subsequent operation of this Condition 5(e));
- (v) if the Issuer, following consultation with the Independent Adviser and acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, determines that (A) an Adjustment Spread is required to be applied to the Successor Rate or Alternative Benchmark Rate and (B) the quantum of, or a formula or methodology for determining, such Adjustment Spread, then such Adjustment Spread shall be applied to the Successor Rate or Alternative Benchmark Rate for each subsequent determination of a relevant Rate of Interest and Interest Amount(s) (or a component part thereof) by reference to such Successor Rate or Alternative Benchmark Rate;
- (vi) if a Successor Rate or an Alternative Benchmark Rate and/or Adjustment Spread is determined in accordance with the above provisions, the Independent Adviser (with the Issuer's agreement) or the Issuer (as the case may be), may also specify changes (**Benchmark Amendments**) to these Conditions (including, without limitation, the Day Count Fraction, Relevant Screen Page, Business Day Convention, Business Days, Reset Determination Date, Interest Determination Date and/or the definition of Mid Swap Benchmark Rate or Reference Rate applicable to the Notes, and the method for determining the fallback rate in relation to the Notes) and/or the Agency Agreement, in order to follow market practice in relation to the Successor Rate or Alternative Benchmark Rate and/or Adjustment Spread, which Benchmark Amendments shall apply to the Notes for all future Reset Periods or Interest Periods (as applicable) (subject to the subsequent operation of this Condition 5(e)) and the Agent shall (at the expense and direction of the Issuer), without any requirement for consent or approval of the Noteholders, be obliged to use its reasonable endeavours to implement any Benchmark Amendments (including, *inter alia*, by the execution of an agreement supplemental to or amending the Agency Agreement) and the Agent shall not be liable to any party for the consequences thereof; and
- (vii) the Issuer shall no later than five Business Days prior to the relevant Reset Determination Date or Interest Determination Date following the determination of any Successor Rate or Alternative Benchmark Rate and Alternative Relevant Screen Page and Adjustment Spread (if any) give notice thereof and of any Benchmark Amendments pursuant to sub-paragraphs (v) and (vi) above to the Agent and, in accordance with Condition 14, the Noteholders and until the Agent has been so notified the Original Reference Rate and the fallback provisions provided for in Conditions 5(b) and (c) will continue to apply.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Condition 5(e), no Successor Rate or Alternative Benchmark Rate or Adjustment Spread (as applicable) will be adopted, and no Benchmark Amendments will be made pursuant to this Condition 5(e), if and to the extent that, in the

determination of the Issuer, the same could reasonably be expected to prejudice the qualification of the Notes as:

- (A) in the case of Senior Non-Preferred Notes and Restricted Senior Preferred Notes, MREL Eligible Liabilities; or
- (B) in the case of Dated Subordinated Notes, Tier 2 capital of the Issuer,

or, in the case of Restricted Senior Preferred Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes only, if and to the extent that, in the determination of the Issuer, the same could reasonably be expected to result in the Relevant Regulator treating a future Reset Date or Interest Payment Date (as applicable) as the effective maturity of the Notes, rather than the relevant Maturity Date.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Condition 5(e), if in the Agent's opinion there is any uncertainty between two or more alternative courses of action in making any determination or calculation under this Condition 5(e), the Agent shall promptly notify the Issuer thereof and the Issuer shall direct the Agent in writing as to which alternative course of action to adopt. If the Agent is not promptly provided with such direction, or is otherwise unable to make such calculation or determination for any reason, it shall notify the Issuer thereof and the Agent shall be under no obligation to make such calculation or determination and shall not incur any liability for not doing so.

The relevant Benchmark Amendments shall not impose more onerous obligations on the party responsible for determining the Rate of Interest or expose it to any additional duties or liabilities unless such party consents. In connection with the implementation of any Benchmark Amendments the Issuer shall comply with the rules of any stock exchange on which the Notes are for the time being listed or admitted to trading.

In these Conditions, the following terms shall bear the following meanings:

Adjustment Spread means either a spread (which may be positive or negative or zero) or a formula or methodology for calculating a spread, which the Issuer, following consultation with the Independent Adviser and acting in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner, determines should be applied to the relevant Successor Rate or the relevant Alternative Benchmark Rate (as applicable), as a result of the replacement of the Original Reference Rate with the relevant Successor Rate or the relevant Alternative Benchmark Rate (as applicable), and is the spread, formula or methodology which:

- (A) in the case of a Successor Rate, is recommended or formally provided as an option for parties to adopt, in relation to the replacement of the Original Reference Rate with the Successor Rate by any Relevant Nominating Body; or
- (B) in the case of a Successor Rate for which no such recommendation has been made, or option provided, or in the case of an Alternative Benchmark Rate, the spread, formula or methodology which the Issuer, following consultation with the Independent Adviser and acting in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner, determines to be appropriate in order to reduce or eliminate, to the fullest extent reasonably practicable in the circumstances, any economic prejudice or benefit (as the case may be) to Noteholders as a result of the replacement of the Original Reference Rate with the Successor Rate or Alternative Benchmark Rate (as applicable);

Applicable MREL Regulations means, at any time, the laws, regulations, requirements, guidelines and policies then in effect in Norway giving effect to any MREL Requirement or any successor regulations then applicable to the Issuer, including, without limitation to the generality of the foregoing, CRD, the BRRD and those regulations, requirements, guidelines and policies giving effect to any MREL Requirement or any successor regulations then in effect (whether or not such requirements, guidelines or policies have the force of law and whether or not they are applied generally or specifically to the Issuer or to the Issuer and its subsidiaries);

Benchmark Event means:

- (A) the Original Reference Rate has ceased to be published on the Relevant Screen Page as a result of such benchmark ceasing to be calculated or administered; or
- (B) the later of (i) the making of a public statement by the administrator of the Original Reference Rate that it has ceased, or will (on or before a specified date) cease publishing such Original Reference Rate permanently or indefinitely (in circumstances where no successor administrator has been appointed that will continue publication of such Original Reference Rate) and (ii) the date falling six months prior to the date specified in (i); or
- (C) the later of (i) the making of a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the Original Reference Rate that such Original Reference Rate has been or will (on or before a specified date) be permanently or indefinitely discontinued and (ii) the date falling six months prior to the date specified in (i); or
- (D) the later of (i) the making of a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the Original Reference Rate that means that such Original Reference Rate will (on or before a specified date) be prohibited from being used or that its use will be subject to restrictions or adverse consequences, either generally or in respect of the Notes and (ii) the date falling six months prior to the date specified in (i); or
- (E) the later of (i) the making of a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the Original Reference Rate that the Original Reference Rate will (on or before a specified date) no longer be representative of an underlying market and (ii) the date falling six months prior to the date specified in (i); or
- (F) it has or will become unlawful for the Agent or the Issuer to calculate any payments due to be made to any Noteholder using the Original Reference Rate (including, without limitation, under the Benchmarks Regulation (EU) 2016/1011, if applicable).

CRD means, as the context requires, any or any combination of the CRD Directive, the CRR and any CRD Implementing Measures;

CRD Directive means Directive 2013/36/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms dated 26th June, 2013 and published in the Official Journal of the European Union on 27th June, 2013 (or, as the case may be, any provision of Norwegian law transposing or implementing such Directive), as amended or replaced from time to time (including by the CRD V Directive);

CRD Implementing Measures means any regulatory capital rules or regulations or other requirements, which are applicable to the Issuer and which prescribe (alone or in conjunction with any other rules, regulations or other requirements) the requirements to be fulfilled by financial instruments for their inclusion in the regulatory capital of the Issuer (on a non-consolidated or consolidated basis) to the extent required by the CRD Directive or the CRR, including for the avoidance of doubt and without limitation any regulatory technical standards released from time to time by the European Banking Authority (or any successor or replacement thereof);

CRD V Directive means Directive 2019/878 as regards exempted entities, financial holding companies, mixed financial holding companies, remuneration, supervisory measures and powers and capital conservation measures of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Directive 2013/36/EU, as amended or replaced from time to time;

CRR means Regulation 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms dated 26th June, 2013 and published in the Official Journal of the European Union on 27th June, 2013, as incorporated in Norway through Section 2 of the Norwegian regulation of 22 August 2014 no. 1097 on CRR/CRD IV (Nw. *Forskrift 22. august 2014 nr. 1097 om kapitalkrav og nasjonal tilpasning av CRR/CRD IV*), as amended or replaced from time to time (including by the CRR II);

CRR II means Regulation 2019/876 as regards the leverage ratio, the net stable funding ratio, requirements for own funds and eligible liabilities, counterparty credit risk, market risk, exposures to central counterparties, exposures to collective investment undertakings, large exposures, reporting and disclosure requirements of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Regulation 575/2013, and Regulation 648/2012, as amended or replaced from time to time;

Independent Adviser means an independent financial institution of international repute or other independent financial adviser of recognised standing with relevant experience in the international capital markets, in each case appointed by the Issuer at its own expense;

MREL Eligible Liabilities means “eligible liabilities” (or any equivalent or successor term) which are available to meet any MREL Requirement (however called or defined by then Applicable MREL Regulations) of the Issuer under Applicable MREL Regulations;

MREL Requirement means the minimum requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities which is or, as the case may be, will be applicable to the Issuer;

Original Reference Rate means, for the purpose of this Condition 5(e), the originally-specified benchmark or screen rate (as applicable) used to determine the Rate of Interest (or any component part thereof) on the Notes (or, if applicable, any other successor or alternative rate (or component part thereof) determined and applicable to the Notes pursuant to the earlier operation of this Condition 5(e));

Relevant Nominating Body means, in respect of a benchmark or screen rate (as applicable): (i) the central bank for the currency to which the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable) relates, or any central bank or other supervisory authority which is responsible for supervising the administrator of the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable); or (ii) any working group or committee sponsored by, chaired or co-chaired by or constituted at the request of (a) the central bank for the currency to which the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable) relates, (b) any central bank or other supervisory authority which is responsible for supervising the

administrator of the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable), (c) a group of the aforementioned central banks or other supervisory authorities or (d) the Financial Stability Board or any part thereof; and

Successor Rate means the reference rate (and related Alternative Relevant Screen Page or source, if available) that the Independent Adviser (with the Issuer's agreement) determines is a successor to or replacement of the Original Reference Rate which is formally recommended by any Relevant Nominating Body.

(f) *Benchmark Replacement - Benchmark Transition*

This Condition 5(f) applies only to Floating Rate Notes where Benchmark Replacement is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms and Overnight Rate is specified as the Type of Rate in the applicable Final Terms.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Condition 5, if the Issuer (in consultation with the Agent (or the person specified in the applicable Final Terms as the party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and the Interest Amount(s))) determines that a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred in relation to an Original Reference Rate when any Rate of Interest (or any component part thereof) remains to be determined by reference to such Original Reference Rate, then the following provisions shall apply:

(1) *Independent Adviser*

The Issuer shall use reasonable endeavours to appoint and consult with an Independent Adviser, as soon as reasonably practicable, for the determination (with the Issuer's agreement) of a Benchmark Replacement which will replace such Original Reference Rate for all purposes relating to the Notes in respect of all determinations on such date and for all determinations on all subsequent dates (subject to any subsequent application of this Condition 5(f) with respect to such Benchmark Replacement) and any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes.

If the Issuer is unable to appoint an Independent Adviser, or if the Independent Adviser and the Issuer cannot agree upon the Benchmark Replacement and any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes by no later than five Business Days prior to the relevant Interest Determination Date relating to the next succeeding Interest Period (the **IA Determination Cut-off Date**) then the Issuer (acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner) may determine the Benchmark Replacement and any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes. If the Issuer is unable or unwilling to determine a Benchmark Replacement and any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes on the IA Determination Cut-off Date, the Original Reference Rate and the fallback provisions provided for in Condition 5(c) will continue to apply. For the avoidance of doubt, this paragraph (1) shall apply to the relevant next succeeding Interest Period only and any subsequent Interest Periods are subject to the subsequent operation of, and to adjustment as provided in, this Condition 5(f).

Any Benchmark Replacement determined as aforesaid shall have effect for any subsequent determination of any relevant Rate of Interest (subject to any further application of this Condition 5(f) with respect to such Benchmark Replacement), subject, if any associated Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes are required in connection therewith, to such Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes becoming effective in accordance with the following provisions.

(2) *Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes*

If the Independent Adviser (with Issuer's agreement) or the Issuer (acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner) (as the case may be), considers it is necessary to make Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes, the Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as the case may be) shall determine the terms of such Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes and shall, subject to giving notice in accordance with Condition 5(f)(4) (but without any requirement for the consent or approval of Noteholders), vary these Conditions and/or the Agency Agreement to give effect to such Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes with effect from the date specified in such notice.

The Agent shall (at the expense and direction of the Issuer), without any requirement for the consent or approval of the Noteholders, be obliged to use its reasonable endeavours to implement any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes (including, *inter alia*, by the execution of an agreement supplemental to or amending the Agency Agreement) and the Agent shall not be liable to any party for any consequences thereof.

The relevant Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes shall not impose more onerous obligations on the party responsible for determining the Rate of Interest or expose it to any additional duties or liabilities unless such party consents. In connection with the implementation of any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes the Issuer shall comply with the rules of any stock exchange on which the Notes are for the time being listed or admitted to trading.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Condition 5(f), if in the Agent's opinion there is any uncertainty between two or more alternative courses of action in making any determination or calculation under this Condition 5(f), the Agent shall promptly notify the Issuer thereof and the Issuer shall direct the Agent in writing as to which alternative course of action to adopt. If the Agent is not promptly provided with such direction, or is otherwise unable to make such calculation or determination for any reason, it shall notify the Issuer thereof and the Agent shall be under no obligation to make such calculation or determination and shall not incur any liability for not doing so.

(3) *Definitions*

As used in this Condition 5(f):

Benchmark Replacement means the first alternative set forth in the order below that can be determined by the Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as the case may be) as of the Benchmark Replacement Date:

- (a) the sum of: (i) the alternate rate of interest that has been selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body as the replacement for the Original Reference Rate for the applicable Corresponding Tenor and (ii) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;
- (b) the sum of: (i) the ISDA Fallback Rate and (ii) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment; or
- (c) the sum of: (i) the alternate rate of interest that has been selected by the Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as the case may be) as the replacement for the Original Reference Rate for the applicable Corresponding Tenor giving due consideration to any industry-

accepted rate of interest as a replacement for the then-current benchmark for U.S. dollar-denominated floating rate notes at such time and (ii) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;

Benchmark Replacement Adjustment means the first alternative set forth in the order below that can be determined by the Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as the case may be) as of the Benchmark Replacement Date:

- (a) the spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) that has been selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body for the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement;
- (b) if the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement is equivalent to the ISDA Fallback Rate, the ISDA Fallback Adjustment; or
- (c) the spread adjustment (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) that has been selected by the Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as the case may be) giving due consideration to any industry-accepted spread adjustment, or method for calculating or determining such spread adjustment, for the replacement of the then-current benchmark with the applicable Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement for U.S. dollar-denominated floating rate notes at such time;

Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes means, with respect to any Benchmark Replacement, any technical, administrative or operational changes (including changes to any Interest Period, the timing and frequency of determining rates and making payments of interest, rounding of amounts or tenors, and other administrative matters) that the Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as the case may be) decides may be appropriate to reflect the adoption of such Benchmark Replacement in a manner substantially consistent with market practice (or, if the Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as the case may be) decides that adoption of any portion of such market practice is not administratively feasible or if the Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as the case may be) determines that no market practice for use of the Benchmark Replacement exists, in such other manner as the the Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as the case may be) determines is reasonably necessary);

Benchmark Replacement Date means the earliest to occur of the following events with respect to the Original Reference Rate (including the daily published component used in the calculation thereof):

- (a) in the case of clause (a) or (b) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event", the later of (i) the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein and (ii) the date on which the administrator of the Original Reference Rate permanently or indefinitely ceases to provide the Original Reference Rate (or such component); or
- (b) in the case of clause (c) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event", the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein.

For the avoidance of doubt, if the event that gives rise to the Benchmark Replacement Date occurs on the same day as, but earlier than the customary or scheduled time for publication of the relevant reference rate in accordance with the then-prevailing operational procedures of the administrator of such reference rate or, as the case may be, of the other relevant information

service publishing such reference rate, on, the relevant Interest Determination Date, the Benchmark Replacement Date will be deemed to have occurred prior to such time for such determination;

Benchmark Transition Event means the occurrence of one or more of the following events with respect to the Original Reference Rate (including the daily published component used in the calculation thereof):

- (a) a public statement or publication of information by or on behalf of the administrator of the Original Reference Rate (or such component) announcing that such administrator has ceased or will cease to provide the Original Reference Rate (or such component), permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide the Original Reference Rate (or such component); or
- (b) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of the Original Reference Rate (or such component), the central bank for the currency of the Original Reference Rate (or such component), an insolvency official with jurisdiction over the administrator for the Original Reference Rate (or such component), a resolution authority with jurisdiction over the administrator for the Original Reference Rate (or such component) or a court or an entity with similar insolvency or resolution authority over the administrator for the Original Reference Rate, which states that the administrator of the Original Reference Rate (or such component) has ceased or will cease to provide the Original Reference Rate (or such component) permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide the Original Reference Rate (or such component); or
- (c) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of the Original Reference Rate announcing that the Original Reference Rate is no longer representative;

Corresponding Tenor means, with respect to a Benchmark Replacement, a tenor (including overnight) having approximately the same length (disregarding business day adjustment) as the applicable tenor for the Original Reference Rate;

ISDA Fallback Adjustment means the spread adjustment (which may be a positive or negative value or zero) that would apply for derivatives transactions referencing the the 2021 ISDA Interest Rate Derivatives Definitions as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. (the **ISDA Definitions**) to be determined upon the occurrence of an index cessation event with respect to the Original Reference Rate;

ISDA Fallback Rate means the rate that would apply for derivatives transactions referencing the latest version of the ISDA Definitions to be effective upon the occurrence of an index cessation date with respect to the Original Reference Rate for the applicable tenor excluding the applicable ISDA Fallback Adjustment;

Original Reference Rate means, for the purpose of this Condition 5(f), the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable) originally specified for the purpose of determining the relevant Rate of Interest (or any relevant component part(s) thereof) on the Notes (provided that if, following one or more Benchmark Transition Events, such originally specified benchmark or screen rate (or any benchmark used in any Benchmark Replacement which has replaced it (the

Replacement Benchmark) has been replaced by a (or a further) Replacement Benchmark and a Benchmark Transition Event subsequently occurs in respect of such Replacement Benchmark, the term "Original Reference Rate" shall be deemed to include any such Replacement Benchmark);

Relevant Governmental Body means the Federal Reserve Board and/or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or a committee officially endorsed or convened by the Federal Reserve Board and/or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York or any successor thereto; and

Unadjusted Benchmark Replacement means the Benchmark Replacement excluding the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment.

(4) *Notices, etc.*

The Issuer shall no later than five Business Days prior to the relevant Interest Determination Date following the determination of any Benchmark Replacement and Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes give notice thereof (including the effective date of any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes) to the Agent and, in accordance with Condition 14, the Noteholders and until the Agent has been so notified the Original Reference Rate and the fallback provisions provided for in Condition 5(c) will continue to apply.

(5) *Regulatory safeguard*

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Condition 5(f), no Benchmark Replacement will be adopted and no Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes will be made pursuant to this Condition 5(f) if and to the extent that, in the determination of the Issuer, the same could reasonably be expected to prejudice the qualification of the Notes as:

(A) in the case of Senior Non-Preferred Notes and Restricted Senior Preferred Notes, MREL Eligible Liabilities; or

(B) in the case of Dated Subordinated Notes, Tier 2 capital of the Issuer,

or, in the case of Restricted Senior Preferred Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes only, if and to the extent that, in the determination of the Issuer, the same could reasonably be expected to result in the Relevant Regulator treating a future Interest Payment Date as the effective maturity of the Notes, rather than the relevant Maturity Date.

6. PAYMENTS

(a) *Method of payment*

Subject as provided below:

- (i) payments in a Specified Currency other than euro will be made by credit or transfer to an account in the relevant Specified Currency maintained by the payee with, or, at the option of the payee, by a cheque in such Specified Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Specified Currency (which, if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars or New Zealand dollars, shall be Melbourne or Wellington, respectively); and

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- (ii) payments will be made in euro by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque.

Payments will be subject in all cases to (i) any fiscal or other laws and regulations applicable thereto in any jurisdiction, but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 8 and (ii) any withholding or deduction required pursuant to an agreement described in Section 1471(b) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the **Code**) or otherwise imposed pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code, any regulations or agreements thereunder, official interpretations thereof, or any law implementing an intergovernmental approach thereto.

(b) *Presentation of definitive Notes and Coupons*

Payments of principal in respect of definitive Notes will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner provided in paragraph 8(a) above only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of definitive Notes, and payments of interest in respect of definitive Notes will (subject as provided below) be made as aforesaid only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of Coupons, in each case at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States (which expression, as used herein, means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia, its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction)).

Fixed Rate Notes in definitive form (other than Long Maturity Notes (as defined below)) should be presented for payment together with all unmatured Coupons appertaining thereto (which expression shall for this purpose include Coupons falling to be issued on exchange of matured Talons), failing which the amount of any missing unmatured Coupon (or, in the case of payment not being made in full, the same proportion of the amount of such missing unmatured Coupon as the sum so paid bears to the sum due) will be deducted from the sum due for payment. Each amount of principal so deducted will be paid in the manner mentioned above against surrender of the relative missing Coupon at any time before the expiry of 10 years after the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 8) in respect of such principal (whether or not such Coupon would otherwise have become void under Condition 9) or, if later, five years from the date on which such Coupon would otherwise have become due, but in no event thereafter.

Upon any Fixed Rate Note in definitive form becoming due and repayable prior to its Maturity Date, all unmatured Talons (if any) appertaining thereto will become void and no further Coupons will be issued in respect thereof.

Upon the date on which any Floating Rate Note or Long Maturity Note in definitive form becomes due and repayable, unmatured Coupons and Talons (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment or, as the case may be, exchange for further Coupons shall be made in respect thereof. A **Long Maturity Note** is a Fixed Rate Note (other than a Fixed Rate Note which on issue had a Talon attached) whose nominal amount on issue is less than the aggregate interest payable thereon provided that such Note shall cease to be a Long Maturity Note on the Interest Payment Date on which the aggregate amount of interest remaining to be paid after that date is less than the nominal amount of such Note.

If the due date for redemption of any definitive Note is not an Interest Payment Date, interest (if any) accrued in respect of such Note from (and including) the preceding Interest Payment Date or, as the case may be, the Interest Commencement Date shall be payable only against surrender of the relevant definitive Note.

(c) *Payments in respect of Global Notes*

Payments of principal and interest (if any) in respect of Notes represented by any Global Note will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner specified above in relation to definitive Notes and otherwise in the manner specified in the relevant Global Note against presentation or surrender, as the case may be, of such Global Note at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States. A record of each payment made against presentation or surrender of any Global Note, distinguishing between any payment of principal and any payment of interest, will be made on such Global Note by the Paying Agent to which it was presented and such record shall be prima facie evidence that the payment in question has been made.

(d) *General provisions applicable to payments*

The holder of a Global Note shall be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of Notes represented by such Global Note and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Note in respect of each amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as the beneficial holder of a particular nominal amount of Notes represented by such Global Note must look solely to Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, for his share of each payment so made by the Issuer to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Note.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Condition, if any amount of principal and/or interest in respect of Notes is payable in U.S. dollars, such U.S. dollar payments of principal and/or interest in respect of such Notes will be made at the specified office of a Paying Agent in the United States if:

- (i) the Issuer has appointed Paying Agents with specified offices outside the United States with the reasonable expectation that such Paying Agents would be able to make payment in U.S. dollars at such specified offices outside the United States of the full amount of principal and interest on the Notes in the manner provided above when due;
- (ii) payment of the full amount of such principal and interest at all such specified offices outside the United States is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions on the full payment or receipt of principal and interest in U.S. dollars; and
- (iii) such payment is then permitted under United States law without involving, in the opinion of the Issuer, adverse tax consequences to the Issuer.

(e) *Payment Day*

If the date for payment of any amount in respect of any Note or Coupon is not a Payment Day, the holder thereof shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day in the relevant place and shall not be entitled to further interest or other payment in respect of such delay. For these purposes, **Payment Day** means any day which (subject to Condition 9) is:

- (i) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in:

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- (A) in the case of Notes in definitive form only, the relevant place of presentation;
 - (B) each Additional Financial Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (ii) either (1) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (which, if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars or New Zealand dollars shall be Melbourne or Wellington, respectively) or (2) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which T2 is open.

(f) *Interpretation of principal and interest*

Any reference in these Terms and Conditions to principal in respect of the Notes shall be deemed to include, as applicable:

- (i) any additional amounts which may be payable with respect to principal under Condition 8;
- (ii) the Final Redemption Amount of the Notes;
- (iii) the Early Redemption Amount of the Notes;
- (iv) the Optional Redemption Amount(s) (if any) of the Notes;
- (v) the Residual Redemption Amount(s) (if any) of the Notes; and
- (vi) any premium and any other amounts (other than interest) which may be payable by the Issuer under or in respect of the Notes.

Any reference in these Terms and Conditions to interest in respect of the Notes shall be deemed to include, as applicable, any additional amounts which may be payable with respect to interest under Condition 8.

7. REDEMPTION AND PURCHASE

(a) *Redemption at maturity*

Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled as specified below, each Note will be redeemed by the Issuer at its Final Redemption Amount specified in the applicable Final Terms in the relevant Specified Currency on the Maturity Date specified in the Final Terms.

(b) *Redemption for tax reasons*

Subject to obtaining any required prior written consent of the Relevant Regulator as provided in Condition 7(i), the Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part, at any time (if this Note is not a Floating Rate Note) or on any Interest Payment Date (if this Note is a Floating Rate Note), on giving not less than the minimum period and not more

than the maximum period of notice specified in the applicable Final Terms notice to the Agent and, in accordance with Condition 14, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), if:

- (i) on the occasion of the next payment due under the Notes, the Issuer has or will become obliged to pay additional amounts as provided or referred to in Condition 8 as a result of any change in, or amendment to, the laws or regulations of Norway or any authority therein having power to tax or any political subdivision thereof, or any change in the application or official interpretation of such laws or regulations, which change or amendment becomes effective on or after the date on which agreement is reached to issue the first Tranche of the Notes;
- (ii) in case of Dated Subordinated Notes, the effect of such obligation is material to the Issuer; and
- (iii) such obligation cannot be avoided by the Issuer taking reasonable measures available to it,

provided that no such notice of redemption shall be given earlier than 90 days prior to the earliest date on which the Issuer would be obliged to pay such additional amounts were a payment in respect of the Notes then due.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition, the Issuer shall deliver to the Agent to make available at its specified office to the Noteholders (i) a certificate signed by two authorised signatories of the Issuer stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer so to redeem have occurred, and (ii) an opinion of independent legal advisers of recognised standing to the effect that the Issuer has or will become obliged to pay such additional amounts as a result of such change or amendment.

Notes redeemed pursuant to this Condition 7(b) will be redeemed at their Early Redemption Amount referred to in paragraph (e) below together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption.

(c) *Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)*

Subject to obtaining any required prior written consent of the Relevant Regulator as provided in Condition 7(i), if Issuer Call is specified as being applicable in the Final Terms, the Issuer may, having given:

- (i) not less than the minimum period nor more than the maximum period of notice specified in the applicable Final Terms to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14; and
- (ii) not less than 15 days before the giving of the notice referred to in (i), notice to the Agent;

(which notices shall be irrevocable and shall specify the date fixed for redemption), redeem all or some only of the Notes then outstanding on any Optional Redemption Date and at the Optional Redemption Amount(s) specified in the applicable Final Terms together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the relevant Optional Redemption Date. Any such redemption must be of a nominal amount not less than the Minimum Redemption

Amount and not more than a Maximum Redemption Amount, in each case as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

In the case of a partial redemption of Notes, the Notes to be redeemed (**Redeemed Notes**) will be selected individually by lot, in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes, and in accordance with the rules of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg (to be reflected in the records of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg as either a pool factor or a reduction in nominal amount, at their discretion), in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by a Global Note, not more than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption (such date of selection being hereinafter called the **Selection Date**). In the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes, a list of the serial numbers of such Redeemed Notes will be published in accordance with Condition 14 not less than 15 days prior to the date fixed for redemption. No exchange of the relevant Global Note will be permitted during the period from (and including) the Selection Date to (and including) the date fixed for redemption pursuant to this paragraph (c) and notice to that effect shall be given by the Issuer to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14 at least five days prior to the Selection Date.

(d) *Redemption at the option of the Noteholders (Investor Put)*

Subject to obtaining any required prior written consent of the Relevant Regulator as provided in Condition 7(i), if Investor Put is specified as being applicable in the Final Terms, upon the holder of any Note giving to the Issuer in accordance with Condition 14 not less than the minimum period nor more than the maximum period of notice specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer will, upon the expiry of such notice, redeem, subject to, and in accordance with, the terms specified in the applicable Final Terms, such Note on the Optional Redemption Date and at the Optional Redemption Amount specified in the applicable Final Terms together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the Optional Redemption Date.

To exercise the right to require redemption of this Note the holder of this Note must deliver, at the specified office of any Paying Agent at any time during normal business hours of such Paying Agent falling within the notice period, accompanied by a duly completed and signed notice of exercise in the form (for the time being current) obtainable from any specified office of any Paying Agent (a **Put Notice**) and in which the holder must specify a bank account (or, if payment is required to be made by cheque, an address) to which payment is to be made under this Condition accompanied by, if this Note is in definitive form, this Note or evidence satisfactory to the Paying Agent concerned that this Note will, following delivery of the Put Notice, be held to its order or under its control.

Any Put Notice given by a holder of any Note pursuant to this paragraph shall be irrevocable except where prior to the due date of redemption an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing in which event such holder, at its option, may elect by notice to the Issuer to withdraw the notice given pursuant to this paragraph and instead to declare such Note forthwith due and payable pursuant to Condition 10.

(e) *Early Redemption Amounts*

For the purpose of paragraphs (b) and (j) and Condition 10, each Note will be redeemed at the Early Redemption Amount calculated as follows:

- (i) in the case of a Note with a Final Redemption Amount equal to the Issue Price, at the Final Redemption Amount thereof;

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- (ii) in the case of a Note (other than a Zero Coupon Note) with a Final Redemption Amount which is or may be less or greater than the Issue Price or which is payable in a Specified Currency other than that in which the Note is denominated, at the amount specified in the applicable Final Terms or, if no such amount or manner is so specified in the applicable Final Terms, at its nominal amount; or
- (iii) in the case of a Zero Coupon Note, at its Early Redemption Amount calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Early Redemption Amount} = \text{RP} \times (1 + \text{AY})^y$$

where:

RP means the Reference Price specified in the applicable Final Terms;

AY means the Accrual Yield expressed as a decimal; and

y is the Day Count Fraction specified in the applicable Final Terms which will be either (i) 30/360 (in which case the numerator will be equal to the number of days (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 months of 30 days each) from (and including) the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption or (as the case may be) the date upon which such Note becomes due and repayable and the denominator will be 360) or (ii) Actual/360 (in which case the numerator will be equal to the actual number of days from (and including) the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption or (as the case may be) the date upon which such Note becomes due and repayable and the denominator will be 360) or (iii) Actual/365 (in which case the numerator will be equal to the actual number of days from (and including) the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption or (as the case may be) the date upon which such Note becomes due and repayable and the denominator will be 365).

(f) *Purchases*

Subject as provided in Condition 7(i) the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer may at any time purchase Notes (provided that, in the case of definitive Notes, all unmatured Coupons and Talons appertaining thereto are purchased therewith) at any price in the open market or otherwise. If purchases are made by tender, tenders must be available to all Noteholders alike. Such Notes may be held, reissued, resold or, at the option of the Issuer, surrendered to any Paying Agent for cancellation.

(g) *Cancellation*

Subject as provided in Condition 7(i), all Notes which are redeemed will forthwith be cancelled (together with all unmatured Coupons and Talons attached thereto or surrendered therewith at the time of redemption). All Notes so cancelled and any Notes purchased and cancelled pursuant to paragraph (f) above (together with all unmatured Coupons and Talons cancelled therewith) shall be forwarded to the Agent and cannot be reissued or resold.

(h) *Late payment on Zero Coupon Notes*

If the amount payable in respect of any Zero Coupon Note upon redemption of such Zero Coupon Note pursuant to paragraph (a), (b), (c) or (d) above or upon its becoming due and repayable as provided in Condition 10 is improperly withheld or refused, the amount due and repayable in respect of such Zero Coupon Note shall be the amount calculated as provided in paragraph (e)(iii) above as though the references therein to the date fixed for the redemption or the date upon which such Zero Coupon Note becomes due and payable were replaced by references to the date which is the earlier of:

- (i) the date on which all amounts due in respect of such Zero Coupon Note have been paid; and
- (ii) five days after the date on which the full amount of the moneys payable in respect of such Zero Coupon Notes has been received by the Agent and notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14.

(i) *Consent*

This Condition 7(i) applies to (i) Senior Preferred Notes where this Condition 7(i) is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms (**Restricted Senior Preferred Notes**) (ii) Senior Non-Preferred Notes and (ii) Dated Subordinated Notes.

No early redemption in any circumstances, purchase under Condition 7(f), substitution or variation under Condition 7(l) (in the case of Dated Subordinated Notes) or substitution or variation under Condition 7(m) (in the case of Restricted Senior Preferred Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes) shall take place without the prior written consent of the Relevant Regulator (in each case, if, and to the extent, then required by the Relevant Regulator and, in the case of Restricted Senior Preferred Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes, by the Applicable MREL Regulations). In addition, in respect of any redemption of Dated Subordinated Notes pursuant to Condition 7(b) or 7(j) only, and except to the extent the Relevant Regulator no longer so requires, the Issuer may only redeem the Dated Subordinated Notes before five years after the Issue Date if the Issuer demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Relevant Regulator that the circumstance that entitles it to exercise such right of redemption was not reasonably foreseeable as at the Issue Date of the last Tranche of the Notes. For the avoidance of doubt, redemption of Notes under Condition 7(a) or repayment pursuant to Condition 10, shall not require the consent of the Relevant Regulator.

(j) *Redemption of Dated Subordinated Notes upon Capital Event*

This Condition 7(j) applies only to Dated Subordinated Notes and references to **Notes** and **Noteholders** in this Condition shall be construed accordingly.

Subject to obtaining the prior written consent of the Relevant Regulator as provided in Condition 7(i), if a Capital Event occurs, the Issuer may, at its option, on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Agent and, in accordance with Condition 14, the Noteholders (which notices shall be irrevocable and shall specify the date fixed for redemption), at any time (if this Note is not a Floating Rate Note) or on any Interest Payment Date (if this Note is a Floating Rate Note), redeem all (but not some only) of the Dated Subordinated Notes at the Early Redemption Amount referred to in Condition 7(e), together (if appropriate) with

interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption. Upon the expiry of such notice, the Issuer shall redeem the Notes.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition, the Issuer shall deliver to the Agent to make available at its specified office to the Noteholders (i) a certificate signed by two authorised signatories of the Issuer stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer so to redeem have occurred.

Applicable Banking Regulations means at any time the laws, regulations, requirements, guidelines and policies relating to capital adequacy then in effect in Norway including, without limitation to the generality of the foregoing, those regulations, requirements, guidelines and policies relating to capital adequacy adopted by the Norwegian Ministry of Finance and/or the Relevant Regulator from time to time and then in effect (whether or not such requirements, guidelines or policies have the force of law and whether or not they are applied generally or specifically to the Issuer or to the Issuer and its subsidiaries).

A **Capital Event** means the determination by the Issuer, after consultation with the Relevant Regulator, that, as a result of a change in Norwegian law or Applicable Banking Regulations or any change in the official application or interpretation thereof becoming effective on or after the Issue Date of the last Tranche of the Notes, the Dated Subordinated Notes are either partially or fully excluded from the Tier 2 capital of the Issuer. For the avoidance of doubt, any amortisation of the Subordinated Notes pursuant to Article 64 of the CRR (or any equivalent or successor provision) shall not comprise a Capital Event.

(k) *Redemption of Senior Preferred Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes upon MREL Disqualification Event*

This Condition 7(k) applies only to Senior Preferred Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes where this Condition 7(k) is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms, and references to **Notes** and **Noteholders** in this Condition shall be construed accordingly.

Subject to obtaining the prior written consent of the Relevant Regulator as provided in Condition 7(i), if a MREL Disqualification Event occurs, the Issuer may, at its option, on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Agent and, in accordance with Condition 14, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable and shall specify the date fixed for redemption), at any time (if this Note is not a Floating Rate Note) or on any Interest Payment Date (if this Note is a Floating Rate Note) redeem all (but not some only) of the relevant Senior Preferred Notes or Senior Non-Preferred Notes at their Early Redemption Amount referred to in Condition 7(e) together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption. Upon the expiry of such notice, the Issuer shall redeem the Notes.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition, the Issuer shall deliver to the Agent to make available at its specified office to the Noteholders (i) a certificate signed by two authorised signatories of the Issuer stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer so to redeem have occurred.

MREL Disqualification Event means the determination by the Issuer that, as a result of a change in any Applicable MREL Regulations or any change in the official application or interpretation thereof becoming effective on or after the Issue Date of the last Tranche of the Notes, the Notes will be fully excluded or partially excluded from the eligible liabilities (or any

equivalent or successor term) available to meet any MREL Requirement (however called or defined by then Applicable MREL Regulations) if the Issuer is then or, as the case may be, will be subject to such MREL Requirement, provided that a MREL Disqualification Event shall not occur where such exclusion is or will be caused by (i) the remaining maturity of the Notes being less than any period prescribed by any applicable eligibility criteria under the Applicable MREL Regulations, or (ii) any applicable limits on the amount of eligible liabilities (or any equivalent or successor term) permitted or allowed to meet any MREL Requirement(s) being exceeded.

(l) *Substitution or Variation – Dated Subordinated Notes*

This Condition 7(l) applies only to Dated Subordinated Notes and where this Condition 7(l) is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms, and references to **Notes**, **Noteholders** and **Couponholders** in this Condition shall be construed accordingly.

If at any time a Capital Event occurs and is continuing, or in order to ensure the effectiveness and enforceability of Condition 19, the Issuer may, subject to the provisions of Condition 7(i) (without any requirement for the consent or approval of the Noteholders or the Couponholders) on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Agent and, in accordance with Condition 14, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable) either substitute all (but not some only) of the Notes for, or vary the terms of the Notes (including changing the governing law of Condition 19, from Norwegian law to English law) so that they remain or, as appropriate, become, Qualifying Subordinated Securities (as defined below), provided that such substitution or variation does not itself give rise to any right of the Issuer to redeem the substituted or varied securities that are inconsistent with the redemption provisions of the Notes.

Qualifying Subordinated Securities means securities issued directly or indirectly by the Issuer that:

- (i) other than in the case of a change to the governing law of Condition 19 to English law in order to ensure the effectiveness and enforceability of Condition 19, have terms not materially less favourable to the Noteholders as a class than the terms of the Notes (as reasonably determined by the Issuer, and provided that a certification to such effect of two authorised Directors of the Issuer shall have been delivered to the Agent not less than five Business Days prior to (i) in the case of a substitution of the Notes, the issue of the relevant securities or (ii) in the case of a variation of the Notes, such variation, as the case may be), and, subject thereto, they shall (i) have a ranking at least equal to that of the Notes prior to such substitution or variation, as the case may be, (ii) have the same interest rate and the same Interest Payment Dates as those from time to time applying to the Notes prior to such substitution or variation, as the case may be, (iii) have the same redemption rights as the Notes prior to such substitution or variation, as the case may be, (iv) comply with the then current requirements of the Relevant Regulator in relation to Tier 2 capital, (v) preserve any existing rights under the Notes to any accrued interest which has not been paid in respect of the period from (and including) the Interest Payment Date last preceding the date of substitution or variation, as the case may be, or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date, and (vi) where Notes which have been substituted or varied had a published rating from a rating agency immediately prior to such substitution or variation, each such rating agency has ascribed, or announced its intention to ascribe, an equal or higher published rating to the relevant Qualifying Subordinated Securities, unless any downgrade is solely attributable to a change in the governing law of Condition

19 to English law in order to ensure the effectiveness and enforceability of Condition 19; and

- (ii) are listed on a recognised stock exchange, if the Notes were listed immediately prior to such substitution or variation, as selected by the Issuer.

(m) *Substitution or Variation – Senior Preferred Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes*

This Condition 7(m) applies only to Senior Preferred Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes where this Condition 7(m) is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms, and references to **Notes**, **Noteholders** and **Couponholders** in this Condition shall be construed accordingly.

If at any time a MREL Disqualification Event occurs and is continuing, or in order to ensure the effectiveness and enforceability of Condition 19, the Issuer may, subject to the provisions of Condition 7(i) (without any requirement for the consent or approval of the Noteholders or the Couponholders) on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Agent and, in accordance with Condition 14, the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable) either substitute all (but not some only) of the Notes for, or vary the terms of the Notes (including changing the governing law of Condition 19, from Norwegian law to English law) so that they remain or, as appropriate, become, Qualifying MREL Securities (as defined below), provided that such substitution or variation does not itself give rise to any right of the Issuer to redeem the substituted or varied securities that are inconsistent with the redemption provisions of the Notes.

Qualifying MREL Securities means securities issued directly or indirectly by the Issuer that:

- (i) other than in the case of a change to the governing law of Condition 19 to English law in order to ensure the effectiveness and enforceability of Condition 19, have terms not materially less favourable to the Noteholders as a class than the terms of the Notes (as reasonably determined by the Issuer, and provided that a certification to such effect of two authorised Directors of the Issuer shall have been delivered to the Agent not less than five Business Days prior to (i) in the case of a substitution of the Notes, the issue of the relevant securities or (ii) in the case of a variation of the Notes, such variation, as the case may be), and, subject thereto, they shall (A) have a ranking at least equal to that of the Notes prior to such substitution or variation, as the case may be, (B) have the same interest rate and the same Interest Payment Dates as those from time to time applying to the Notes prior to such substitution or variation, as the case may be, (C) have the same redemption rights as the Notes prior to such substitution or variation, as the case may be, (D) comply with the then current requirements in relation to eligible liabilities (or any equivalent or successor term) provided for in the Applicable MREL Regulations, (E) preserve any existing rights under the Notes to any accrued interest which has not been paid in respect of the period from (and including) the Interest Payment Date last preceding the date of substitution or variation, as the case may be, or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date, and (F) where Notes which have been substituted or varied had a published rating from a rating agency immediately prior to such substitution or variation, each such rating agency has ascribed, or announced its intention to ascribe, an equal or higher published rating to the relevant Qualifying MREL Securities, unless any downgrade is solely

attributable to a change in the governing law of Condition 19 to English law in order to ensure the effectiveness and enforceability of Condition 19; and

- (ii) are listed on a recognised stock exchange, if the Notes were listed immediately prior to such substitution or variation, as selected by the Issuer.

(n) *Clean-up call (Issuer Residual Call)*

Subject to obtaining any required prior written consent of the Relevant Regulator as provided in Condition 7(i), if (a) Issuer Residual Call is specified as being applicable in the Final Terms and (b) at any time after the Issue Date the Relevant Percentage or more of the aggregate nominal amount of the Notes originally issued (and, for these purposes, any further securities issued pursuant to Condition 16 so as to be consolidated and form a single series with the Notes will be deemed to have been originally issued) has been redeemed, the Issuer may, having given:

- (i) not less than the minimum period nor more than the maximum period of notice specified in the applicable Final Terms to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14; and
- (ii) not less than 15 days before the giving of the notice referred to in (i), notice to the Agent;

(which notices shall be irrevocable and shall specify the date fixed for redemption), redeem all (but not some only) of the Notes then outstanding at any time and at the Residual Redemption Amount(s) specified in the applicable Final Terms together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition, the Issuer shall deliver to the Agent to make available at its specified office to the Noteholders (i) a certificate signed by two authorised signatories of the Issuer stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer so to redeem have occurred.

8. TAXATION

- (a) Subject as provided in Condition 8(b) below, all payments of principal and interest in respect of the Notes and Coupons by the Issuer will be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of any present or future taxes or duties of whatever nature imposed or levied by or on behalf of the Kingdom of Norway or any political subdivision or any authority thereof or therein having power to tax unless such withholding or deduction is required by law. In such event, the Issuer will pay such additional amounts as shall be necessary in order that the net amounts received by the holders of the Notes or Coupons after such withholding or deduction shall equal the respective amounts of principal and interest which would otherwise have been receivable in respect of the Notes or Coupons, as the case may be, in the absence of such withholding or deduction; except that no such additional amounts shall be payable with respect to any Note or Coupon:
 - (i) presented for payment by or on behalf of a holder who is liable for such taxes or duties in respect of such Note or Coupon by reason of his having some

connection with the Kingdom of Norway other than the mere holding of such Note or Coupon; or

- (ii) presented for payment by more than 30 days after the Relevant Date (as defined below) except to the extent that the holder thereof would have been entitled to an additional amount on presenting the same for payment on such thirtieth day assuming that day to have been a Payment Day (as defined in Condition 6(e)).

As used in these Conditions the **Relevant Date** means the date on which such payment first becomes due, except that, if the full amount of the moneys payable has not been duly received by the Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which, the full amount of such moneys having been so received, notice to that effect is duly given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14.

- (b) This Condition 8(b) shall only apply to (i) Senior Preferred Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes where this Condition 8(b) is specified as being applicable in the applicable Final Terms and (ii) Dated Subordinated Notes. Notwithstanding the generality of Condition 8(a), the obligation to pay additional amounts will be limited to payments of interest.

9. PRESCRIPTION

The Notes and Coupons will become void unless presented for payment within a period of 10 years (in the case of principal) and five years (in the case of interest) after the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 8) therefor.

There shall not be included in any Coupon sheet issued on exchange of a Talon any Coupon the claim for payment in respect of which would be void pursuant to this Condition or Condition 6(b) or any Talon which would be void pursuant to Condition 6(b).

10. EVENTS OF DEFAULT

- (a) *Events of Default relating to Senior Preferred Notes*

If any one or more of the following events (each an **Event of Default**) shall occur and be continuing with respect to any Senior Preferred Note:

- (i) if default is made in the payment in the Specified Currency of any principal or interest due in respect of the Notes or any of them and in the case of interest that default continues for a period of seven days; or
- (ii) if the Issuer fails to perform or observe any of its other obligations under these Conditions and (except in any case where the failure is incapable of remedy when no such continuation or notice as is hereinafter mentioned will be required) the failure continues for the period of 30 days next following the service by a Noteholder on the Issuer of notice requiring the same to be remedied; or
- (iii) any payment obligation under any indebtedness (including deposits) of the Issuer or any of its Principal Subsidiaries becomes due and repayable prematurely by reason of an event of default (howsoever described) or the Issuer or any of its Principal Subsidiaries fails to make any payment in respect

of any indebtedness (including deposits) within 30 days of the due date for payment (or within the applicable grace period, if such period is longer than 30 days) or any security given by the Issuer or any of its Principal Subsidiaries for any indebtedness (including deposits) becomes enforceable or if default is made by the Issuer or any of its Principal Subsidiaries in making any payment due under any guarantee and/or indemnity given by it in relation to any obligation of any other person for 30 days (or within the applicable grace period, if such period is longer than 30 days), PROVIDED that no such event shall constitute an Event of Default unless the indebtedness (including deposits) or other relative liability either alone or when aggregated with other indebtedness (including deposits) and/or liabilities relating to all (if any) other events which shall have occurred and be outstanding shall amount to at least €10,000,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency) and PROVIDED further that, for the purposes of this Condition 10(a)(iii), neither the Issuer nor any of its Principal Subsidiaries shall be deemed to be in default with respect to any such indebtedness (including deposits), guarantee or indemnity if it shall be contesting in good faith by appropriate means its liability to make payment thereunder; or

- (iv) if any order is made by any competent court or resolution passed for the winding up or dissolution of the Issuer or any of its Principal Subsidiaries, save for the purposes of reorganisation on terms approved by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Noteholders; or
- (v) if the Issuer or any of its Principal Subsidiaries ceases or threatens to cease to carry on the whole or a substantial part of its business, save for the purposes of reorganisation on terms approved by an Extraordinary Resolution of the Noteholders, or the Issuer or any of its Principal Subsidiaries stops or threatens to stop payment of, or is unable to, or admits inability to, pay, its debts (or any class of its debts) as they fall due, or is deemed unable to pay its debts pursuant to or for the purposes of any applicable law, or is adjudicated or found bankrupt or insolvent; or
- (vi) if (A) proceedings are initiated against the Issuer or any of its Principal Subsidiaries under any applicable liquidation, insolvency, composition, reorganisation or other similar laws, or an application is made for the appointment of an administrative or other receiver, manager, administrator or other similar official, or an administrative or other receiver, manager, administrator or other similar official is appointed, in relation to the Issuer or any of its Principal Subsidiaries or, as the case may be, in relation to the whole or a substantial part of the undertaking or assets of any of them, or an encumbrancer takes possession of the whole or a substantial part of the undertaking or assets of any of them, or a distress, execution, attachment, sequestration or other process is levied, enforced upon, sued out or put in force against the whole or a substantial part of the undertaking or assets of any of them and (B) in any case (other than the appointment of an administrator) is not discharged within 14 days; or
- (vii) if the Issuer or any of its Principal Subsidiaries initiates or consents to judicial proceedings relating to itself under any applicable liquidation, insolvency, composition, reorganisation or other similar laws or makes a conveyance or

assignment for the benefit of, or enters into any composition or other arrangement with, its creditors generally (or any class of its creditors) or any meeting is convened to consider a proposal for an arrangement or composition with its creditors generally (or any class of its creditors),

then, if the applicable Final Terms specify this Condition 10 as being applicable, any holder of a Senior Preferred Note may, by written notice to the Issuer at the specified office of the Agent, effective upon the date of receipt thereof by the Agent, declare any Senior Preferred Notes held by the holder to be forthwith due and payable whereupon the same shall become forthwith due and payable at the Early Redemption Amount (as described in Condition 7(e)), together with accrued interest (if any) to the date of repayment, without presentment, demand, protest or other notice of any kind.

For the purpose of this Condition:

Principal Subsidiary at any time shall mean a Subsidiary of the Issuer *inter alia*:

- (A) whose gross revenues attributable to the Issuer (consolidated in the case of a Subsidiary which itself has Subsidiaries) or whose total assets (consolidated in the case of a Subsidiary which itself has Subsidiaries) represent not less than 5 per cent. of the consolidated gross revenues attributable to the shareholders of the Issuer, or, as the case may be, consolidated total assets, of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, all as calculated respectively by reference to the then latest audited accounts (consolidated or, as the case may be, unconsolidated) of the Subsidiary and the then latest audited consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries; or
- (B) to which is transferred the whole or substantially the whole of the undertaking and assets of a Subsidiary of the Issuer which immediately before the transfer is a Principal Subsidiary;

all as more particularly defined in the Agency Agreement.

A report by the Auditors of the Issuer that in their opinion a Subsidiary of the Issuer is or is not or was or was not at any particular time or throughout any specified period of a Principal Subsidiary shall, in the absence of manifest error, be conclusive and binding on all parties.

If the applicable Final Terms specify that this Condition 10 is not applicable in respect of any Senior Preferred Notes, there are no events of default in relation to such Notes.

There are no events of default in relation to Dated Subordinated Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes.

11. REPLACEMENT OF NOTES, COUPONS AND TALONS

Should any Note, Coupon or Talon be lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be replaced at the specified office of the Paying Agent in Luxembourg upon payment by the claimant of such costs and expenses as may be incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Notes, Coupons or Talons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

12. PAYING AGENTS

The names of the initial Paying Agents and their initial specified offices are set out below. If any additional Paying Agents are appointed in connection with any Series, the names of such Paying Agents will be specified in Part B of the applicable Final Terms.

The Issuer is entitled to vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent and/or appoint additional or other Paying Agents and/or approve any change in the specified office through which any Paying Agent acts, provided that:

- (a) there will at all times be an Agent; and
- (b) so long as the Notes are listed on any stock exchange, there will at all times be a Paying Agent with a specified office in such place as may be required by the rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange (or any other relevant authority).

Furthermore, the Issuer shall forthwith appoint a Paying Agent having a specified office in New York City in the circumstances described in Condition 6(d). Notice of any variation, termination, appointment or change in Paying Agents be given to the Noteholders promptly by the Issuer in accordance with Condition 14.

In acting under the Agency Agreement, the Paying Agents act solely as agents of the Issuer and do not assume any obligation to, or relationship of agency or trust with, any Noteholders or Couponholders. The Agency Agreement contains provisions permitting any entity into which any Paying Agent is merged or converted or with which it is consolidated or to which it transfers all or substantially all of its assets to become the successor paying agent.

13. EXCHANGE OF TALONS

On and after the Interest Payment Date on which the final Coupon comprised in any Coupon sheet matures, the Talon (if any) forming part of such Coupon sheet may be surrendered at the specified office of the Agent or any other Paying Agent in exchange for a further Coupon sheet including (if such further Coupon sheet does not include Coupons to (and including) the final date for the payment of interest due in respect of the Note to which it appertains) a further Talon, subject to the provisions of Condition 9.

14. NOTICES

All notices regarding the Notes will be deemed to be validly given if published (i) in a leading English language daily newspaper of general circulation in London, and (ii) if and for so long as the Notes are admitted to trading on, and listed on the Official List of, the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, a daily newspaper of general circulation in Luxembourg and/or the Luxembourg Stock Exchange's website, *www.luxse.com*. It is expected that any such publication in a newspaper will be made in the Financial Times in London and the *Luxembourger Wort* in Luxembourg. The Issuer shall also ensure that notices are duly published in a manner which complies with the rules and regulations of any stock exchange (or any other relevant authority) on which the Notes are for the time being listed or by which they have been admitted to trading. Any such notice will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication or, where required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the date of the first publication in all required newspapers.

Until such time as any definitive Notes are issued, there may, so long as any Global Notes representing the Notes are held in their entirety on behalf of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, be substituted for such publication in such newspaper(s) the delivery of the relevant notice to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg for communication by them to the holders of the Notes and, in addition, for so long as any Notes are listed on a stock exchange or are admitted to trading and the rules of that stock exchange (or any other relevant authority) so require, such notice will be published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the place or places required by the rules of that stock exchange (or any other relevant authority). Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given to the holders of the Notes on such day as is specified in the applicable Final Terms after the day on which the said notice was given to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg.

Notices to be given by any Noteholder shall be in writing and given by lodging the same, together (in the case of any Note in definitive form) with the relative Note or Notes, with the Agent. Whilst any of the Notes are represented by a Global Note, such notice may be given by any holder of a Note to the Agent through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, in such manner as the Agent and Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, may approve for this purpose.

15. MEETINGS OF NOTEHOLDERS, MODIFICATION AND WAIVER

The Agency Agreement contains provisions for convening meetings (including by way of conference call or by use of videoconference platform) of the Noteholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the sanctioning by Extraordinary Resolution of a modification of the Notes, the Coupons or any of the provisions of the Agency Agreement. Such a meeting may be convened by the Issuer or Noteholders holding not less than 5 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being remaining outstanding. The quorum at any such meeting for passing an Extraordinary Resolution is one or more persons holding or representing not less than 50 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned meeting one or more persons being or representing Noteholders whatever the nominal amount of the Notes so held or represented, except that at any meeting the business of which includes the modification of certain provisions of the Notes or the Coupons (including modifying the date of maturity of the Notes or any date for payment of interest thereon, reducing or cancelling the amount of principal or the rate of interest payable in respect of the Notes or altering the currency of payment of the Notes or the Coupons), the quorum shall be one or more persons holding or representing not less than two-thirds in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned such meeting one or more persons holding or representing not less than one-third in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. An Extraordinary Resolution passed at any meeting of the Noteholders shall be binding on all the Noteholders, whether or not they are present at the meeting, and on all Couponholders.

The Agent and the Issuer may agree, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to:

- (a) any modification (except as mentioned above) of the Notes, the Coupons or Agency Agreement which is not prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders; or
- (b) any modification of the Notes, the Coupons or the Agency Agreement which is of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a manifest error or to comply with mandatory provisions of the law.

Any such modification shall be binding on the Noteholders and the Couponholders and any such modification shall be notified to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14 as soon as practicable thereafter.

16. FURTHER ISSUES

The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of the Noteholders or the Couponholders to create and issue further notes having terms and conditions the same as the Notes or the same in all respects save for the amount and date of the first payment of interest thereon and so that the same shall be consolidated and form a single Series with the outstanding Notes.

17. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

No rights are conferred on any person under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Note, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

18. GOVERNING LAW AND SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION

(a) *Governing law*

The Agency Agreement, the Deed of Covenant, the Notes (except for Conditions 2, 3 and 19) and the Coupons and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Agency Agreement, the Deed of Covenant, the Notes and the Coupons are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law. Conditions 2, 3, 19 and 20 are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, Norwegian law.

(b) *Submission to jurisdiction*

The Issuer agrees, for the exclusive benefit of the Noteholders and the Couponholders, that the courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with the Notes and/or the Coupons (including a dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Notes and the Coupons) and that accordingly any suit, action or proceedings (together referred to as **Proceedings**) arising out of or in connection with the Notes and the Coupons (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Notes and the Coupons) may be brought in such courts.

The Issuer hereby irrevocably waives any objection which it may have now or hereafter to the laying of the venue of any such Proceedings in any such court and any claim that any such Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and hereby further irrevocably agrees that a judgment in any such Proceedings brought in the English courts shall be conclusive and binding upon it and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction.

Nothing contained in this Condition shall limit any right to take Proceedings against the Issuer in any other court of competent jurisdiction, nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction, whether concurrently or not.

(c) *Appointment of Process Agent*

The Issuer appoints The Law Debenture Trust Corporation p.l.c. at its registered office at 8th Floor, 100 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 4AG, England as its agent for service of process, and undertakes that, in the event of The Law Debenture Trust Corporation p.l.c. ceasing so to act or ceasing to be registered in England, it will appoint another person as its agent for service of process in England in respect of any Proceedings. Nothing herein shall affect the right to serve proceedings in any other manner permitted by law.

19. AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT TO THE EXERCISE OF THE BAIL-IN POWERS

- (a) Notwithstanding and to the exclusion of any other term of the Notes or any other agreements, arrangements or understanding between the Issuer and any Noteholder (which, for the purposes of this Condition 19, includes each holder of a beneficial interest in the Notes), by its acquisition of the Notes, each Noteholder acknowledges and accepts that any liability arising under the Notes may be subject to the exercise of Norwegian Statutory Loss Absorption Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority and acknowledges, accepts, consents to and agrees to be bound by:
- (i) the effect of the exercise of any Norwegian Statutory Loss Absorption Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority, which exercise (without limitation) may include and result in any of the following, or a combination thereof:
- (A) the reduction of all, or a portion, of the Relevant Amounts in respect of the Notes;
- (B) the conversion of all, or a portion, of the Relevant Amounts in respect of the Notes into shares, other securities or other obligations of the Issuer or another person, and the issue to or conferral on the Noteholder of such shares, securities or obligations, including by means of an amendment, modification or variation of the terms of the Notes;
- (C) the cancellation of the Notes or the Relevant Amounts in respect of the Notes; and
- (D) the amendment or alteration of the perpetual nature of the Notes or amendment of the amount of interest payable on the Notes, or the date on which interest becomes payable, including by suspending payment for a temporary period; and
- (ii) the variation of the terms of the Notes, as deemed necessary by the Relevant Resolution Authority, to give effect to the exercise of any Norwegian Statutory Loss Absorption Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority.

In this Condition 19:

Norwegian Statutory Loss Absorption Powers means any write-down, conversion, transfer, modification, suspension or similar or related power existing from time to time under, and exercised in compliance with, any laws, regulations, rules or requirements in effect in the Kingdom of Norway, relating to (i) the transposition into Norwegian law of Directive 2014/59/EU as amended or replaced from time to time (and including, without limitation, pursuant to Article 48 of Directive 2014/59/EU) and (ii) the instruments, rules and standards created thereunder, pursuant to which any obligation of the Issuer (or any affiliate of the Issuer)

can be reduced, cancelled, modified, or converted into shares, other securities or other obligations of the Issuer or any other person (or suspended for a temporary period);

Relevant Amounts means the outstanding principal amount of the Notes, together with any accrued but unpaid interest and additional amounts due on the Notes. References to such amounts will include amounts that have become due and payable, but which have not been paid, prior to the exercise of any Norwegian Statutory Loss Absorption Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority; and

Relevant Resolution Authority means the resolution authority with the ability to exercise any Norwegian Statutory Loss Absorption Powers in relation to the Issuer.

20. AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT TO THE EXERCISE OF STAY POWERS

Notwithstanding and to the exclusion of any other term of the Notes or any other agreements, arrangements or understanding between the Issuer and any Noteholder (which, for the purposes of this Condition 20, includes each holder of a beneficial interest in the Notes), by its acquisition of the Notes, each Noteholder:

- (i) acknowledges and accepts that the rights and obligations under any Note may be subject to the exercise of the Stay Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority and acknowledges and accepts to be bound by any Stay Powers;
- (ii) acknowledges and accepts that a suspension or restriction under Article 33a, Article 69 or Article 70 of the BRRD shall not constitute non-performance of a contractual obligation of the Issuer in relation to any Notes for the purposes of paragraphs 1 and 3 of Article 68 and Article 71(1) of the BRRD and each Noteholder acknowledges and accepts to be bound hereof;
- (iii) acknowledges and accepts that a crisis prevention measure or a crisis management measure taken in relation to the Issuer in accordance with the BRRD shall not, per se, be deemed to be an enforcement event or as insolvency proceedings and each Noteholder acknowledges and accepts to be bound hereof;
- (iv) acknowledges and accepts to be bound by the provisions of Article 68 of BRRD;
- (v) acknowledges and accepts to be bound by the Relevant Resolution Authority's exercise of ancillary powers pursuant to Article 64(1)(f) of BRRD; and
- (vi) acknowledges and accepts that (i)-(v) above are exhaustive on the matters described herein to the exclusion of any other term of the Notes or any other agreements, arrangements or understanding between the Issuer and any Noteholder.

In this Condition 20:

BRRD means Directive 2014/59/EU as amended or replaced from time to time (or, as the case may be, any provision of Norwegian law transposing or implementing such Directive);

Relevant Resolution Authority means the resolution authority with the ability to exercise any Stay Powers in relation to the Issuer;

Stay Legislation means Article 33a, Article 69, Article 70 and Article 71 of the BRRD and any provision of Norwegian law transposing or implementing Article 33a, Article 69, Article 70 and Article 71 of the BRRD; and

Stay Powers means any suspension of any payment or delivery obligation, the restriction of enforcement of any security interest, the suspension of any termination right or similar or related power existing from time to time under, and exercised in compliance with, any laws, regulations, rules or requirements in effect in the Kingdom of Norway, relating to the Stay Legislation as amended or replaced from time to time and the instruments, rules and standards created thereunder, pursuant to which certain contracts of a regulated entity can be subject to the suspension of any payment or delivery obligation, the restriction of enforcement of any security interest or the suspension of any termination right.

SCHEDULE 3

FORM OF AMENDED AND RESTATED DEED OF COVENANT

THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED DEED OF COVENANT is made on 11 January 2022 by SPAREBANKEN VEST (the "**Issuer**") in favour of the account holders or participants specified below of Clearstream Banking S.A. ("**Clearstream, Luxembourg**"), Euroclear Bank SA/NV ("**Euroclear**") and/or any other additional clearing system or systems as is specified in Part B of the Final Terms relating to any Note (as defined below) (each a "**Clearing System**").

WHEREAS:

- (A) The Issuer has entered into an amended and restated Programme Agreement (the "**Programme Agreement**", which expression includes the same as it may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 11 January 2022 with the Dealers named in it under which the Issuer proposes from time to time to issue Notes (the "**Notes**") pursuant to its €3,000,000,000 Euro Medium Term Note Programme (the "**Programme**").
- (B) The Issuer has also entered into an Agency Agreement (the "**Agency Agreement**", which expression includes the same as it may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 11 January 2022 between the Issuer and Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch.
- (C) The Notes will initially be represented by, and comprised in, Global Notes (as defined in the Agency Agreement), in each case representing a certain number of underlying Notes (the "**Underlying Notes**").
- (D) This Deed amends and restates the Amended and Restated Deed of Covenant dated 3 July 2019 (the "**2019 Deed of Covenant**"). Subject as set out in the following sentence, any Notes issued under the Programme on or after the date hereof shall have the benefit of this Deed. This does not affect any Notes issued under the Programme prior to the date of this Deed or any Notes issued on or after the date of this Deed so as to be consolidated and form a single Series with the Notes of any Series issued prior to the date of this Deed. Subject to such amendment and restatement, the 2019 Deed of Covenant shall continue in full force and effect.
- (E) Each Global Note may, after issue, be deposited with a depository for one or more Clearing Systems (together, the "**Relevant Clearing System**"). Upon any deposit of a Global Note the Underlying Notes represented by the Global Note will be credited to a securities account or securities accounts with the Relevant Clearing System. Any account holder with the Relevant Clearing System which has Underlying Notes credited to its securities account from time to time (each a "**Relevant Account Holder**") will, subject to and in accordance with the terms and conditions and operating procedures or management regulations of the Relevant Clearing System, be entitled to transfer the Underlying Notes and (subject to and upon payment being made by the Issuer to the bearer in accordance with the terms of the relevant Global Note) will be entitled to receive payments from the Relevant Clearing System calculated by reference to the Underlying Notes credited to its securities account.
- (F) In certain circumstances specified in each Global Note, a Global Note will become void. The time at which a Global Note becomes void is referred to as the "**Relevant Time**". In those circumstances each Relevant Account Holder will, subject to and in accordance with the terms of this Deed, acquire against the Issuer all those rights which the Relevant Account Holder would have had if, prior to the Global Note becoming void, duly executed and authenticated

Definitive Notes (as defined in the Agency Agreement) had been issued in respect of its Underlying Notes and those Definitive Notes were held and beneficially owned by the Relevant Account Holder.

NOW THIS DEED WITNESSES AS FOLLOWS:

1. If any Global Note becomes void in accordance with its terms the Issuer covenants with each Relevant Account Holder (other than any Relevant Clearing System which is an account holder of any other Relevant Clearing System) that each Relevant Account Holder shall automatically acquire at the Relevant Time, without the need for any further action on behalf of any person, against the Issuer all those rights which the Relevant Account Holder would have had if at the Relevant Time it held and beneficially owned executed and authenticated Definitive Notes in respect of each Underlying Note represented by the Global Note which the Relevant Account Holder has credited to its securities account with the Relevant Clearing System at the Relevant Time.

The Issuer's obligation under this clause shall be a separate and independent obligation by reference to each Underlying Note which a Relevant Account Holder has credited to its securities account with the Relevant Clearing System and the Issuer agrees that a Relevant Account Holder may assign its rights under this Deed in whole or in part.

2. The records of the Relevant Clearing System shall be conclusive evidence of the identity of the Relevant Account Holders and the number of Underlying Notes credited to the securities account of each Relevant Account Holder. For these purposes a statement issued by the Relevant Clearing System stating:
 - (a) the name of the Relevant Account Holder to which the statement is issued; and
 - (b) the aggregate nominal amount of Underlying Notes credited to the securities account of the Relevant Account Holder as at the opening of business on the first day following the Relevant Time on which the Relevant Clearing System is open for business,

shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the Relevant Clearing System at the Relevant Time.

3. In the event of a dispute, the determination of the Relevant Time by the Relevant Clearing System shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and conclusive for all purposes in connection with the Relevant Account Holders with securities accounts with the Relevant Clearing System.
4. The Issuer undertakes in favour of each Relevant Account Holder that, in relation to any payment to be made by it under this Deed, it will comply with the provisions of Condition 8 to the extent that they apply to any payments in respect of Underlying Notes as if those provisions had been set out in full in this Deed.
5. The Issuer will pay any stamp and other duties and taxes, including interest and penalties, payable on or in connection with the execution of this Deed and any action taken by any Relevant Account Holder to enforce the provisions of this Deed.
6. The Issuer represents, warrants and undertakes with each Relevant Account Holder that it has all corporate power, and has taken all necessary corporate or other steps, to enable it to execute, deliver and perform this Deed, and that this Deed constitutes a legal, valid and binding

obligation of the Issuer enforceable in accordance with its terms subject to the laws of bankruptcy and other laws affecting the rights of creditors generally.

7. This Deed shall take effect as a Deed Poll for the benefit of the Relevant Account Holders from time to time. This Deed shall be deposited with and held by the common depositary for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (being at the date of this Deed Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch at Winchester House, 1 Great Winchester Street, London EC2N 2DB) until all the obligations of the Issuer under this Deed have been discharged in full.
8. The Issuer acknowledges the right of every Relevant Account Holder to the production of, and the right of every Relevant Account Holder to obtain (upon payment of a reasonable charge) a copy of, this Deed, and further acknowledges and covenants that the obligations binding upon it contained in this Deed are owed to, and shall be for the account of, each and every Relevant Account Holder, and that each Relevant Account Holder shall be entitled severally to enforce those obligations against the Issuer.
9. No rights are conferred on any person under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Deed, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.
10. This Deed and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of England.

The Issuer irrevocably agrees, for the exclusive benefit of the Relevant Account Holders, that the courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with this Deed (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Deed) and that accordingly any suit, action or proceedings (together referred to as "**Proceedings**") arising out of or in connection with this Deed (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Deed) may be brought in such courts.

The Issuer irrevocably waives any objection which it may have to the laying of the venue of any Proceedings in any such court and any claim that any such Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and further irrevocably agrees that a judgment in any Proceedings brought in the English courts shall be conclusive and binding upon it and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction. Nothing contained in this clause shall limit any right to take Proceedings against the Issuer in any other court of competent jurisdiction, nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction, whether concurrently or not.

The Issuer appoints Law Debenture Corporate Services Limited at its registered office at 8th Floor, 100 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 4AG, England as its agent for service of process, and undertakes that, in the event of Law Debenture Corporate Services Limited ceasing so to act or ceasing to be registered in England, it will appoint another person as its agent for service of process in England in respect of any Proceedings. Nothing in this clause shall affect the right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

IN WITNESS whereof the Issuer has caused this Deed to be duly executed the day and year first above mentioned.

Executed as a deed)
by **SPAREBANKEN VEST**)
acting by)
acting on the authority)
of that company)
in the presence of:)

Witness:

Name:

Address:

SCHEDULE 4

**FORM OF PUT NOTICE
for Notes in definitive form**

SPAREBANKEN VEST
[title of relevant Series of Notes]

By depositing this duly completed Notice with any Paying Agent for the above Series of Notes (the "Notes") the undersigned holder of the Notes surrendered with this Notice and referred to below irrevocably exercises its option to have [the full/.....]⁽¹⁾ nominal amount of the Notes redeemed in accordance with Condition 7(d) on [redemption date].

This Notice relates to Notes in the aggregate nominal amount of bearing the following serial numbers:
.....

If the Notes referred to above are to be returned⁽²⁾ to the undersigned under clause 9(4) of the Agency Agreement, they should be returned by post to:
.....

Payment Instructions

Please make payment in respect of the above-mentioned Notes by [cheque posted to the above address/transfer to the following bank account]⁽¹⁾:

Bank: Branch Address:

Branch Code: Account Number:

Signature of holder:

[To be completed by recipient Paying Agent]

Details of missing unmatured Coupons⁽³⁾

Received by:
[Signature and stamp of Paying Agent]

At its office at: On:

NOTES:

- (1) Complete as appropriate.
- (2) The Agency Agreement provides that Notes so returned will be sent by post, uninsured and at the risk of the Noteholder, unless the Noteholder otherwise requests and pays the costs of such insurance to the relevant Paying Agent at the time of depositing the Note referred to above.
- (3) Only relevant for Fixed Rate Notes in definitive form.

N.B. The Paying Agent with whom the above-mentioned Notes are deposited will not in any circumstances be liable to the depositing Noteholder or any other person for any loss or damage arising from any act, default or omission of such Paying Agent in relation to the said Notes or any of them unless such loss or damage was caused by the fraud or negligence of such Paying Agent or its directors, officers or employees.

This Put Notice is not valid unless all of the paragraphs requiring completion are duly completed. Once validly given this Put Notice is irrevocable except in the circumstances set out in clause 9(4) of the Agency Agreement.

SCHEDULE 5

PROVISIONS FOR MEETINGS OF NOTEHOLDERS

1. (1) As used in this Schedule the following expressions shall have the following meanings unless the context otherwise requires:
 - (a) "**voting certificate**" means an English language certificate issued by a Paying Agent and dated in which it is stated:
 - (i) that on its date Notes (not being Notes in respect of which a block voting instruction has been issued and is outstanding in respect of the meeting specified in the voting certificate and any adjournment of the meeting) bearing specified serial numbers were deposited with the Paying Agent or (to the satisfaction of the Paying Agent) were held to its order or under its control and that none of the Notes will cease to be so deposited or held until the first to occur of:
 - (1) the conclusion of the meeting specified in the certificate or, if applicable, any adjourned meeting; and
 - (2) the surrender of the certificate to the Paying Agent which issued the same; and
 - (ii) that the bearer of the voting certificate is entitled to attend and vote at the meeting and any adjourned meeting in respect of the Notes represented by the certificate;
 - (b) "**block voting instruction**" means an English language document issued by a Paying Agent and dated in which:
 - (i) it is certified that Notes (not being Notes in respect of which a voting certificate has been issued and is outstanding in respect of the meeting specified in the block voting instruction and any adjournment of the meeting) have been deposited with the Paying Agent or (to the satisfaction of the Paying Agent) were held to its order or under its control and that none of the Notes will cease to be so deposited or held until the first to occur of:
 - (1) the conclusion of the meeting specified in the document or, if applicable, any adjourned meeting; and
 - (2) the surrender to the Paying Agent not less than 48 hours before the time for which the meeting or any adjourned meeting is convened of the receipt issued by the Paying Agent in respect of each deposited Note which is to be released or (as the case may require) the Note or Notes ceasing with the agreement of the Paying Agent to be held to its order or under its control and the giving of notice by the Paying Agent to the Issuer in accordance with paragraph 17 of the necessary amendment to the block voting instruction;

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- (ii) it is certified that each holder of the Notes has instructed the Paying Agent that the vote(s) attributable to the Note or Notes so deposited or held should be cast in a particular way in relation to the resolution or resolutions to be put to the meeting or any adjourned meeting and that all instructions are during the period commencing 48 hours before the time for which the meeting or any adjourned meeting is convened and ending at the conclusion or adjournment of the meeting neither revocable nor capable of amendment;
 - (iii) the total number, total nominal amount and the serial numbers (if available) of the Notes so deposited or held are listed distinguishing with regard to each such resolution between those in respect of which instructions have been given that the relevant votes should be cast in favour of the resolution and those in respect of which instructions have been given that the relevant votes should be cast against the resolution; and
 - (iv) one or more persons named in such document (each a "**proxy**") is or are authorised and instructed by such Paying Agent to cast the votes attributable to the Notes so listed in accordance with the instructions referred to in subparagraph (iii) as set out in such document.

The holder of any voting certificate or the proxies named in any block voting instruction shall for all purposes in connection with the relevant meeting or adjourned meeting of Noteholders be deemed to be the holder of the Notes to which the voting certificate or block voting instruction relates and the Paying Agent with which the Notes have been deposited or the person holding the same to the order or under the control of such Paying Agent shall be deemed for those purposes not to be the holder of those Notes.

- (2) References in this Schedule to the "**Notes**" are to the Notes in respect of which the relevant meeting is convened.
2. The Issuer may at any time and, upon a requisition in writing of Noteholders holding not less than five per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding, shall convene a meeting of the Noteholders and if the Issuer makes default for a period of seven days in convening the meeting the meeting may be convened by the requisitionists. Whenever the Issuer is about to convene any meeting it shall immediately give notice in writing to the Agent and the Dealers of the day, time and place of the meeting (which need not be a physical place and instead may be by way of conference call, including by use of a videoconference platform) and of the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting. Every meeting shall be held at a time and place approved by the Agent.
 3. At least 21 days' notice (exclusive of the day on which the notice is given and the day on which the meeting is held) specifying the place, day and hour of the meeting shall be given to the Noteholders in the manner provided in Condition 14. The notice shall state generally the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting but (except for an Extraordinary Resolution) it shall not be necessary to specify in the notice the terms of any resolution to be proposed. The notice shall include a statement to the effect that Notes may be deposited with Paying Agents for the purpose of obtaining voting certificates or appointing proxies not less than 24 hours before the time fixed for the meeting or that, in the case of corporations, they may appoint representatives by resolution of their directors or other governing body. A copy of the notice shall be sent by post to the Issuer (unless the meeting is convened by that Issuer).

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4. The person (who may but need not be a Noteholder) nominated in writing by the Issuer shall be entitled to take the chair at each meeting but if no nomination is made or if at any meeting the person nominated is not present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting the Noteholders present shall choose one of their number to be Chair.
 5. At any meeting one or more persons present holding Notes or voting certificates or being proxies and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than twenty per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding shall (except for the purpose of passing an Extraordinary Resolution) form a quorum for the transaction of business and no business (other than the choosing of a Chair) shall be transacted at any meeting unless the requisite quorum is present at the commencement of business. The quorum at any meeting for passing an Extraordinary Resolution shall (subject as provided below) be one or more persons present holding Notes or voting certificates or being proxies and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than 50 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding provided that at any meeting the business of which includes any of the following matters (each of which shall only be capable of being effected after having been approved by Extraordinary Resolution) namely:
 - (a) modification of the Maturity Date (if any) of the Notes or reduction or cancellation of the nominal amount payable upon maturity; or
 - (b) reduction or cancellation of the amount payable or modification of the payment date in respect of any interest in respect of the Notes or variation of the method of calculating the rate of interest in respect of the Notes; or
 - (c) reduction of any Minimum Interest Rate and/or Maximum Interest Rate specified in the applicable Final Terms; or
 - (d) modification of the currency in which payments under the Notes are to be made; or
 - (e) modification of the majority required to pass an Extraordinary Resolution; or
 - (f) the sanctioning of any scheme or proposal described in paragraph 18(f); or
 - (g) alteration of this proviso or the proviso to paragraph 6 below,

the quorum shall be one or more persons present holding Notes or voting certificates or being proxies and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than two-thirds in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding.

6. If within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for any meeting a quorum is not present the meeting shall if convened upon the requisition of Noteholders be dissolved. In any other case it shall be adjourned to the same day in the next week (or if such day is a public holiday the next succeeding business day) at the same time and place (except in the case of a meeting at which an Extraordinary Resolution is to be proposed in which case it shall be adjourned for a period being not less than 14 days nor more than 42 days and at a place appointed by the Chair and approved by the Agent) and at the adjourned meeting one or more persons present holding Notes or voting certificates or being proxies (whatever the nominal amount of the Notes so held or represented by them) shall (subject as provided below) form a quorum and shall (subject as provided below) have power to pass any Extraordinary Resolution or other resolution and to decide upon all matters which could properly have been dealt with at the meeting from which the adjournment took place had the requisite quorum been present provided that at any

adjourned meeting the business of which includes any of the matters specified in the proviso to paragraph 5 the quorum shall be one or more persons present holding Notes or voting certificates or being proxies and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than one-third in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding.

7. Notice of any adjourned meeting at which an Extraordinary Resolution is to be submitted shall be given in the same manner as notice of an original meeting but as if 10 were substituted for 21 in paragraph 3 and the notice shall (except in cases where the proviso to paragraph 6 shall apply when it shall state the relevant quorum) state that one or more persons present holding Notes or voting certificates or being proxies at the adjourned meeting whatever the nominal amount of the Notes held or represented by them will form a quorum. Subject to this it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjourned meeting.
8. Every question submitted to a meeting shall be decided in the first instance by a show of hands and in the case of an equality of votes the Chair shall both on a show of hands and on a poll have a casting vote in addition to the vote or votes (if any) to which they may be entitled as a Noteholder or as a holder of a voting certificate or as a proxy.
9. At any meeting, unless a poll is (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded by the Chair or the Issuer or by one or more persons present holding Notes or voting certificates or being proxies (whatever the nominal amount of the Notes so held by them), a declaration by the Chair that a resolution has been carried or carried by a particular majority or lost or not carried by a particular majority shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against the resolution.
10. Subject to paragraph 12, if at any meeting a poll is demanded it shall be taken in the manner and, subject as provided below, either at once or after an adjournment as the Chair may direct and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded as at the date of the taking of the poll. The demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuance of the meeting for the transaction of any business other than the motion on which the poll has been demanded.
11. The Chair may with the consent of (and shall if directed by) any meeting adjourn the same from time to time and from place to place but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting except business which might lawfully (but for lack of required quorum) have been transacted at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
12. Any poll demanded at any meeting on the election of a Chair or on any question of adjournment shall be taken at the meeting without adjournment.
13. Any director or officer of the Issuer and its lawyers and financial advisers may attend and speak at any meeting. Subject to this, but without prejudice to the proviso to the definition of "**outstanding**" in clause 1 of this Agreement, no person shall be entitled to attend and speak nor shall any person be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Noteholders or join with others in requisitioning the convening of a meeting unless they either produce the Note or Notes of which they are the holder or a voting certificate or is a proxy. Neither the Issuer nor any of its Subsidiaries shall be entitled to vote at any meeting in respect of Notes held by it for the benefit of any such company and no other person shall be entitled to vote at any meeting in respect of Notes held by it for the benefit of any such company. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall prevent any of the proxies named in any block voting instruction from being a director, officer or representative of or otherwise connected with the Issuer.
14. Subject as provided in paragraph 13 at any meeting:

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- (a) on a show of hands every person who is present in person and produces a Note or voting certificate or is a proxy shall have one vote; and
 - (b) on a poll every person who is so present shall have one vote in respect of:
 - (i) in the case of a meeting of the holders of Notes all of which are denominated in a single currency, each minimum integral amount of that currency; and
 - (ii) in the case of a meeting of the holders of Notes denominated in more than one currency, each €1.00 or, in the case of a Note denominated in a currency other than euro, the equivalent of €1.00 in that currency at the Agent's spot buying rate for the relevant currency against U.S. dollars at or about 11.00 a.m. (London time) on the date of publication of the notice of the relevant meeting (or of the original meeting of which the meeting is an adjournment),

or such other amount as the Agent shall in its absolute discretion stipulate in nominal amount of Notes so produced or represented by the voting certificate so produced or in respect of which he is a proxy.

Without prejudice to the obligations of the proxies named in any block voting instruction any person entitled to more than one vote need not use all their votes or cast all the votes to which they are entitled in the same way.

- 15. The proxies named in any block voting instruction need not be Noteholders.
- 16. Each block voting instruction together (if so requested by the Issuer) with proof satisfactory to the Issuer of its due execution on behalf of the relevant Paying Agent shall be deposited not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the proxies named in the block voting instruction propose to vote at a place approved by the Agent and in default the block voting instruction shall not be treated as valid unless the Chair of the meeting decides otherwise before the meeting or adjourned meeting proceeds to business. A certified copy of each block voting instruction shall be deposited with the Agent before the commencement of the meeting or adjourned meeting but the Agent shall not as a result be obliged to investigate or be concerned with the validity of or the authority of the proxies named in the block voting instruction.
- 17. Any vote given in accordance with the terms of a block voting instruction shall be valid notwithstanding the previous revocation or amendment of the block voting instruction or of any of the Noteholders' instructions under which it was executed provided that no notice in writing of the revocation or amendment shall have been received from the relevant Paying Agent by the Issuer at its registered office (or any other place approved by the Agent for the purpose) by the time being 24 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the block voting instruction is to be used.
- 18. A meeting of the Noteholders shall in addition to the powers set out above have the following powers exercisable by Extraordinary Resolution (subject to the provisions relating to quorum contained in paragraphs 5 and 6) only, namely:
 - (a) power to sanction any compromise or arrangement proposed to be made between the Issuer and the Noteholders and Couponholders or any of them;

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- (b) power to sanction any abrogation, modification, compromise or arrangement in respect of the rights of the Noteholders and Couponholders against the Issuer or against any of its property whether such rights shall arise under this Agreement, the Notes or the Coupons or otherwise;
 - (c) power to assent to any modification of the provisions contained in this Agreement or the Conditions, the Notes, the Coupons or the Deed of Covenant which shall be proposed by the Issuer;
 - (d) power to give any authority or sanction which under the provisions of this Agreement or the Notes is required to be given by Extraordinary Resolution;
 - (e) power to appoint any persons (whether Noteholders or not) as a committee or committees to represent the interests of the Noteholders and to confer upon any committee or committees any powers or discretions which the Noteholders could themselves exercise by Extraordinary Resolution;
 - (f) power to sanction any scheme or proposal for the exchange or sale of the Notes for, or the conversion of the Notes into, or the cancellation of the Notes in consideration of, shares, stock, notes, bonds, debentures, debenture stock and/or other obligations and/or securities of the Issuer or any other company formed or to be formed, or for or into or in consideration of cash, or partly for or into or in consideration of shares, stock, notes, bonds, debentures, debenture stock and/or other obligations and/or securities as stated above and partly for or into or in consideration of cash; and
 - (g) power to approve the substitution of any entity in place of the Issuer (or any previous substitute) as the principal debtor in respect of the Notes and the Coupons.
19. Any resolution passed at a meeting of the Noteholders duly convened and held in accordance with these provisions shall be binding upon all the Noteholders whether present or not present at the meeting and whether or not voting and upon all Couponholders and each of them shall be bound to give effect to the resolution accordingly and the passing of any resolution shall be conclusive evidence that the circumstances justify its passing. Notice of the result of voting on any resolution duly considered by the Noteholders shall be published in accordance with Condition 14 by the Issuer within 14 days of the result being known provided that non-publication shall not invalidate the resolution.
20. The expression "**Extraordinary Resolution**" when used in this Agreement or the Conditions means a resolution passed at a meeting of the Noteholders duly convened and held in accordance with these provisions by a majority consisting of not less than 75 per cent. of the persons voting on the resolution upon a show of hands or if a poll was duly demanded then by a majority consisting of not less than 75 per cent. of the votes given on the poll.
21. Minutes of all resolutions and proceedings at every meeting shall be made and duly entered in books to be from time to time provided for that purpose by the Issuer and any minutes signed by the Chair of the meeting at which any resolution was passed or proceedings had shall be conclusive evidence of the matters contained in them and until the contrary is proved every meeting in respect of the proceedings of which minutes have been made shall be deemed to have been duly held and convened and all resolutions passed or proceedings had at the meeting to have been duly passed or had.
22. Subject to all other provisions contained in this Schedule the Agent may without the consent of the Issuer, the Noteholders or the Couponholders prescribe any further regulations

regarding the requisitioning and/or the holding of meetings of Noteholders and attendance and voting at them as the Agent may in its sole discretion think fit.

SCHEDULE 6

FORMS OF GLOBAL AND DEFINITIVE NOTES, COUPONS AND TALONS

PART I

FORM OF TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE

[ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.]⁽¹⁾

SPAREBANKEN VEST

TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE

This Global Note is a Temporary Global Note in respect of a duly authorised issue of Notes (the "**Notes**") of SPAREBANKEN VEST (the "**Issuer**") described, and having the provisions specified, in Part A of the attached Final Terms (the "**Final Terms**"). References in this Global Note to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions of the Notes as set out in Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) as completed by the information set out in the Final Terms, but in the event of any conflict between the provisions of (i) that Schedule or (ii) this Global Note and the information set out in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail.

Words and expressions defined or set out in the Conditions and/or the Final Terms shall have the same meaning when used in this Global Note.

This Global Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and an amended and restated Agency Agreement (the "**Agency Agreement**", which expression shall be construed as a reference to that agreement as the same may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 1 October 2024 and made between the Issuer, Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch (the "**Agent**") and the other agent named in it.

For value received the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions, promises to pay to the bearer of this Global Note on the Maturity Date (if any) and/or on such earlier date(s) as all or any of the Notes represented by this Global Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of the Notes represented by this Global Note on each such date and to pay interest (if any) on the nominal amount of the Notes from time to time represented by this Global Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions together with any other sums payable under the Conditions, upon presentation and, at maturity, surrender of this Global Note to or to the order of the Agent or any of the other paying agents located outside the United States (except as provided in the Conditions) from time to time appointed by the Issuer in respect of the Notes, but in each case subject to the requirements as to certification provided below.

If the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the aggregate amount from time to time entered in the records of both Euroclear Bank SA/NV and Clearstream Banking S.A. (together,

⁽¹⁾ This legend can be deleted if the Notes have an initial maturity of one year or less.

the "**relevant Clearing Systems**"). The records of the relevant Clearing Systems (which expression in this Global Note means the records that each relevant Clearing System holds for its customers which reflect the amount of such customer's interest in the Notes) shall be conclusive evidence of the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note and, for these purposes, a statement issued by a relevant Clearing System stating the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note at any time (which statement shall be made available to the bearer upon request) shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the relevant Clearing System at that time.

If the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the amount stated in the applicable Final Terms or, if lower, the nominal amount most recently entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in the relevant column in Part II or III of Schedule One or in Schedule Two.

On any redemption or payment of interest being made in respect of, or purchase and cancellation of, any of the Notes represented by this Global Note the Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and, upon any such entry being made, the nominal amount of the Notes recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the aggregate nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule One and the relevant space in Schedule One recording any such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer. Upon any such redemption or purchase and cancellation, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled.

Payments due in respect of Notes for the time being represented by this Global Note shall be made to the bearer of this Global Note and each payment so made will discharge the Issuer's obligations in respect thereof. Any failure to make the entries referred to above shall not affect such discharge.

Prior to the Exchange Date (as defined below), all payments (if any) on this Global Note will only be made to the bearer hereof to the extent that there is presented to the Agent by a relevant Clearing System a certificate to the effect that it has received from or in respect of a person entitled to a particular nominal amount of the Notes (as shown by its records) a certificate of non-US beneficial ownership in the form required by it. The bearer of this Global Note will not be entitled to receive any payment of interest due on or after the Exchange Date unless upon due certification exchange of this Global Note is improperly withheld or refused.

On or after the date (the "**Exchange Date**") which is 40 days after the Issue Date this Global Note may be exchanged in whole or in part (free of charge) for, as specified in the Final Terms, either (i) security printed Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and Talons in the form set out in Parts III, IV and V respectively of Schedule 6 to the Agency Agreement (on the basis that all the appropriate details have been included on the face of such Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and Talons and the Final Terms (or the relevant provisions of the Final Terms) have been endorsed on or attached to such Definitive Notes) or (ii) either, if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, interests recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems in a Permanent Global Note or, if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended

to be a New Global Note, a Permanent Global Note, which, in either case, is in or substantially in the form set out in Part II of Schedule 6 to the Agency Agreement (together with the Final Terms attached to it), in each case upon notice being given by a relevant Clearing System acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in this Global Note.

If Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and/or Talons have already been issued in exchange for all the Notes represented for the time being by the Permanent Global Note, then this Global Note may only thereafter be exchanged for Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and/or Talons in accordance with the terms of this Global Note.

This Global Note may be exchanged by the bearer hereof on any day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open for business in London at the office of the Agent specified above. The Issuer shall procure that the Definitive Notes or (as the case may be) the interests in the Permanent Global Note shall be (in the case of Definitive Notes) issued and delivered and (in the case of the Permanent Global Note where the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note) recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing System in exchange for only that portion of this Global Note in respect of which there shall have been presented to the Agent by a relevant Clearing System a certificate to the effect that it has received from or in respect of a person entitled to a beneficial interest in a particular nominal amount of the Notes (as shown by its records) a certificate of non-US beneficial ownership from such person in the form required by it. The aggregate nominal amount of Definitive Notes issued upon an exchange of this Global Note will, subject to the terms hereof, be equal to the aggregate nominal amount of this Global Note submitted by the bearer for exchange (to the extent that such nominal amount does not exceed the aggregate nominal amount of this Global Note).

On an exchange of the whole of this Global Note, this Global Note shall be surrendered to or to the order of the Agent. On an exchange of part only of this Global Note, the Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems; or
- (b) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two and the relevant space in Schedule Two recording such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer, whereupon the nominal amount of this Global Note and the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the nominal amount so exchanged. On any exchange of this Global Note for a Permanent Global Note, details of such exchange shall also be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two to the Permanent Global Note and the relevant space in Schedule Two to the Permanent Global Note recording such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer.

Until the exchange of the whole of this Global Note, the bearer of this Global Note shall in all respects (except as otherwise provided in this Global Note) be entitled to the same benefits as if he were the bearer of Definitive Notes and the relative Coupons and/or Talons (if any) represented by this Global Note. Accordingly, except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law or applicable regulation, the Issuer and any Paying Agent may deem and treat the holder of this Global Note as the absolute owner of this Global Note for all purposes.

In the event that this Global Note (or any part of it) has become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions or that the Maturity Date (if any) has occurred and, in either case, payment in full of the

amount due has not been made to the bearer in accordance with the provisions set out above then this Global Note will become void at 8.00 p.m. (London time) on such day and the bearer will have no further rights under this Global Note (but without prejudice to the rights which the bearer or any other person may have under the amended and restated Deed of Covenant executed by the Issuer on 3 July 2019 (as amended, supplemented, novated and/or restated as at the Issue Date) in respect of the Notes issued under the Programme Agreement pursuant to which this Global Note is issued).

No rights are conferred on any person under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Global Note, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

This Global Note and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law.

This Global Note shall not be valid unless authenticated by or on behalf of the Agent and, if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility, effectuated by the entity appointed as common safekeeper by the relevant Clearing Systems.

IN WITNESS whereof the Issuer has caused this Global Note to be duly executed on its behalf.

SPAREBANKEN VEST

By:

Authenticated without recourse,
warranty or liability by

**DEUTSCHE BANK AG,
LONDON BRANCH**

By:

Effectuated without recourse
warranty or liability by

.....

as common safekeeper

By:

PART II

FORM OF PERMANENT GLOBAL NOTE

[ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.](¹)

SPAREBANKEN VEST

PERMANENT GLOBAL NOTE

This Global Note is a Permanent Global Note in respect of a duly authorised issue of Notes (the "**Notes**") of SPAREBANKEN VEST (the "**Issuer**") described, and having the provisions specified, in Part A of the attached Final Terms (the "**Final Terms**"). References in this Global Note to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions of the Notes as set out in Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) as completed by the information set out in the Final Terms, but in the event of any conflict between the provisions of (i) that Schedule or (ii) this Global Note and the information set out in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail.

Words and expressions defined or set out in the Conditions and/or the Final Terms shall have the same meaning when used in this Global Note.

This Global Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and an amended and restated Agency Agreement (the "**Agency Agreement**", which expression shall be construed as a reference to that agreement as the same may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 1 October 2024 and made between the Issuer, Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch (the "**Agent**") and the other agent named in it.

For value received the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions, promises to pay to the bearer of this Global Note on the Maturity Date (if any) and/or on such earlier date(s) as all or any of the Notes represented by this Global Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of the Notes represented by this Global Note on each such date and to pay interest (if any) on the nominal amount of the Notes from time to time represented by this Global Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions together with any other sums payable under the Conditions, upon presentation and, at maturity, surrender of this Global Note to or to the order of the Agent or any of the other paying agents located outside the United States (except as provided in the Conditions) from time to time appointed by the Issuer in respect of the Notes.

If the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the aggregate amount from time to time entered in the records of both Euroclear Bank SA/NV and Clearstream Banking S.A. (together, the "**relevant Clearing Systems**"). The records of the relevant Clearing Systems (which expression in this Global Note means the records that each relevant Clearing System holds for its customers which reflect the amount of such customer's interest in the Notes) shall be conclusive evidence of the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note and, for these purposes, a statement issued by a

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relevant Clearing System stating the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note at any time (which statement shall be made available to the bearer upon request) shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the relevant Clearing System at that time.

If the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the amount stated in the applicable Final Terms or, if lower, the nominal amount most recently entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in the relevant column in Part II or III of Schedule One or in Schedule Two.

On any redemption or interest being made in respect of, or purchase and cancellation of, any of the Notes represented by this Global Note the Issuer shall procure that:

- (i) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and, upon any such entry being made, the nominal amount of the Notes recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the aggregate nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled; or
- (ii) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule One and the relevant space in Schedule One recording any such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer. Upon any such redemption or purchase and cancellation, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled.

Payments due in respect of Notes for the time being represented by this Global Note shall be made to the bearer of this Global Note and each payment so made will discharge the Issuer's obligations in respect thereof. Any failure to make the entries referred to above shall not affect such discharge.

Where the Notes have initially been represented by one or more Temporary Global Notes, on any exchange of any such Temporary Global Note for this Global Note or any part of it, the Issuer shall procure that:

- (i) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems; or
- (ii) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two and the relevant space in Schedule Two recording any such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer. Upon any such exchange, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be increased by the nominal amount of the Notes so exchanged.

In certain circumstances further notes may be issued which are intended on issue to be consolidated and form a single Series with the Notes. In such circumstances the Issuer shall procure that:

- (i) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such further notes may be entered in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems such that the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note may be increased by the amount of such further notes so issued; or

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- (ii) if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such further Notes shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two and the relevant space in Schedule Two recording such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer, whereupon the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be increased by the nominal amount of any such Temporary Global Note so exchanged.

This Global Note may be exchanged in whole but not in part (free of charge) for Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and/or Talons in the form set out in Parts III, IV and V respectively of Schedule 6 to the Agency Agreement (on the basis that all the appropriate details have been included on the face of such Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and Talons and the Final Terms (or the relevant provisions of the Final Terms) have been endorsed on or attached to such Definitive Notes) either, as specified in the applicable Final Terms:

- (i) upon not less than 60 days' written notice being given to the Agent by one or more of the relevant Clearing Systems acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in this Global Note; or
- (ii) only upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event.

An "**Exchange Event**" means that the Issuer has been notified that both relevant Clearing Systems have been closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or have announced an intention permanently to cease business or have in fact done so and no successor clearing system is available.

If this Global Note is only exchangeable following the occurrence of an Exchange Event:

- (i) the Issuer will promptly give notice to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14 upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event; and
- (ii) in the event of the occurrence of any Exchange Event, one or more of the relevant Clearing Systems acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in this Global Note may give notice to the Agent requesting exchange. Any such exchange shall occur no later than 45 days after the date of receipt of the first relevant notice by the Agent.

Any such exchange will be made on any day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open for business in London by the bearer of this Global Note. On an exchange of this Global Note, this Global Note shall be surrendered to or to the order of the Agent. The aggregate nominal amount of Definitive Notes issued upon an exchange of this Global Note will be equal to the aggregate nominal amount of this Global Note at the time of such exchange.

Until the exchange of this Global Note, the bearer of this Global Note shall in all respects (except as otherwise provided in this Global Note) be entitled to the same benefits as if he were the bearer of Definitive Notes and the relative Coupons and/or Talons (if any) represented by this Global Note. Accordingly, except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law or applicable regulation, the Issuer and any Paying Agent may deem and treat the holder of this Global Note as the absolute owner of this Global Note for all purposes.

In the event that this Global Note (or any part of it) has become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions or that the Maturity Date (if any) has occurred and, in either case, payment in full of the amount due has not been made to the bearer in accordance with the provisions set out above then this Global Note will become void at 8.00 p.m. (London time) on such day and the bearer will have no

further rights under this Global Note (but without prejudice to the rights which the bearer or any other person may have under the amended and restated Deed of Covenant executed by the Issuer on 3 July 2019 (as amended, supplemented, novated and/or restated as at the Issue Date) in respect of the Notes issued under the Programme Agreement pursuant to which this Global Note is issued).

No rights are conferred on any person under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Global Note, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

This Global Note and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law.

This Global Note shall not be valid unless authenticated by or on behalf of the Agent and, if the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility, effectuated by the entity appointed as common safekeeper by the relevant Clearing Systems.

IN WITNESS whereof the Issuer has caused this Global Note to be duly executed on its behalf.

SPAREBANKEN VEST

By:

Authenticated without recourse,
warranty or liability by

**DEUTSCHE BANK AG,
LONDON BRANCH**

By:

Effectuated without recourse,
warranty or liability by

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as common safekeeper

By:

PART III

FORM OF DEFINITIVE NOTE

[Face of Note]

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SPAREBANKEN VEST

[Specified Currency and Nominal Amount of Tranche] Notes [Due [Year of Maturity]]

This Note is one of a duly authorised issue of Notes denominated in the Specified Currency [and maturing on the Maturity Date] (the "**Notes**") of SPAREBANKEN VEST (the "**Issuer**"). References in this Note to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions [endorsed on this Note/attached to this Note/set out in Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) which shall be incorporated by reference in this Note and have effect as if set out in it] as completed by Part A of the Final Terms (the "**Final Terms**") (or the relevant provisions of the Final Terms) endorsed on this Note but, in the event of any conflict between the provisions of the Conditions and the information in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail.

This Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and an amended and restated Agency Agreement (the "**Agency Agreement**", which expression shall be construed as a reference to that agreement as the same may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 1 October 2024 and made between the Issuer, Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch (the "**Agent**") and the other agent named in it.

For value received, the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions, promises to pay to the bearer of this Note on the Maturity Date (if any) and/or on such earlier date(s) as this Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of this Note on each such date and to pay interest (if any) on this Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions together with any other sums payable under the Conditions.

This Note shall not be validly issued unless authenticated by or on behalf of the Agent.

IN WITNESS whereof the Issuer has caused this Note to be duly executed on its behalf.

SPAREBANKEN VEST

By:

(1) This legend can be deleted if the Notes have an initial maturity of one year or less.

Authenticated without recourse,
warranty or liability by

**DEUTSCHE BANK AG,
LONDON BRANCH**

By:

[Reverse of Note]

Terms and Conditions

*[Terms and Conditions to be as set out in
Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement]*

Final Terms

*[Here may be set out text of Final Terms
relating to the Notes]*

PART IV
FORM OF COUPON

[Face of Coupon]

SPAREBANKEN VEST

[Specified Currency and Nominal Amount of Tranche]
Notes [Due [Year of Maturity]]

Part A

For Fixed Rate Notes:

This Coupon is payable to bearer, separately negotiable and subject to the Terms and Conditions of the Notes to which it appertains.

Coupon for
[]
due on
[]

Part B

For Floating Rate Notes:

Coupon for the amount due in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Notes to which it appertains on the Interest Payment Date falling in [].

Coupon due
in []

This Coupon is payable to bearer, separately negotiable and subject to such Terms and Conditions, under which it may become void before its due date.

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PART V
FORM OF TALON

[Face of Talon]

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SPAREBANKEN VEST

[Specified Currency and Nominal Amount of Tranche] Notes [Due [Year of Maturity]]

Series No. []

On and after [] further Coupons [and a further Talon] appertaining to the Note to which this Talon appertains will be issued at the specified office of any of the Paying Agents set out on the reverse hereof (and/or any other or further Paying Agents and/or specified offices as may from time to time be duly appointed and notified to the Noteholders) upon production and surrender of this Talon.

This Talon may, in certain circumstances, become void under the Terms and Conditions endorsed on the Note to which this Talon appertains.

SPAREBANKEN VEST

By:

[Reverse of Coupon and Talon]

AGENT and PAYING AGENT

Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch

21 Moorfields
London EC2Y 9DB

and/or such other or further Agent or other Paying Agents and/or specified offices as may from time to time be duly appointed by the Issuer and notice of which has been given to the Noteholders.

SCHEDULE 7

ADDITIONAL DUTIES OF THE AGENT

In relation to each Series of Notes that are NGNs, the Agent will comply with the following provisions:

1. The Agent will inform each of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (the "ICSDs"), through the common service provider appointed by the ICSDs to service the Notes (the "CSP"), of the initial issue outstanding amount ("IOA") for each Tranche on or prior to the relevant Issue Date.
2. If any event occurs that requires a mark up or mark down of the records which an ICSD holds for its customers to reflect such customers' interest in the Notes, the Agent will (to the extent known to it) promptly provide details of the amount of such mark up or mark down, together with a description of the event that requires it, to the ICSDs (through the "CSP") to ensure that the IOA of the Notes remains at all times accurate.
3. The Agent will at least once every month reconcile its record of the IOA of the Notes with information received from the ICSDs (through the CSP) with respect to the IOA maintained by the ICSDs for the Notes and will promptly inform the ICSDs (through the CSP) of any discrepancies.
4. The Agent will promptly assist the ICSDs (through the CSP) in resolving any discrepancy identified in the IOA of the Notes.
5. The Agent will promptly provide to the ICSDs (through the CSP) details of all amounts paid by it under the Notes (or, where the Notes provide for delivery of assets other than cash, of the assets so delivered).
6. The Agent will (to the extent known to it) promptly provide to the ICSDs (through the CSP) notice of any changes to the Notes that will affect the amount of, or date for, any payment due under the Notes.
7. The Agent will (to the extent known to it) promptly provide to the ICSDs (through the CSP) copies of all information that is given to the holders of the Notes.
8. The Agent will promptly pass on to the Issuer all communications it receives from the ICSDs directly or through the CSP relating to the Notes.
9. The Agent will (to the extent known to it) promptly notify the ICSDs (through the CSP) of any failure by the Issuer to make any payment or delivery due under the Notes when due.

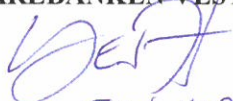
SIGNATORIES

This Agreement has been entered into on the date stated at the beginning of this Agreement.

The Issuer

SPAREBANKEN VEST

By:


JOHN HOPP, HEAD OF TREASURY

The Agent and the Paying Agent

DEUTSCHE BANK AG, LONDON BRANCH

By:

Name:

Title:

By:

Name:

Title:

SIGNATORIES

This Agreement has been entered into on the date stated at the beginning of this Agreement.


The Issuer


SPAREBANKEN VEST

By:

The Agent and the Paying Agent

DEUTSCHE BANK AG, LONDON BRANCH

By: 
Name: *Lauren Taber*
Title: *Vice President*

By: 
Name: *J. WOODGER*
Title: *VICE PRESIDENT*