

ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND GROUP PLC
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Report of Foreign Private Issuer

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the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For 1 November 2018

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The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc

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Royal Bank of Scotland Group

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The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc – changes to the UK intra-Group capital and liquidity arrangements

Further to previous announcements on its restructuring activity in response to the UK ring-fencing legislation, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc ('RBSG' and, together with its subsidiaries, 'RBS Group') is today announcing changes to the management of capital and liquidity within the RBS Group.

The RBS Group's major UK entities are parties to a legally binding Capital Support Deed ('CSD') and a Domestic Liquidity Sub-Group Arrangement ('DoLSub'). The CSD and the DoLSub are intra-group capital and liquidity support agreements that secure certain regulatory permissions authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority ('PRA').

To support its new ring-fenced structure, the RBS Group has sought revised regulatory permissions from the PRA which become effective today, and is therefore restructuring its CSD and the DoLSub arrangements in line with previous disclosure.

As of the date of this announcement, NatWest Markets Plc holds and manages its own liquidity portfolio and has a separate CSD (the 'Non-Ring-Fence Entities CSD') for its UK entities outside the ring-fence; this CSD includes NatWest Markets Plc (the only UK bank entity outside the ring-fence) and certain non-bank UK subsidiaries of NatWest Markets Plc and will facilitate capital support among the participating entities in the NatWest Markets group (NatWest Markets Plc and its subsidiaries).

The RFB sub-group CSD, within NatWest Holdings plc, now includes the four UK RFB sub-group banks (National Westminster Bank Plc, The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, Coutts & Company and Ulster Bank Limited) together with certain material non-bank UK subsidiaries. To preserve its independence as the ultimate parent company, RBSG is no longer a party to either the RFB sub-group CSD or the Non-Ring-Fence Entities CSD.

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Forward Looking Statements

This announcement contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including those related to RBS and its subsidiaries' regulatory capital position, and requirements, financial position, future pension funding requirements, on-going litigation and regulatory investigations, profitability, risk-weighted assets, impairment losses and credit exposures under certain specified scenarios. In addition, forward-looking statements may include, without limitation, statements typically containing words such as "intends", "expects", "anticipates", "targets", "plans", "believes", "risk", "estimates" and words of similar import. These statements concern or may affect future matters, such as RBS's future economic results, business and capital plans and current strategies. Forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that might cause actual results and performance to differ materially from any expected future results or performance expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to differences in current expectations include, but are not limited to, legislative, fiscal and regulatory

developments, accounting standards, competitive conditions, technological developments, exchange rate fluctuations and general economic conditions. These and other factors, risks and uncertainties that may impact any forward-looking statement or RBS's actual results are discussed in RBS's UK annual report and accounts and interim reports and materials filed with, or furnished to, the US Securities and Exchange Commission, including, but not limited to, RBS's Reports on Form 6-K and most recent Annual Report on Form 20-F. The forward-looking statements contained in this announcement speak only as of the date of this announcement and RBS does not assume or undertake any obligation or responsibility to update any of the forward-looking statements contained in this announcement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except to the extent legally required.

Signatures

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

THE ROYAL BANK OF
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(Registrant)

Date: 1 November 2018 By: /s/ Jan Cargill
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