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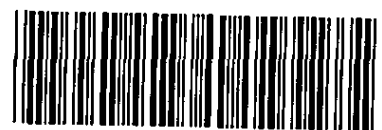
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MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

AIB GROUP HOLDINGS (U.K.) LIMITED

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CERTIFICATION
WE HEREBY CERTIFY that this print
incorporates all alterations made to
this Company's Memorandum of
Association by way of filed resolutions and
complies with the requirements of
Section 18 of the Companies Act 1985

MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION OF

AIB GROUP HOLDINGS (U.K.) LIMITED

1. *The Company's name is "AIB GROUP HOLDINGS (U.K.) LIMITED".
2. The Company's registered office is to be situated in England and Wales.
3. The Company's objects are:-

3.1 to carry on the business of a holding company and to co-ordinate, finance and manage all or any part of the businesses and operations of any and all companies controlled directly or indirectly by the Company or in which the Company is interested, whether as a shareholder or otherwise and whether directly or indirectly.

3.2 To carry on any other business or activity of any nature whatsoever which may seem to the Directors to be capable of being conveniently or advantageously carried on in connection or conjunction with any business of the Company hereinbefore or hereinafter authorised or to be expedient with a view directly or indirectly to enhancing the value of or to rendering profitable or more profitable any of the Company's assets or utilising its skills, know-how or expertise.

3.3 To subscribe, underwrite, purchase, or otherwise acquire, and to hold, dispose of, and deal with, any shares or other securities or investments of any nature whatsoever, and any options or rights in respect thereof or interests therein, and to buy and sell foreign exchange.

* By Special Resolution passed on 16 May 1991 the name of the Company changed from "ALLIED IRISH FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED".

3.4 To draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, negotiate, execute, and issue, and to buy, sell and deal with bills of exchange, promissory notes, and other negotiable or transferable instruments or securities.

3.5 To purchase, or otherwise acquire for any estate or interest any property (real or personal) or assets or any concessions, licences, grants, patents, trade marks, copyrights or other exclusive or non-exclusive rights of any kind and to hold, develop and turn to account and deal with the same in such manner as may be thought fit and to make experiments and tests and to carry on all kinds of research work.

3.6 To build, construct, alter, remove, replace, equip, execute, carry out, improve, work, develop, administer, maintain, manage or control buildings, structures or facilities of all kinds, whether for the purposes of the Company or for sale, letting or hire to or in return for any consideration from any company, firm or person, and to contribute to or assist in or carry out any part of any such operation.

3.7 To amalgamate or enter into partnership or any joint venture or profit/loss-sharing arrangement or other association with any company, firm, person or body.

3.8 To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the business, property and liabilities of any company, firm, person or body carrying on any business which the Company is authorised to carry on or possessed of any property suitable for the purposes of the Company.

3.9 To promote, or join in the promotion of, any company, whether or not having objects similar to those of the Company.

3.10 To borrow and raise money and to secure or discharge any debt or obligation of or binding on the Company in such manner as may be thought fit and in particular by mortgages and charges upon all or any part of the undertaking, property and assets (present and future) and the uncalled capital of the Company, or by the creation and issue of debentures, debenture stock or other securities of any description.

3.11 To advance, lend or deposit money or give credit to or with any company, firm or person on such terms as may be thought fit and with or without security.

3.12 To guarantee or give indemnities or provide security, whether by personal covenant or by mortgage or charge upon all or any part of the undertaking, property and assets (present and future) and the uncalled capital of the Company, or by all or any such methods, for the performance of any contracts or obligations, and the payment of capital or principal (together with any premium) and dividends or interest on any shares, debentures or other securities, of any person, firm or company including (without limiting the generality of the foregoing) any company which is for the time being a holding company of the Company or another subsidiary of any such holding company or is associated with the Company in business.

3.13 To issue any securities which the Company has power to issue for any other purpose by way of security or indemnity or in satisfaction of any liability undertaken or agreed to be undertaken by the Company.

3.14 To sell, lease, grant licences, easements and other rights over, and in any other manner deal with or dispose of, the undertaking, property, assets, rights and effects of the Company or any part thereof for such consideration as may be thought fit, and in particular for shares or other securities, whether fully or partly paid up.

3.15 To procure the registration, recognition or incorporation of the Company in or under the laws of any territory outside England.

3.16 To subscribe or guarantee money for any national, charitable, benevolent, public, general or useful object or for any purpose which may be considered likely directly or indirectly to further the interests of the Company or of its members.

3.17 To establish and maintain or contribute to any pension or superannuation funds for the benefit of, and to give or procure the giving of donations, gratuities, pensions, allowances or emoluments to, any individuals who are or were at any time in the employment or service of the Company or of any company which is its holding company or is a subsidiary of the Company or any such holding company or otherwise is allied to or associated with the Company or any of the predecessors of the Company or any other such company as aforesaid, or who are or were at any time directors or officers of the Company or of any such other company, and the wives, widows, families and dependants of any such individuals: to establish and subsidise or subscribe to any institutions, associations, clubs or funds which may be considered likely to benefit any such persons or to further the interests of the Company or of any such other company; and to make payments for or towards the insurance of any such persons.

3.18 To establish and maintain, and to contribute to, any scheme for encouraging or facilitating the holding of shares or debentures in the Company by or for the benefit of its employees or former employees, or those of its subsidiary or holding company or subsidiary of its holding company, or by or for the benefit of such other persons as may for the time being be permitted by law, or any scheme for sharing profits with its employees or those of its subsidiary and/or associated companies, and (so far as for the time being permitted by law) to lend money to employees of the Company or of any Company which is its holding Company or is a subsidiary of the Company or any such holding Company or otherwise is allied to or associated with the Company with a view to enabling them to acquire shares in the Company or its holding company.

3.19 To distribute among members of the Company in specie or otherwise, by way of dividend or bonus or by way of reduction of capital, all or any of the property or assets of the Company, or any proceeds of sale or other disposal of any property or assets of the Company, with and subject to any incident authorised and consent required by law.

3.20 To do all or any of the things and matters aforesaid in any part of the world, and either as principals, agents, contractors, trustees or otherwise, and by

or through trustees, agents, subsidiary companies or otherwise, and either alone or in conjunction with others.

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3.22 To do all such other things as may be considered to be incidental or conducive to any of the above objects.

And it is hereby declared that the objects of the Company as specified in each of the foregoing paragraphs of this Clause (except only if and so far as otherwise expressly provided in any paragraph) shall be separate and distinct objects of the Company and shall not be in any way limited by reference to any other paragraph or the order in which the same occur or the name of the Company.

4. The liability of the members is limited.

5. *The Company's share capital is £670,279,800 divided into 670,279,800 shares of £1 each.

* By Ordinary Resolution passed on 16th May 1991 the share capital was increased to £20,000,000 by the creation of 19,999,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each.

* By Ordinary Resolution passed 27th July 1994 the share capital was increased to £60,000,000 by the creation of 40,000,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each.

* By Written Resolution passed 30th September 1996 the share capital was increased to £300,000,000 by the creation of 240,000,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each.

* With effect from 23rd June 2005 the capital of the Company was by virtue of a Written Resolution of the Company passed on 26th April 2005 and with the sanction of an Order of the High Court of Justice dated 22nd June 2005 and registered on 23rd June 2005, reduced from £300,000,000 divided into 300,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each to £230,000,000 divided into 230,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each.

* By Special Resolution passed 6th July 2006 the share capital was increased to £405,000,000 by the creation of 175,000,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each.

* By Special Resolution passed on 13th December 2006 the share capital was increased to £570,279,800 by the creation of 165,279,800 Ordinary shares of £1 each.

* By Special Resolution passed on 29th July 2009 the share capital was increased to £670,279,800 by the creation of 100,000,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each.

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Company Limited by Shares

Articles of Association of

AIB Group Holdings (UK) Limited

Certification

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that this print incorporates all alterations made to this Company's Articles of Association by way of filed Resolutions and complies with the requirements of Section 18 of the Companies Act 1985.

PRELIMINARY

1. The regulations contained in Table A in The Companies (Tables A to F) Regulations 1985 (as amended so as to affect companies first registered on the date of the adoption of these Articles) shall, except as hereinafter provided and so far as not inconsistent with the provisions of these Articles, apply to the Company to the exclusion of all other regulation or Articles of Association. References herein to regulations are to regulations in the said Table A unless otherwise stated.

SHARE CAPITAL

2. With effect from 29th July 2009 the share capital of the Company is £670,279,800 divided into 670,279,800 ordinary shares of £1 each.

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3. Subject to Section 80 of the Companies Act 1985, all unissued shares shall be at the disposal of the Directors and they may allot, grant options over or otherwise dispose of them to such persons, at such times, and on such terms as they think proper and Section 89(1) of the Companies Act 1985 shall not apply.

PROCEEDINGS AT GENERAL MEETINGS

4. In the case of a corporation a resolution in writing may be signed on its behalf by a Director or the Secretary thereof or by its duly appointed attorney or duly authorised representative. Regulation 53 shall be extended accordingly. Regulation 53 (as extended) shall apply mutatis mutandis to resolutions in writing of any class of members of the Company.

5. An instrument appointing a proxy (and, where it is signed on behalf of the appointor by an attorney, the letter or power of attorney or a duly certified copy thereof) must either be delivered at such place or one of such places (if any) as may be specified for that purpose in or by way of note to the notice convening the meeting (or, if no place is so specified, at the registered office) at least one hour before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting or (in the case of a poll taken otherwise than at or on the same day as the meeting or adjourned meeting) for the taking of the poll at which it is to be used or be delivered to the Secretary (or the chairman of the meeting) on the day and at the place of, but in any event before the time appointed for holding, the meeting or adjourned meeting or poll. An instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid until such delivery shall have been effected. Regulation 62 shall not apply.

NUMBER OF DIRECTORS

6. The Directors shall not be less than one nor more than 10 in number. Regulation 64 shall be modified accordingly.

DELEGATION OF DIRECTORS' POWERS

7. In addition to the powers to delegate contained in Regulation 72, the Directors may delegate any of their powers to any committee consisting of one or more Directors and one or more co-opted persons. Insofar as any such power is so delegated any references in the regulations or articles to the exercise by the Director of such power shall be read and constructed as if it were a reference to such committee. The Directors may authorise the co-option to such a committee of persons other than Directors and for such co-opted members to have voting rights as members of the committee but so that (i) the number of co-opted members shall be less than one-half of the total number of members of the committee and (ii) no resolution of the committee shall be effective unless a majority of the members of the committee present at the meeting are Directors. Regulation 72 shall be modified accordingly.

APPOINTMENT AND RETIREMENT OF DIRECTORS

8. The Directors shall not be subject to retirement by rotation and references thereto in Regulation 73 to 80 shall be disregarded. A Director appointed under Regulation 79 to fill a casual vacancy or as an additional Director shall hold office

until he vacates office in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 81 and to that extent the provisions of Regulation 79 shall be disregarded.

DISQUALIFICATION AND REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS

9. The office of a Director shall be vacated in any of the events specified in Regulation 81 and also if he shall in writing offer to resign and the Directors shall resolve to accept such offer or if he shall have served upon him a notice in writing signed by all his co-Directors (being at least two in number) removing him from office as Director, but so that in the case of a Managing Director such removal shall be deemed an act of the Company and shall have effect without prejudice to any claim for damages for breach of any contract of service between him and the Company.

REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS

10. Any Director who serves on any committee, or who otherwise performs services which in the opinion of the Directors are outside the scope of the ordinary duties of a Director, may be paid such extra remuneration by way of salary, commission or otherwise as the Directors may determine. Regulation 82 shall be extended accordingly.

INSURANCE

11. Without prejudice to the provisions of Regulation 87, the Directors shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance for or for the benefit of any persons who are or were at any time Directors, officers, employees or auditors of the Company, or of any other company which is its holding company or in which the Company or such holding company or any of the predecessors of the Company or of such holding company has any interest whether direct or indirect or which is in any way allied to or associated with the Company, or of any subsidiary undertaking of the Company or of any such other company, or who are or were at any time trustees of any pension fund in which employees of the Company or of any other such company or subsidiary undertaking are interested, including (without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) insurance against any liability incurred by such persons in respect of any act or omission in the actual or purported execution and/or discharge of their duties and/or in the exercise or purported exercise of their powers and/or otherwise in relation to their duties, powers or offices in relation to the Company or any other such company, subsidiary undertaking or pension fund; for the purposes of this Article "holding company" and "subsidiary undertaking" shall have the same meanings as in the Companies Act 1989.

PROCEEDINGS OF DIRECTORS

12. On any matter in which a Director is in any way interested he may nevertheless vote and be taken into account for the purposes of a quorum and (save as otherwise agreed) may retain for his own absolute use and benefit all profits and advantages directly or indirectly accruing to him thereunder or in consequence thereof. Regulations 94 to 98 shall not apply.

INDEMNITY

13. Subject to the provisions of and so far as may be permitted by law, every Director, Auditor, Secretary or other officer of the Company shall be entitled to be indemnified by the Company out of its own funds against all costs, charges, losses, expenses and liabilities incurred by him in the actual or purported execution and/or discharge of his duties and/or the exercise or purported exercise of his powers and/or otherwise in relation to or in connection with his duties, powers or office including (without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) any liability incurred by him in defending any proceedings, civil or criminal, which relate to anything done or omitted or alleged to have been done or omitted by him as an officer or employee of the Company and in which judgment is given in his favour (or the proceedings are otherwise disposed of without any finding or admission of any material breach of duty on his part) or in which he is acquitted or in connection with any application under any statute for relief from liability in respect of any such act or omission in which relief is granted to him by the Court. Regulation 118 shall not apply.

OVERRIDING PROVISIONS

14. Whenever Allied Irish Bank, p.l.c. (hereinafter called "the Parent Company"), or any subsidiary undertaking of the Parent Company, shall be the holder of not less than 90 per cent. of the issued Ordinary Shares the following provisions shall apply and to the extent of any inconsistency shall have overriding effect as against all other provisions of these Articles:-

14.1 the Parent Company may at any time and from time to time appoint any person to be a Director or remove from office any Director howsoever appointed but so that in the case of a Managing Director his removal from office shall be deemed an act of the Company and shall have effect without prejudice to any claim for damages for breach of any contract of service between him and the Company;

14.2 no unissued shares shall be issued or agreed to be issued or put under option without the consent of the Parent Company;

14.3 any or all powers of the Directors shall be restricted in such respects and to such extent as the Parent Company may by notice to the Company from time to time prescribe.

Any such appointment, removal, consent or notice shall be in writing served on the Company and signed on behalf of the Parent Company by any two of its Directors or by any one of its Directors and its Secretary or some other person duly authorised for the purpose. No person dealing with the Company shall be concerned to see or enquire as to whether the powers of the Directors have been in any way restricted hereunder or as to whether any requisite consent of the Parent Company has been obtained and no obligation incurred or security given or transaction effected by the Company to or with any third party shall be invalid or ineffectual unless the third party had at the time express notice that the incurring of such obligation or the giving of such security or the effecting of such transaction was in excess of the powers of the Directors.