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Allied Irish Banks, p.l.c. announces delisting from the NYSE

Following previous announcements on 4 August and 16 August 2011, Allied Irish Banks, p.l.c. ("AIB") [NYSE: AIB] announces that its American Depositary Shares ("ADSs") have now been deemed to be delisted and have ceased to be traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

Following delisting, AIB intends to terminate the ADS facility by terminating the ADS deposit agreement between AIB and the Bank of New York Mellon as depository (the "Depository"). The Depository will contact ADS holders in due course with further information, including with regard to any further action to be taken. Following delisting and prior to termination of the Deposit Agreement, AIB's ADS will trade over the counter in the United States.

In due course, AIB also intends to deregister its securities and terminate its obligations under the US Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") by filing a Form 15F.

Information required to be made available pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act will be made available on AIB's website at www.aibgroup.com.

AIB's ordinary shares will continue to trade on the Enterprise Securities Market of the Irish Stock Exchange.

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