# IMPORTANT LEGAL NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE CLASS FORWARD TO CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS/LEGAL COUNSEL

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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No. 13-cv-2811 (PKC)

# NOTICE OF PROPOSED CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT, SEPTEMBER 7, 2023 SETTLEMENT HEARING THEREON, AND SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBERS' RIGHTS

TO: ALL PERSONS AND ENTITIES WHO TRANSACTED IN EURIBOR PRODUCTS BETWEEN JUNE 1, 2005 AND MARCH 31, 2011, INCLUSIVE

A federal court authorized this Notice. This is not a solicitation from a lawyer. You are not being sued.

PLEASE READ THIS ENTIRE NOTICE CAREFULLY. YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT PENDING IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK. THIS NOTICE ADVISES YOU OF YOUR OPTIONS REGARDING THE CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT, INCLUDING WHAT YOU MUST DO IF YOU WISH TO SHARE IN THE NET SETTLEMENT FUND.

If you are a brokerage firm, swaps dealer, or trustee through which Euribor Products<sup>1</sup> were traded between June 1, 2005 and March 31, 2011, inclusive, on behalf of customers that are Settlement Class Members as defined in Section I.C below, you are requested to (i) provide the name and last known address of such customers to the Claims Administrator at the address listed in Section VIII below within two weeks of receiving this Notice so that the Claims Administrator will cause copies of this Notice to be forwarded to each customer identified at the address so designated; or (ii) request from the Claims Administrator sufficient copies of this Notice to forward directly to beneficial owners of the Euribor Products. You may be reimbursed from the Settlement Fund for your reasonable out-of-pocket expenses upon request following submission of appropriate supporting documentation. All communications regarding the foregoing should be addressed to the Claims Administrator at the address listed in Section VIII.

This Notice of the pendency of this class action and of the proposed settlement is being given pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and an Order of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court"). The purpose of this Notice is to inform you of your rights in connection with the proposed settlement and the pendency of the above-captioned class action (the "Action").

Plaintiffs<sup>2</sup> are traders of Euribor Products. Plaintiffs allege that Defendants conspired to manipulate and manipulated the Euro Interbank Offered Rate ("Euribor") and the prices of Euribor Products between June 1, 2005 and March 31, 2011, inclusive ("Class Period").

The Settling Defendant is Société Générale. Société Générale has denied and continues to deny Plaintiffs' claims.

Plaintiffs entered into a settlement with Société Générale on March 31, 2023 (the "Settlement Agreement"). To resolve the claims against them, Société Générale agreed to pay by wire transfer a total of \$105,000,000 into the Escrow Account within ten (10) business days after entry of the Preliminary Approval Order. The foregoing payment, plus all interest earned thereon, constitutes the Settlement Fund.

Right to Submit a Proof of Claim and Release in the Settlement. Settlement Class Members may be entitled to share in the Net Settlement Fund if they previously submitted a valid and timely Proof of Claim and Release in connection with any of the earlier settlements in this Action, or if a Proof of Claim and Release is postmarked no later than October 9, 2023. See Section III.A and Section IV below. The Proof of Claim and Release is attached and/or is available at <a href="https://www.EuriborSettlement.com">www.EuriborSettlement.com</a> (the "Settlement Website").

However, if you are a Settlement Class Member and do not file a Proof of Claim and Release, you will still be bound by the releases set forth in the Settlement Agreement if the Court enters an order approving the Settlement. *See* Section II.A.3 below.

Settlement Hearing and Right to Object. The Court has scheduled a public hearing on final approval for September 7, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. (ET) ("Settlement Hearing"). The purpose of the Settlement Hearing is to determine, among other things, whether the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, the application by Class Counsel for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of expenses, and Plaintiffs' application for an Incentive Award (if any) are fair, reasonable, and adequate. If you remain in the Settlement Class, then you may object to any aspect of the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, Class Counsel's request for attorneys' fees and expenses, or any other matters.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Euribor Products" means any and all interest rate swaps, forward rate agreements, futures, options, structured products, and any other instrument or transaction related in any way to Euribor, including but not limited to New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") London International Financial Futures and Options Exchange ("LIFFE") Euribor futures contracts and options, Chicago Mercantile Exchange ("CME") Euro currency futures contracts and options, Euro currency forward agreements, Euribor-based swaps, Euribor-based forward rate agreements, and/or any other financial instruments that reference Euribor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Plaintiffs include Stephen Sullivan, White Oak Fund LP, California State Teachers' Retirement System, any subsequently named plaintiff(s), and any of their assignees that may exist now or in the future, including but not limited to Fund Liquidation Holdings, LLC (collectively, the "Plaintiffs").

See Section III.B below. All objections must be made in accordance with the instructions set forth below and must be filed with the Court on or before August 3, 2023, or they will not be considered. See Section III.B below.

Only Members of the Settlement Class Who Previously Submitted a Valid Proof of Claim and Release or Who Do So in Response to this Notice Will Be Eligible to Participate in the Net Settlement Fund. Assuming final approval by the Court, the one hundred five million dollars (\$105,000,000), plus interest, in Settlement obtained from Société Générale will, net of such attorneys' fees, costs, fees, taxes, and other deductions as are approved by the Court, be distributed to the members of the Settlement Class who properly complete and timely return a valid Proof of Claim and Release form, and are entitled to distribution under the Plan of Allocation. IF YOU TIMELY SUBMITTED A VALID PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE PURSUANT TO THE CLASS NOTICE DATED NOVEMBER 29, 2017, THE CLASS NOTICE DATED DECEMBER 19, 2018, AND/OR THE CLASS NOTICE DATED JUNE 8, 2022, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SUBMIT A NEW PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS SETTLEMENT WITH SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE. If you did not submit a Proof of Claim and Release pursuant to: (1) the November 29, 2017 Notice (the "2017 Notice") related to the \$94 million settlement with Defendants Barclays plc, Barclays Bank plc, and Barclays Capital Inc. (collectively, "Barclays"), the \$45 million settlement with HSBC Holdings plc and HSBC Bank plc (collectively, "HSBC"), and the \$170 million settlement with Deutsche Bank AG and DB Group Services (UK) Ltd. (collectively, "Deutsche Bank"); (2) the December 19, 2018 Notice (the "2018 Notice") related to the \$182.5 million settlement with Citigroup Inc. and Citibank, N.A. (collectively, "Citi") and JPMorgan Chase & Co. and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (collectively, "JPMorgan"); and/or (3) the June 8, 2022 Notice (the "2022 Notice") related to the \$55 million settlement with Crédit Agricole S.A. and Crédit Agricole CIB (collectively, "Crédit Agricole"), then you must act to submit a timely Proof of Claim and Release in order to be eligible to receive any portion of the Net Settlement Fund. Any member of the Settlement Class who previously submitted a Proof of Claim and Release in connection with the 2017 Notice, the 2018 Notice, and/or the 2022 Notice will be subject to and bound by the releases reflected in the Proof of Claim and Release form attached hereto, unless such member submits a timely and valid request for exclusion as explained below.

Right to Exclude Yourself from the Settlement Class for the Settlement. The Court will exclude you from the Settlement Class if you make a written request for exclusion from the Settlement in the form described in Section III.C that is postmarked to the Claims Administrator (A.B. Data, Ltd.) at the address set forth in Section VIII below no later than July 27, 2023. To be valid, the request for exclusion must comply with the requirements set forth in the Court's order dated April 18, 2023, and summarized in Section III.C below. If you exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you will not be entitled to share in the Net Settlement Fund.

# I. BACKGROUND OF THE LITIGATION

#### A. The Nature of this Lawsuit

Plaintiffs allege that, during the Class Period, Defendants Barclays plc, Barclays Bank plc, Barclays Capital Inc., Citigroup, Inc., Citibank, N.A., Coöperatieve Rabobank U.A. (f/k/a Coöperatieve Centrale Raiffeisen-Boerenleenbank B.A.), Crédit Agricole S.A., Crédit Agricole CIB, Deutsche Bank AG, DB Group Services (UK) Ltd., HSBC Holdings plc, HSBC Bank plc, ICAP plc, ICAP Europe Limited, JPMorgan Chase & Co., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, Société Générale, and UBS AG (collectively, "Defendants") agreed, combined, and conspired to rig Euribor and fix the prices of Euribor Products. Plaintiffs allege that Defendants did so by using several means of manipulation. For example, Plaintiffs allege that panel banks that made daily Euribor submissions to Thomson Reuters falsely reported banks' costs of borrowing to financially benefit their Euribor Products positions. Plaintiffs also allege that Defendants requested that other Defendants make false Euribor submissions on their behalf to benefit their Euribor Products positions.

Plaintiffs further allege that Defendants continuously conspired to fix the prices of Euribor Products in the over-the-counter market to financially benefit their own Euribor Products positions. In addition to coordinating Euribor submissions and agreeing on where to price Euribor Products, Plaintiffs allege that, in order to effectuate their manipulations of Euribor and Euribor Products during the Class Period, Defendants engaged in "pushing cash," transmitted false bids and offers, used derivative traders as submitters, and rigged bids and offers for Euribor Products.

Plaintiffs have asserted legal claims under various theories, including federal antitrust law, the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"), the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("RICO"), and common law.

Société Générale has consistently and vigorously denied Plaintiffs' allegations and maintains it has meritorious defenses to the claims of liability and damages made by Plaintiffs.

## B. Procedural History of the Action

On February 12, 2013, Plaintiff Stephen Sullivan filed the first Class Action Complaint in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois captioned *Sullivan v. Barclays plc, et al.*, 13-cv-1159 (N.D. Ill.), on behalf of himself and a proposed class comprised of all other U.S. investors who purchased or sold, during the period of at least June 1, 2005 through at least June 30, 2010, a NYSE Euronext LIFFE Euribor futures contract. ECF No. 1.

On April 25, 2013, the Honorable Milton I. Shadur ordered that the action be transferred to the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. On April 29, 2013, the action was transferred to the S.D.N.Y. and assigned to the Honorable P. Kevin Castel. ECF No. 46.

On November 2, 2013, Plaintiffs filed their Amended Class Action Complaint. ECF No. 75. Thereafter, on May 5, 2014, Plaintiffs filed their Second Amended Class Action Complaint ("SAC"). ECF No. 113.

On September 11, 2014, the Court granted the United States Department of Justice, Antitrust Division and Fraud Section of the Criminal Division's motion to intervene in the Action and its request for a stay of discovery until May 12, 2015. ECF No. 136.

On October 3, 2014, Plaintiffs filed their Third Amended Class Action Complaint ("TAC"). ECF No. 139. The TAC named additional Plaintiffs, including the California State Teachers' Retirement System.

On August 13, 2015, Plaintiffs filed their Fourth Amended Class Action Complaint ("FAC"). ECF No. 174.

On October 14, 2015, Defendants moved to dismiss the FAC under FED. R. CIV. P. 12(b)(1), 12(b)(6), and 12(b)(2), filing two separate memoranda of law and fifteen declarations challenging Plaintiffs' claims. ECF Nos. 197-214.

On October 30, 2015, Plaintiffs moved for preliminary approval of their settlement with Barclays. ECF Nos. 216-220.

Thereafter, on December 4, 2015, Plaintiffs filed their opposition to Defendants' motion to dismiss. ECF Nos. 228-230.

On December 15, 2015, the Court issued an Order preliminarily approving the proposed settlement with Barclays and conditionally certifying the Settlement Class for the claims against Barclays. ECF No. 234.

On December 23, 2015, Defendants filed their reply memoranda of law and declarations in support of their motion to dismiss. ECF Nos. 236-240.

On January 11, 2017, Plaintiffs moved for preliminary approval of their settlement with HSBC. ECF Nos. 274-278.

On January 18, 2017, the Court issued an Order preliminarily approving the proposed settlement with HSBC and conditionally certifying the Settlement Class for the claims against HSBC. ECF No. 279.

On February 21, 2017, the Court granted in part and denied in part Defendants' motion to dismiss the FAC, dismissing Plaintiffs' claims against Coöperatieve Rabobank U.A. (f/k/a Coöperatieve Centrale Raiffeisen-Boerenleenbank B.A.), Crédit Agricole S.A., Crédit Agricole CIB, ICAP plc, ICAP Europe Limited, The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, Société Générale, and UBS AG ("Dismissed Defendants") for lack of personal jurisdiction (the "February 21 Order"). ECF No. 286.

On March 7, 2017, Defendants Citi and JPMorgan filed a motion for clarification, or, in the alternative, reconsideration of the Court's February 21 Order. ECF Nos. 291-292. On March 21, 2017, Plaintiffs filed their opposition to Citi and JPMorgan's motion for clarification, or, in the alternative, reconsideration of the Court's February 21 Order. ECF No. 302. Citi and JPMorgan filed their reply memorandum of law in support of their motion for clarification, or, in the alternative, reconsideration of the Court's February 21 Order on March 28, 2017. ECF No. 303.

On March 7, 2017, the Court granted Plaintiffs leave to file a motion to amend the FAC. ECF No. 294. On March 17, 2017, Plaintiffs filed their motion to amend the FAC, along with a Proposed Fifth Amended Class Action Complaint. ECF No. 301. On March 31, 2017, the Dismissed Defendants filed their memorandum of law and three declarations in opposition to Plaintiffs' motion to amend the FAC. ECF Nos. 308-311. On April 7, 2017, Plaintiffs filed their reply memorandum of law in support of their motion to amend the FAC. ECF Nos. 333-334.

On April 3, 2017, Plaintiffs and HSBC filed a joint motion for issuance of a request for judicial assistance, appointment of a commissioner and direction of submission of Hague Convention Application. ECF No. 315. On April 7, 2017, the Court granted the joint motion. ECF No. 331.

On April 7, 2017, Citi and JPMorgan each filed an answer to the FAC. ECF Nos. 324-325.

On April 18, 2017, the Court granted Citi and JPMorgan's motion for clarification pursuant to FED. R. CIV. P. 60(a) confirming that the February 21 Order dismissed Plaintiffs' claims based on exchange-traded Euribor Products in their entirety. ECF No. 339. Also on April 18, 2017, the Court denied Plaintiffs' motion for leave to amend their complaint to add new jurisdictional allegations against the Dismissed Defendants. ECF No. 340.

On July 6, 2017, the Court granted Preliminary Approval of the Settlements between Plaintiffs and HSBC, Deutsche Bank, and Barclays, ECF No. 364.

On March 23, 2018, Plaintiffs moved for Final Approval of Settlements between Plaintiffs and HSBC, Deutsche Bank, and Barclays, ECF No. 399.

On May 18, 2018, the Court granted Final Approval of the Settlements between Plaintiffs and HSBC, Deutsche Bank, and Barclays, and entered a judgment dismissing Barclays, HSBC, and Deutsche Bank with prejudice. ECF No. 427 and 431.

On November 21, 2018, Plaintiffs moved for Preliminary Approval of the Settlement between Plaintiffs and Citi and JPMorgan, which the Court granted on December 19, 2018. ECF Nos. 444, 454.

On March 22, 2019, Plaintiffs moved for Final Approval of Settlement between Plaintiffs and Citi and JPMorgan, ECF No. 468.

On May 17, 2019, the Court granted Final Approval of the Settlement between Plaintiffs and Citi and JPMorgan and entered a judgment dismissing Citi and JPMorgan with prejudice. ECF Nos. 498-99.

On June 14, 2019, Plaintiffs filed a Notice of Appeal initiating an appeal of: the February 21, 2017 Order denying in part and granting in part Defendants' motion to dismiss (ECF No. 286); the April 18, 2017 Order granting the motion of certain Defendants for clarification of the February 21, 2017 Order (ECF No. 339) only insofar as such order clarified the February 21, 2017 Order as to Plaintiffs' claims against all defendants except Citigroup Inc., Citibank, N.A., JPMorgan Chase & Co. and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.; and the April 18, 2017 Order denying Plaintiffs' motion to amend their complaint (ECF No. 340). ECF No. 506.

On June 28, 2019, Defendants Coöperatieve Rabobank U.A. (f/k/a Coöperatieve Centrale Raiffeisen-Boerenleenbank B.A.), Crédit Agricole S.A., Crédit Agricole CIB, ICAP plc, ICAP Europe Limited, The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, Société Générale, and UBS AG filed a Notice of Appeal initiating an appeal of the Court's February 21, 2017 Order denying in part and granting in part Defendants' motion to dismiss (ECF No. 286). ECF Nos. 508-09.

On August 28, 2019, the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (the "Second Circuit") granted Plaintiffs' motion to hold these appeals in abeyance pending the Second Circuit's decision in an earlier-filed appeal that addressed certain similar issues as those raised on appeal. *Sullivan v, Barclays Plc*, 19-1769 (2d. Cir. 2019) (the "Appeal Docket"), ECF No. 119. The Second Circuit lifted the stay on February 15, 2022. Appeal Docket, ECF No. 133. Plaintiffs-Appellants subsequently filed their opening brief on May 17, 2022. Appeal Docket, ECF No. 159. Defendants-Appellees filed their response briefs on August 16, 2022. Appeal Docket, ECF No. 170, 171. On October 14, 2022, Plaintiffs-Appellants filed their reply brief. Appeal Docket, ECF No. 208. On November 4, 2022, Defendants-Appellees filed their reply briefs for the cross-appeal. Appeal Docket, ECF No. 214, 215.

On March 17, 2022, Plaintiffs-Appellants moved to partially sever the appeal and to remand the appeal with regard to Crédit Agricole for the district court to consider the proposed settlement with Crédit Agricole. Appeal Docket, ECF No. 144. The Second Circuit granted the motion on March 24, 2022. Appeal Docket, ECF No. 148. Plaintiffs moved for preliminary approval of the proposed Crédit Agricole settlement on April 29, 2022, which the Court granted on May 9, 2022. ECF Nos. 516-20. On August 9, 2022, Plaintiffs filed their motion for final approval of the Crédit Agricole settlement and, after a hearing, the Court granted final approval of the Crédit Agricole settlement on November 15, 2022. ECF Nos. 521-37, 548-49. On November 11, 2022, Plaintiffs-Appellants moved to partially sever the appeal and to remand the portion of the appeal with regard to Société Générale for the district court to consider the proposed settlement. Appeal Docket, ECF No. 219. The Second Circuit granted the motion on November 21, 2022. Appeal Docket, ECF No. 235. Plaintiffs filed the motion for preliminary approval of the proposed settlement with Société Générale on April 14, 2023, which the Court granted on April 18, 2023. ECF Nos. 560, 564.

# C. The Definition of the Settlement Class

The Court has certified, for purposes of settlement only, the Settlement Class, defined as:

All Persons who purchased, sold, held, traded, or otherwise had any interest in Euribor Products from June 1, 2005 through and including March 31, 2011, who were either domiciled in the United States or its territories or, if domiciled outside the United States or its territories, transacted in Euribor Products in the United States or its territories from June 1, 2005 through and including March 31, 2011, including, but not limited to, all Persons who traded CME Euro currency futures contracts, all Persons who transacted in NYSE LIFFE Euribor futures and options from a location within the United States, and all Persons who traded any other Euribor Product from a location within the United States.

Excluded from the Settlement Class are the Defendants and any parent, subsidiary, affiliate or agent of any Defendant or any co-conspirator whether or not named as a defendant, and the United States Government. Notwithstanding the exclusions contained in the immediately preceding sentence, and solely for purposes of the Settlement and the Settlement Class, Investment Vehicles are not excluded from the Settlement Class solely on the basis of their being deemed to be Defendants or affiliates or subsidiaries of Defendants. However, to the extent that any Defendant or any entity that might be deemed to be an affiliate or subsidiary thereof (i) managed or advised, and (ii) directly or indirectly held a beneficial interest in, said Investment Vehicle during the Class Period, that Defendant's beneficial interest in the Investment Vehicle is excluded from the Settlement Class.

# II. SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT

# A. Settlement with Société Générale

On behalf of the Settlement Class, Plaintiffs entered into the Settlement Agreement with Société Générale on March 31, 2023. Société Générale has agreed to enter into this Settlement Agreement, while denying the allegations brought in the Action and maintaining that it has meritorious defenses to Plaintiffs' claims of liability and damages, in order to avoid further expense, inconvenience and the distraction of burdensome protracted litigation, and thereby to resolve this controversy and avoid the risks inherent in complex litigation. The description herein of the proposed Settlement is only a summary. This description and this Notice are qualified in their entirety by the Settlement Agreement, which is on file with the Court at the address indicated in this Notice and are available at the official website for the Settlement, at <a href="https://www.EuriborSettlement.com">www.EuriborSettlement.com</a> (the "Settlement Website").

# 1. Société Générale's Payments for the Benefit of the Settlement Class

#### a. No Right to Reversion

The Settlement Agreement does not provide Société Générale with a right of reversion. That is, no matter how many Settlement Class Members fail to file a Proof of Claim and Release or opt out, if the Settlement is finally approved by the Court, none of the Settlement monies will revert to Société Générale.

# b. Société Générale's Potential Right To Termination

Paragraphs 37 and 40 of the Settlement Agreement describe Société Générale's right to terminate the Settlement Agreement if certain events occur. With respect to each such event, Société Générale has the right (as qualified in the Settlement Agreement), but not the obligation, to determine to exercise, in their sole discretion, their right to terminate if the event occurs.

#### c. Proposed Plan of Allocation

The Plan of Allocation is available for review on the Settlement Website at <a href="www.EuriborSettlement.com">www.EuriborSettlement.com</a>. The daily artificiality matrix, as described in the Plan of Allocation, is posted on the Settlement Website. Changes, if any, to the daily artificiality matrix based on newly available data or information will be promptly posted on the Settlement Website. Members of the Settlement Class are strongly encouraged to review the Settlement Website for any changes to the Plan of Allocation.

### d. Changes or Further Orders by the Court

Any change by the Court to the time and place of the Settlement Hearing, or any other matter and all further orders or requirements by the Court will be posted on the Settlement Website at <a href="https://www.EuriborSettlement.com">www.EuriborSettlement.com</a> as soon as practicable.

It is important that you refer to the Settlement Website as no other notice may be published of such changes.

# 2. The Cooperation Provided under the Settlement for the Benefit of the Class

Société Générale has agreed to provide the following cooperation to Class Counsel in the event that the Action is eventually remanded from the Second Circuit to the Court for further prosecution against any non-settling Defendant: documents produced to government agencies in connection with their investigations of Euribor-related conduct; trade data pertaining to Société Générale's transactions in Euro-denominated inter-bank money market instruments, including loans, deposits and certificates of deposit; trade data pertaining to Société Générale's transactions in Euribor Products; and non-privileged declarations, affidavits, witness statements or other sworn or unsworn written statements of former and/or current Société Générale directors, officers or employees concerning the allegations set forth in this Action. The extent of the cooperation to be provided by Société Générale is described in (and qualified by) the Settlement Agreement.

# 3. The Releases, Discharge, and Covenant Not to Sue Under the Settlement

IF YOU HAVE NOT REQUESTED TO BE EXCLUDED FROM THE SETTLEMENT CLASS, WHEN THE SETTLEMENT BECOMES FINAL YOU WILL BE RELEASING THE CLAIMS DESCRIBED BELOW, AND YOU WILL BE BOUND BY THE RELEASES IN THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT INCLUDING THE COVENANT NOT TO SUE—EVEN IF YOU DO NOT FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE.

In exchange for Société Générale's payments, Settlement Class Members will release their claims against the Releasees, as defined in the Settlement Agreement, arising in any way out of transactions in Euribor Products, whether or not asserted in the Action, as is more fully set forth below.

#### a. The Settlement

(A) Upon the Effective Date, and in exchange for the receipt of the Settlement Amount provided for herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Releasors, and any other Person claiming against the Settlement Fund (now or in the future) through or on behalf of any Releasor, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Approval Order and the Judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever released, relinquished and discharged Releasees from any and all Released Claims,<sup>3</sup> and shall be permanently barred and enjoined from instituting, commencing or prosecuting any such Released Claim against any Releasee in any lawsuit, arbitration, or other proceeding against any Releasee in any court or venue in any jurisdiction worldwide. Each Releasor shall be deemed to have released all Released Claims against the Releasees regardless of whether any such Releasor ever seeks or obtains by any means, including, without limitation, by submitting a Proof of Claim and Release, any distribution from the Settlement Fund or Net Settlement Fund. The releases set forth herein are given pursuant to New York law, including N.Y. General Obligations Law § 15-108, which bars claims for contribution by joint tortfeasors and other similar claims, and are to be construed under New York law without regard to its conflict of law principles. This Agreement is expressly intended to absolve Releasees against any claims for contribution, indemnification or similar claims from other Defendants in the Action or any defendant who may be subsequently added in this Action, arising out of or related to the Released Claims, in the manner and to the fullest extent permitted under the law of New York (including, without limitation, N.Y. General

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The "Released Claims" means any and all manner of claims, including, without limitation, unknown claims, causes of action, cross-claims, counter-claims, charges, liabilities, demands, judgments, suits, obligations, debts, setoffs, rights of recovery, or liabilities for any obligations of any kind whatsoever (however denominated), whether class, derivative, or individual, in law or equity or arising under constitution, statute, regulation, ordinance, contract, or otherwise in nature, for fees, costs, penalties, fines, debts, expenses, attorneys' fees, or damages, whenever incurred, or liabilities of any nature whatsoever (including joint and several), known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, asserted or unasserted, which Settling Class Members or any of them ever had, now has, or hereafter can, shall or may have, representatively, derivatively or in any other capacity, against the Released Parties arising from or relating in any way to conduct alleged in the Action or which could have been alleged in the Action against the Released Parties concerning Euribor, any Euribor Products or any similar financial instruments priced, benchmarked, or settled to Euribor purchased, sold, held, traded, and/or transacted by the Plaintiffs, Class Members, and/or Settling Class Members (to the extent such similar financial instruments were entered into by a U.S. Person, or by a Person from or through a location within the U.S.), or in which any of the foregoing otherwise had any interest, including, but not limited to, any alleged manipulation of Euribor or Euribor Products under the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 1 et seq. or any other statute, regulation, or common law, or any purported conspiracy, collusion, racketeering activity, or other improper conduct relating to Euribor (including, but not limited to, all claims under Section 1 of the Sherman Antitrust Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1 et seq., the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 1961-1968, and any other federal or state statute, regulation, or common law). The following claims shall not be released by this Settlement: (i) any claims against former employees of Société Générale arising solely from those former employees' conduct that occurred while not employed by Société Générale; (ii) any claims against the named Defendants in this Action other than Société Générale; (iii) any claims against interdealer brokers or their employees or agents when and to the extent they were engaged as employees or agents of the other Defendants or interdealer brokers; or (iv) any claims against any Defendant not affiliated with Société Générale who may be subsequently added in this Action. For the avoidance of doubt, Released Claims do not include claims arising under foreign law based solely on transactions executed entirely outside the United States by Settling Class Members domiciled outside the United States.

Obligations Law § 15-108) or any other jurisdiction that might be construed or deemed to apply to any claims for contribution, indemnification or similar claims against any Releasee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, should any court determine that any Defendant or defendant subsequently added to this Action is or was legally entitled to any kind of contribution or indemnification from Société Générale arising out of or related to Released Claims, the Releasors agree that any money judgment subsequently obtained by the Releasors against any Defendant or defendant subsequently added to this Action shall be reduced to an amount such that, upon paying the entire amount, the Defendant or defendant subsequently added to this Action would have no claim for contribution, indemnification or similar claims against Société Générale. Except in the event of termination of this Settlement, the Settling Parties agree not to assert under Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or any similar law, rule or regulation, that the Action was brought or defended in bad faith or without a reasonable basis.

(B) Although the release set forth above is not a general release, such release constitutes a waiver of any and all rights arising under Section 1542 of the California Civil Code (to the extent it applies to the Action), which provides as follows:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

The release set forth above also constitutes a waiver of any and all provisions, rights, and benefits of any federal, state or foreign law, rule, regulation, or principle of law or equity that is similar, comparable, equivalent to, or which has the effect of, Section 1542 of the California Civil Code. The Settling Class Members acknowledge that they are aware that they may hereafter discover facts in addition to, or different from, those facts which they know or believe to be true with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement, but that it is their intention to release fully, finally, and forever all of the Released Claims, and in furtherance of such intention, the release shall be irrevocable and remain in effect notwithstanding the discovery or existence of any such additional or different facts. In entering and making this Agreement, the Settling Parties assume the risk of any mistake of fact or law, and the release shall be irrevocable and remain in effect notwithstanding any mistake of fact or law.

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The Settlement Agreement does not settle or compromise any claims other than those set out therein. All rights of the Plaintiffs or any Settlement Class Member against any other person or entity other than the parties released in the Settlement Agreement are specifically reserved by the Plaintiffs and Class Members.

#### III. YOUR OPTIONS

# A. Submit a Proof of Claim and Release for the Settlement Agreement

As a Settlement Class Member, you may be entitled to share in the Net Settlement Fund if you already submitted a valid and timely Proof of Claim and Release or if you submit a valid and timely Proof of Claim and Release demonstrating that you are an Authorized Claimant as set forth in the Settlement Agreement. Proof of Claim and Release forms must be postmarked to the Claims Administrator (*see* address in Section VIII below) no later than October 9, 2023. A copy of the Proof of Claim and Release is attached hereto and/or may be obtained on the Settlement Website at www.EuriborSettlement.com.

IF YOU TIMELY SUBMITTED A VALID PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE PURSUANT TO THE 2017 NOTICE, THE 2018 NOTICE, AND/OR THE 2022 NOTICE IN THIS ACTION, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SUBMIT A NEW PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS SETTLEMENT WITH SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE. Your previously submitted Proof of Claim and Release will automatically be considered in connection with this Settlement. If you did not submit a Proof of Claim and Release pursuant to either: the 2017 Notice related to the \$94 million settlement with Barclays, the \$45 million settlement with HSBC, and the \$170 million settlement with Deutsche Bank; the 2018 Notice related to the \$182.5 million settlement with Crédit Agricole, then you must act to submit a timely Proof of Claim and Release in order to be eligible to receive any portion of the Net Settlement Fund.

Any member of the Settlement Class who previously submitted a Proof of Claim and Release in connection with the 2017 Notice, the 2018 Notice, and/or the 2022 Notice will be subject to and bound by the releases reflected in the Proof of Claim and Release form attached hereto, unless such member submits a timely and valid request for exclusion as explained below. Any member of the Settlement Class who did not submit a Proof of Claim and Release pursuant to the 2017 Notice, the 2018 Notice, and/or the 2022 Notice, and who fails to submit a Proof of Claim and Release by the dates in the manner specified in this Notice will be barred from receiving any payment from the Net Settlement Fund (unless, by Order of the Court, an untimely Proof of Claim and Release submitted by such member of the Settlement Class is approved), but will in all other respects be bound by the terms of the Settlement Agreement and by the Final Judgment entered on the Class's claims.

# B. Object to the Settlement

Any Settlement Class Member may appear at the Settlement Hearing in person or by counsel and may be heard, to the extent allowed by the Court, either in support of or in opposition to the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the proposed Settlement or any related matter (including the requests for attorneys' fees, expenses, and/or Incentive Awards, the Plan of Allocation or any other matter).

However, no person shall be heard in opposition to the Settlement Agreement, and no papers or briefs submitted by or on behalf of any such person shall be accepted or considered by the Court, unless, on or before August 3, 2023, such person files with the Court a statement

of the objection, as well as the specific legal and factual reasons for each objection, including all support that the objecting Settlement Class Member or governmental entity wishes to bring to the Court's attention and all evidence the objecting Settlement Class Member or governmental entity wishes to introduce in support of his, her, or its objection. Such submission must contain: (i) the name, address, and telephone number of the Person or entity objecting and must be signed by the objector (an attorney's signature is not sufficient); (ii) a heading that refers to the Action by case name and case number ("Sullivan, et al. v. Barclays PLC, et al., No. 13-cv-2811 (PKC) (S.D.N.Y.)"); (iii) a statement of the Person's objection or objections, and the specific legal and factual basis for each objection argument, including a description of any and all evidence the objecting Person or entity may offer at the Settlement Hearing, including but not limited to the names, addresses, and expected testimony of any witnesses, and all exhibits intended to be introduced at the Settlement Hearing; (iv) documentary proof of the objecting Person's membership in the Settlement Class; (v) a statement of whether the objecting Person or entity intends to appear at the Settlement Hearing, either in person or through counsel and, if through counsel, a statement identifying that counsel by name, address, telephone number, and email address; (vi) a description of the Euribor Products transactions entered into by the Person that fall within the Settlement Class definition (including, for each transaction, the identity of the broker, the date of the transaction, the type (including direction) of the transaction, the counterparty (if any), the exchange on which the transaction occurred (if any), any transaction identification numbers, the rate, and the notional amount of the transaction); and (vii) a list of other cases in which the objector or counsel for the objector has appeared either as an objector or counsel for an objector in the last five years. Persons who have timely submitted a valid request for exclusion are not Settlement Class Members and are not entitled to object. Plaintiffs or Société Générale may apply to the Court for permission to examine an objector on terms and conditions set by the Court. Counsel for the Settling Parties are listed below.

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Counsel for Société Générale

### C. Request to be Excluded from the Settlement Class for the Settlement

To exclude yourself from the Settlement Class for the Settlement, you must submit a written request that clearly states: (i) the name, address, and telephone number of the Settlement Class Member seeking exclusion, and in the case of entities, the name and telephone number of the appropriate contact person, as well as a list of all trade names or business names that the Settlement Class Member requests to be excluded; (ii) the name of the Action ("Sullivan, et al. v. Barclays PLC, et al., No. 13-cv-2811 (PKC) (S.D.N.Y.)"); (iii) a statement certifying such person is a Settlement Class Member; (iv) a description of the Euribor Products transactions entered into by the Settlement Class Member that fall within the Settlement Class definition (including, for each transaction, the identity of the broker, the date of the transaction, the type (including direction) of the transaction, the counterparty (if any), the exchange on which the transaction occurred (if any), any transaction identification numbers, the rate, and the notional amount of the transaction); and (v) a statement that "I/we hereby request that I/we be excluded from the Settlement Class as to the Settlement with Société Générale in Sullivan, et al. v. Barclays PLC, et al., No. 13-cv-2811 (PKC) (S.D.N.Y.)." All written requests must be signed by the Settlement Class Member (or his, her or its legally authorized representative), even if the Settlement Class Member is represented by counsel.

Requests for exclusion from the Settlement Class for the Settlement Agreement must be postmarked no later than July 27, 2023, and must be sent by U.S. First-Class Mail (preferably certified mail) (or, if sent from outside the U.S., by a service that provides for guaranteed delivery within five (5) or fewer calendar days of mailing) to the Claims Administrator to the following address:

Euribor Settlement – EXCLUSIONS c/o A.B. Data, Ltd. P.O. Box 173001 Milwaukee, WI 53217

If you exclude yourself from the Settlement Class for the Settlement, you will not be bound by the Settlement and can independently pursue claims you may have against Société Générale at your own expense. You may also enter an appearance through an attorney if you so desire. However, if you exclude yourself from the Settlement, you will not be eligible to share in the Net Settlement Fund. In addition, if you exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you will not be entitled to object to the Settlement or to appear at the Settlement Hearing.

# IV. PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE

The Proof of Claim and Release, which includes instructions on how and when to make a claim, may be obtained from the Settlement Website at <a href="https://www.EuriborSettlement.com">www.EuriborSettlement.com</a> or you may request that a Proof of Claim and Release be mailed to you by calling the Claims Administrator toll-free at 800-492-9154. You should consider reading the Settlement Agreement, and you should read the Proof of Claim and Release carefully before submitting your Proof of Claim and Release or determining another course of action.

# V. ATTORNEYS' FEES, COSTS, AND INCENTIVE AWARDS

Settlement Class Members are not personally responsible for payment of attorneys' fees or expenses. As compensation for their time and their risk in prosecuting the litigation on a wholly contingent fee basis for approximately five years, Class Counsel will ask the Court for an award of attorneys' fees in the amount of no more than sixteen percent (16%), or \$16,800,000, of the Settlement Fund as a common fund and for reimbursement of their costs and expenses in the amount of no more than \$500,000, all to be deducted from the Settlement Fund. Additionally, Class Counsel may apply, at the time of any application for distribution to qualifying Settlement Class Members, for an award from the Settlement Fund for reimbursement of costs and expenses incurred in connection with the administration of the Settlement Agreement after the date of the Settlement Hearing. Plaintiffs may submit an additional request for service awards in light of their continued commitment and contributions that led to this Settlement for the benefit of the putative class. Plaintiffs have agreed that any award, if requested, will not exceed a total of \$150,000. Any such amount constitutes the Incentive Award.

# VI. SETTLEMENT HEARING AND RIGHT TO OBJECT

The Court has scheduled a Settlement Hearing for September 7, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. (ET) to be held at the Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse, 500 Pearl Street, New York, New York, Courtroom 11D. At the Settlement Hearing, the Court will determine, among other things, if the proposed Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate. The Court will also consider Class Counsel's request for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of litigation expenses.

The time and date of the Settlement Hearing may be continued from time to time without further notice, and you are advised to confirm the time and location if you wish to attend. As soon as practicable after any change in the scheduled date and time, such change will be posted on the Settlement Website.

If you are a Settlement Class Member, you are entitled to appear, in person or through duly authorized attorneys, and to show cause why the Settlement or other applications should or should not be approved. However, if you wish to appear, you must submit a written statement, along with any materials you wish the Court to consider. This written statement must be received by the Court (at the address provided above) no later than August 3, 2023, or it will not be considered.

#### VII. CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If this Notice reached you at an address other than the one on the mailing label, or if your address changes, please enter your current information online at <a href="https://www.EuriborSettlement.com">www.EuriborSettlement.com</a>, or send it to the Claims Administrator at the address set forth in Section VIII below.

#### VIII. THE CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR

The Court has appointed A.B. Data, Ltd. as the Claims Administrator. Among other things, the Claims Administrator is responsible for providing notice of the Settlement to the Settlement Class and processing Proof of Claim and Release forms. You may contact the Claims Administrator through the Settlement Website, by telephone toll-free at 800-492-9154, or by writing to the Claims Administrator at the below address:

Euribor Settlement c/o A.B. Data, Ltd. P.O. Box 173038 Milwaukee, WI 53217

# IX. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Settlement Agreement is available for review during normal business hours at the office of the Clerk of Court, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, 500 Pearl Street, New York, New York 10007-1312. If you have questions about this Notice, the procedure for registering, or the Settlement Agreement, you may contact Class Counsel at the address listed in Section III.B above.

# DO NOT CONTACT THE DISTRICT COURT OR THE CLERK'S OFFICE REGARDING THIS NOTICE.

Dated: May 18, 2023 BY ORDER OF THE COURT.

Clerk of the United States District Court Southern District of New York