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Announcement according to article 93 section 2 BörseG (ESMA 2015/1597)

Erste Group Bank: Release according to art. 93 section 2 BörseG

Vienna (pta008/02.01.2017/11:00) - Release of Announcement according to art. 93 section 2 BörseG
Notification of Major Holdings

1. Issuer:

Erste Group Bank, Am Belvedere 1, 1100 Wien, Austria

2. Reason for notification:

Acquisition / disposal of shares with voting rights

3. Details of person subject to the notification obligation

Name: BlackRock, Inc.

City and country of registered office: Wilmington, USA - United States

4. Names of shareholder(s) holding directly 3% or more voting rights, if different from 3

5. Date on which threshold was crossed or reached

28.12.2016

6. Total positions

	% of voting rights attached to shares (total of 7.a.)	% of voting rights through instruments (total of 7.b.1 + 7.b.2)	total of both in % (7.a. + 7.b.)	total number of voting rights of issuer
Resulting situation on the date on which threshold was crossed / reached	3.97	0.03	4.00	429,800,000
Position of previous notification	4,04	0,03	4,07	

7. Notified details of the resulting situation

7.a. Voting rights attached to shares

ISIN code	absolute direct (Sec 91 BörseG)	absolute indirect (Sec 92 BörseG)	in % direct (Sec 91 BörseG)	in % indirect (Sec 92 BörseG)
AT0000652011	0	17,072,931	0.00	3.97
Total:		17,072,931		3.97

7.b.1. Financial / Other Instruments pursuant to Sec. 91a para. 1 No. 1 BörseG

Type of instrument	Expiration Date	Exercise Period	Voting Rights Absolute	Voting Rights in %
		Total:		

7.b.2 Financial / Other Instruments pursuant to Sec. 91a para. 1 No. 3 BörseG

Type of instrument	Expiration Date	Exercise Period	Physical /Cash Settlement	Voting Rights Absolute	Voting Rights in %
CFD	n/a	n/a	Cash	127,044	0.03
		Total:		127,044	0.03

8. Information in relation to the person subject to the notification obligation

Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial/other instruments are effectively held starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entity.

No.	Name	Directly controlled by No.	Shares held directly (%)	Financial/other instruments held directly (%)	Total of both (%)
1	BlackRock, Inc.				
2	Trident Merger, LLC	1			
3	BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	2			
4	BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.	1			
5	BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	4			
6	BlackRock Holdco 4, LLC	5			
7	BlackRock Holdco 6, LLC	6			
8	BlackRock Delaware Holdings Inc.	7			
9	BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	8			
10	BlackRock Fund Advisors	8			

11	BlackRock Capital Holdings, Inc.	5			
12	BlackRock Advisors, LLC	11			
13	BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.	5			
14	BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.	13			
15	BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.	14			
16	BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	15			
17	BlackRock Asia- Pac Holdco, LLC	15			
18	BlackRock HK Holdco Limited	17			
19	BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	18			
20	BlackRock Cayco Limited	18			
21	BlackRock Trident Holding Company Limited	20			
22	BlackRock Japan Holdings GK	21			
23	BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	22			
24	BlackRock Australia Holdco Pty. Ltd.	14			

25	BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	24			
26	BlackRock Holdco 3, LLC	14			
27	BlackRock Canada Holdings LP	26			
28	BlackRock Canada Holdings ULC	27			
29	BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	28			
30	BlackRock Group Limited	14			
31	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	30			
32	BlackRock International Limited	30			
33	BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	30			
34	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	30			
35	BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	34			

9. In case of proxy voting

Date of general meeting: N/A

10. Additional Information

voting rights attached to shares for BlackRock, Inc. going below 4%.

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