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**Commencement of Trading of the New Shares as a result of the completed
Share Capital Increase [27.11.2015]**

Alpha Bank A.E. (hereinafter the “Bank”) announces that on Wednesday, 2 December 2015, the 1,281,500,000 new ordinary, registered, dematerialized shares of the Bank, with voting rights (the “New Shares”), of a nominal value of Euro 0.30 per share will commence trading on the Athens Exchange (the “Athex”). The New Shares were issued as a result of the share capital increase of the Bank, which was approved by the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank dated 14 November, 2015, by abolition of the preemption rights of the existing shareholders, through: (i) payment in cash of an amount of Euro 1,552,169,172.00 via a private placement through a book-building process, which commenced and was completed outside Greece, pursuant to the exception of article 3 par. 2 indent (α), to qualified investors, in the sense of article 2 par. 1 indent (σ) of law 3401/2005 and pursuant to the exception of article 3 par. 2 indent (γ) of law 3401/2005, and (ii) capitalisation of monetary claims of an amount of Euro 1,010,830,828.00, in the context of the voluntary exchange of outstanding securities by their holders that participated in the Liability Management Exercise.

The competent body of the Athex, at its meeting dated 27 November, 2015, approved the listing on Athex of the 1,281,500,000 New Shares. On 1 December, 2015, the New Shares will be credited into the investors’ accounts in the Dematerialized Securities System (DSS) and Wednesday, 2 December, 2015, will be the date of commencement of trading of the New Shares.

For further information Shareholders may contact the Shareholder’s Section of the Bank (tel: +30 210 326 0000).

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