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Announcement pursuant to sec. 93 Austrian Stock Exchange Act in connection with sec. 91 art. 2 Austrian Stock Exchange Act - Changes of significant shareholdings

Erste Group Bank AG informs the public pursuant to sec. 93 Austrian Stock Exchange Act in connection with sec. 91 art. 1 Austrian Stock Exchange Act that BlackRock, Inc., Wilmington, United States of America, as of 23 February 2017 held 17,144,166 or 3.99% of voting rights attached to shares (previously 3.94%) and 195,185 or 0.05% of voting rights through financial instruments (previously 0.04%) in Erste Group Bank AG (rounded stake in share capital of 4.03% compared to previously 3.98%), thus combined more than 4% of Erste Group Bank AG´s share capital (EUR 859,600,000 divided into 429,800,000 voting no-par value bearer shares – ordinary shares).

Additional details as per esma notification:

Financial / Other Instruments pursuant to Sec. 91a para. 1 No. 1 BörseG				
Type of instrument	Expiration Date	Exercise Period	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised	% of voting rights
Securities Lent	N/A	N/A	16,505	0.00 %
		SUBTOTAL	16,505	0.00%

Financial / Other Instruments pursuant to Sec. 91a para. 1 No. 3 BörseG					
Type of instrument	Expiration Date	Exercise Period	Physical / Cash Settlement	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
CFD	N/A	N/A	Cash	178,680	0.04%
			SUBTOTAL	178,680	0.04%

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			

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