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Ms. Velma T. Smith
Branch Chief
Securities and Exchange Commission
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Room 2531
100 F Street, NE
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Dear Ms. Smith:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc (Guarantor), The Royal Bank of Scotland plc (Issuer) 4.375% Notes due 2016 and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on March 17, 2011. Tentative listing date – March 28, 2011.

Sincerely,