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To whom it may concern:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, ARES CAPITAL CORPORATION, 5.875% Senior Notes due 2022, and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on October 1, 2012. Tentative listing date – October 8, 2012.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edw Mecabe".

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