

ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND GROUP PLC

Form 6-K

January 31, 2013

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For January 31, 2013

Commission File Number: 001-10306

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc

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extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed or furnished.

Update on past sales of Interest Rate Hedging Products
The Royal Bank of Scotland Group Plc
31 January 2013

Statement on FSA announcement on interest rate hedging products

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc ("RBS") notes the announcement by the Financial Services Authority ("FSA") on the findings of its industry wide review of the sale of interest rate hedging products ("IRHPs") to some small and medium sized businesses ("SMEs") that were classified as retail clients under FSA rules. RBS is committed to treating its customers fairly and to delivering on its obligations under its Undertaking to the FSA.

In its Q2 2012 results, RBS provided £50 million for the redress it expects to offer retail clients who were sold structured collar products. As a result of today's rulings from the FSA on IRHPs (to be applied to past business) RBS will, in its 2012 Annual Results, meaningfully increase its provision to meet the additional costs of redress across its broader SME IRHP portfolio (attributable primarily to products sold in the period 2001 to 2008 when interest rates were higher). This larger provision will be determined once we have further engaged with the FSA on its position. We expect that this provision will remain consistent with the achievement of RBS's target capital ratios.

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Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

THE ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND GROUP plc
(Registrant)

Date: January 31, 2013

By: /s/Alan Mills

Name: Alan Mills

Title: Assistant Secretary
