

ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND GROUP PLC
Form SC TO-C
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO
(Rule 13e-4)
TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(1) OR 13(e)(1)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

RBS Capital Trust I
RBS Capital Trust II
RBS Capital Trust III
RBS Capital Trust IV

and

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc
(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc
(Name of Filing Person (Offeror))

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	American Depositary Shares, Series F, each representing one Non-Cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series F	780097804
The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	American Depositary Shares, Series H each representing one Non-Cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series H	780097879
The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	American Depositary Shares, Series L each representing one Non-Cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series L	780097788
The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	American Depositary Shares, Series M each representing one Non-Cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series M	780097796
The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	American Depositary Shares, Series N each representing one Non-Cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series N	780097770
The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	American Depositary Shares, Series P each representing one Non-Cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series P	780097762
The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	American Depositary Shares, Series Q each representing one Non-Cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series Q	780097754
The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	American Depositary Shares, Series R each representing one Non-Cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series R	780097747
The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	American Depositary Shares, Series S each representing one Non-Cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series S	780097739
The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	American Depositary Shares, Series T each representing one Non-Cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series T	780097713
The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	American Depositary Shares, Series U each representing one Non-Cumulative Dollar Preference Shares, Series U	780097AU5
The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	Dollar Perpetual Regulatory tier one securities, Series 1	780097AH4

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	6.990% Fixed Rate/Floating Rate Preferred Capital Securities	780097AS0 and 032386504
RBS Capital Trust I	4.709% Non-cumulative Trust Preferred Securities	749274AA4
RBS Capital Trust II	6.425% Non-cumulative Trust Preferred Securities	74927PAA7
RBS Capital Trust III	5.512% Non-cumulative Trust Preferred Securities	74927QAA5
RBS Capital Trust IV (Issuer)	Floating Rate Non-Cumulative Trust Preferred Securities (Title of Classes of Securities)	74927FAA9 (CUSIP Number of Class of Securities (Underlying Common Stock))

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On March 25, 2010, the Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc and National Westminster Bank PLC issued press releases, in which the Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc announced its intention to commence a tender offer to purchase for cash the securities listed in this Schedule TO-C. The press releases are attached as Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2.

Item 12. Exhibits.

Exhibit

No	Document
99.1	Press Release of the Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc and National Westminster Bank PLC, dated March 25, 2010.
99.2	Press Release of the Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc, dated March 25, 2010.

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