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For November 19, 2004
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ING Group to bring its stake in ING Bank Slaski to 75%

ING Group today announced that it will bring its stake in the Warsaw-listed subsidiary ING Bank Slaski back to 75%. According to a previous agreement with the Polish Banking Supervision Commission (KNB) ING will reduce its current stake of 87.77% in ING Bank Slaski by 12.77%.

The shares will be sold through a fully marketed offering which will start after the full-year results of ING Bank Slaski which are published on 17 February 2005. The transaction, subject to market conditions, will involve an offering of 1,661,141 ING Bank Slaski shares held by ING Bank NV, which is a 100% subsidiary of ING Group. The offering will be targeted to Polish retail and institutional investors, as well as international institutions. The transaction will improve liquidity of ING Bank Slaski shares.

We have been very committed to the Polish market for more than 10 years, said Eli Leenaars, Member of the Executive Board of ING Group responsible for Retail Banking. By reducing our stake in ING Bank Slaski we are fulfilling engagements made before the Polish regulator back in 2001. Despite the sell down, ING Bank Slaski is the cornerstone of our banking strategy in Poland and we consider Poland one of our key markets. We have no intention to further reduce our stake in ING Bank Slaski in the future.

More details on structure and timing of the transaction will be published closer to its launch.

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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.

ING Groep N.V. (Registrant)

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