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Holding announcement according to article 135 section 2 BörseG (ESMA 2015/1597)

Erste Group Bank: Release according to art. 135 section 2 BörseG

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Notification of Major Holdings

1. Issuer:

Erste Group Bank, Am Belvedere 1, 1100 Wien, Austria

2. Reason for notification:

Acquisition / disposal of shares with voting rights

3. Details of person subject to the notification obligation

Name: BlackRock, Inc.

City and country of registered office: Wilmington, USA - United States

4. Names of shareholder(s) holding directly 3% or more voting rights, if different from 3

5. Date on which threshold was crossed or reached

29.11.2018

6. Total positions

	% of voting rights attached to shares (total of 7.a.)	% of voting rights through instruments (total of 7.b.1 + 7.b.2)	total of both in % (7.a. + 7.b.)	total number of voting rights of issuer
Resulting situation on the date on which threshold was crossed / reached	3.91	0.09	3.99	429,800,000
Position of previous notification	3,98	0,11	4,09	

7. Notified details of the resulting situation

7.a. Voting rights attached to shares

ISIN code	absolute direct (Sec 130 BörseG 2018)	absolute indirect (Sec 133 BörseG 2018)	in % direct (Sec 130 BörseG 2018)	in % indirect (Sec 133 BörseG 2018)
AT0000652011	0	16,794,135	0.00	3.91
Total:		16,794,135		3.91

7.b.1. Financial / Other Instruments pursuant to Sec. 131 para. 1 No. 1 BörseG 2018

Type of instrument	Expiration Date	Exercise Period	Voting Rights Absolute	Voting Rights in %
Securities Lent	n/a	n/a	20,223	0.00
		Total:	20,223	

7.b.2 Financial / Other Instruments pursuant to Sec. 131 para. 1 No. 2 BörseG 2018

Type of instrument	Expiration Date	Exercise Period	Physical /Cash Settlement	Voting Rights Absolute	Voting Rights in %
CFD	n/a	n/a	Cash	361,295	0.08
			Total:	361,295	0.08

8. Information in relation to the person subject to the notification obligation

Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial/other instruments are effectively held starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entity.

No.	Name	Directly controlled by No.	Shares held directly (%)	Financial/other instruments held directly (%)	Total of both (%)
1	BlackRock, Inc.				
2	Trident Merger, LLC	1			
3	BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	2			
4	BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.	1			
5	BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	4			
6	BlackRock Holdco 4, LLC	5			
7	BlackRock Holdco 6, LLC	6			
8	BlackRock Delaware Holdings Inc.	7			
9	BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	8			

10	BlackRock Fund Advisors	8			
11	BlackRock Capital Holdings, Inc.	5			
12	BlackRock Advisors, LLC	11			
13	BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.	5			
14	BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.	13			
15	BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.	14			
16	BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	15			
17	BlackRock HK Holdco Limited	15			
18	BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	17			
19	BlackRock Trident Holding Company Limited	22			
20	BlackRock Japan Holdings GK	19			
21	BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	20			
22	BlackRock Lux Finco S.à r.l.	17			
23	BlackRock Australia Holdco Pty. Ltd.	14			

24	BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	23			
25	BlackRock Holdco 3, LLC	14			
26	BlackRock Canada Holdings LP	25			
27	BlackRock Canada Holdings ULC	26			
28	BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	27			
29	BlackRock Group Limited	39			
30	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	32			
31	BlackRock Asset Management UK Limited	32			
32	BlackRock Finance Europe Limited	29			
33	BlackRock International Limited	29			
34	BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	32			
35	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	32			
36	BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	35			

37	BlackRock Cayman 1 LP	25			
38	BlackRock Cayman West Bay Finco Limited	37			
39	BlackRock Cayman West Bay IV Limited	38			

9. In case of proxy voting

Date of general meeting: N/A

10. Additional Information

total holdings attached to shares going below 4%.

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