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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

June 30, 2011

Barclays PLC and Barclays Bank PLC (Names of Registrants)

1 Churchill Place

London E14 5HP England

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F x Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No x

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):

This Report is a joint Report on Form 6-K filed by Barclays PLC and Barclays Bank PLC. All of the issued ordinary share capital of Barclays Bank PLC is owned by Barclays PLC.

This Report comprises:

Information given to The London Stock Exchange and furnished pursuant to General Instruction B to the General Instructions to Form 6-K.

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| SIGNATURES | |
| Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the regretor to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized. | gistrants has duly caused this |
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| | BARCLAYS PLC (Registrant) |
| Date: June 30, 2011 | |
| | By: /s/ Patrick Gonsalves |
| | Patrick Gonsalves Deputy Secretary |
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| | BARCLAYS BANK PLC (Registrant) |
| Date: June 30, 2011 | |
| | By: /s/ Patrick Gonsalves |
| | Patrick Gonsalves Joint Secretary |

30 June 2011

Barclays PLC

Barclays agrees to sell a portfolio of approximately €520 million(1) (£460 million) of private equity fund interests to AXA Private Equity

Barclays Bank PLC has signed a definitive agreement to dispose of a €520m (£460m) portfolio of US and European private equity interests held and managed by Barclays Capital, its investment banking division, to AXA Private Equity. The portfolio includes investments in private equity funds as well as several direct private equity interests held by Barclays Capital. The portfolio does not include any investments managed by Barclays Private Equity.

The sale of this portfolio has been agreed in anticipation of new regulations impacting the cost to banks of holding private equity investments and their future returns. The purchase price for the portfolio exceeds the book value and the sale is expected to result in a small profit on disposal and a small increase in Core Tier One capital. Completion is subject to obtaining certain consents and waivers and is expected to occur in phases, with the initial completion expected to take place later this year.

"This transaction is further evidence that we are delivering on our commitment to increase our balance sheet efficiency", said ChrisLucas, Barclays Group Finance Director. "We are pleased with this transaction and continue to look for similar opportunities going forward."

In addition to Barclays own resources, Campbell Lutyens was retained to manage the auction process.

(1) Based on the aggregate net asset value of the portfolio plus undrawn commitments.

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About Barclays

Barclays is a major global financial services provider engaged in retail banking, credit cards, corporate and investment banking and wealth management with an extensive international presence in Europe, the Americas, Africa and Asia. With over 300 years of history and expertise in banking, Barclays operates in over 50 countries and employs over

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147,000 people. Barclays moves, lends, invests and protects money for over 48 million customers and clients worldwide.

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