

For the presentation on the 16th Annual General Meeting
on 12 May 2009 of

Erste Group Bank AG
Graben 21
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April 2009

Declaration according to § 87 (1a) Austrian Stock Corporation Act

In case, that I should be elected as member of the Supervisory Board of Erste Group Bank AG in the Annual General Meeting on 12 May 2009, I declare that I am not aware of any circumstances which might bias my ability to serve on the Erste Group Bank AG Supervisory Board.

Bettina Breiteneder

A handwritten signature in purple ink, consisting of several loops and a vertical stroke, positioned to the right of the printed name Bettina Breiteneder.