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

Erste Group Bank AG Graben 21 1010 Vienna

Barcelona, March 17, 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.

Juan María Nin Génova