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Erste Group's announcement regarding the postponement of the BCR listing

Given the major turbulences on the local and international capital and financial markets, Erste Group Bank AG and the five SIFs (SIF Banat Crişana, SIF Moldova, SIF Transilvania, SIF Muntenia and SIF Oltenia) as BCR shareholders have finalized the negotiations regarding the postponement of Banca Comercială Română's listing on the Bucharest Stock Exchange. The listing is part of the Share Purchase Agreement signed by Erste Group and AVAS in 2006.

As such, Erste Group and the five SIFs have signed a joint "Agreement on the postponement of the BCR listing". Further details regarding the conditions of the postponement will be published once the legal process has been completed.

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