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STERLING FINANCIAL HOLDINGS COMPANY PLC - PUBLICATION OF THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023 AND INTERIM UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

Sterling Financial Holdings Company Plc (the Company) wishes to notify the Nigerian Exchange Limited (NGX), its shareholders, and the investing public of the late filing of its first Audited Financial Statements (post the restructuring into a holding company) for the year ended 31st December 2023 (2023 AFS) and Interim Unaudited Financial Statements for the period ended 31st March 2023 (Q1, 2024 Interim Financial Statements).

The Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2023 and Q1 2024 Interim Financial Statements, have been approved by the Board, and other required approvals are being processed.

To this end, the Company will publish its 2023 AFS and Q1 2024 Interim Financial Statements after the regulatory filing due date and upon receipt of the requisite approvals.

In continuing compliance with the post-listing requirements of the NGX, the previously announced closed period which commenced on 1st January 2024 will continue until 24 hours after the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2023 and Unaudited Interim Financial Statements for the period ended 31st March 2024 are released on the floor of the NGX.

Consequently, Directors and other insiders of Sterling Financial Holdings Company Plc are restricted from dealing in the securities of the Company during the closed period.

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