



<b>B #:</b>	1933-15
<b>Date:</b>	10/16/15
<b>To:</b>	All Participants
<b>Category:</b>	Dividends
<b>From:</b>	Supervisor, Stock Dividend Department
<b>Attention:</b>	Dividend Managers, Cashiers, and Reorganization Managers
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Optional Dividend:</b> Banco Santander S.A. <b>CUSIP:</b> 05964H105 <b>Record Date:</b> 10/19/15 <b>Payable Date:</b> 11/16/15 <b>Rate:</b> 0.05 Euro per share equivalent to approximately \$0.056765 USD per ADR <b>DTC CA Web Cut-Off:</b> 10/26/15 at 8:00 P.M. EDT

\*\*\*\*\*WARNING TIME CRITICAL\*\*\*\*\*

Banco Santander S.A. has declared a scrip dividend which will permit shareholders to elect to receive the remuneration equivalent to the November dividend in stock or cash. Shareholders will receive one free subscription right for every share held on close of business 10/19/15, the record date. No rights will be distributed to holders of Santander ADRs. However, ADR holders will be permitted to elect one of the following options.

**Option 1 ADSs:** You may elect to receive (1) one new Santander ADS at a rate T.B.A. Cash will be paid in lieu of fractional ADSs at the DTC participant level. **This option is not subject to the 19.5% Spanish withholding tax.** ADS holders will be charged an issuance fee of \$0.035 per new Santander ADS issued. **(Default)**

**Option 2 Proceeds:** You may elect to receive the net proceeds from the sale of rights in the Spanish market at a rate T.B.A. **This option is not subject to the 19.5% Spanish withholding tax.** The trading period for the rights on the Spanish market is T.B.A. Holders will be charged a cash distribution fee of \$0.0025 based on record date position Santander ADS.

**Option 3 Cash:** You may elect to receive the entire distribution in cash at a fixed rate of **0.05 Euro** per share equating to an approximate net rate of **\$0.043196 USD** per ADR, which is based on the exchange rate published on Bloomberg on October 9, 2015. **This option is subject to 19.5% Spanish withholding tax.** Holders will also be charged a cash distribution fee of \$0.0025 based on record date position.

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DTC participants must enter tax relief requests and provide certain beneficial owner information through GlobeTax systems regarding those beneficial owners for whom a Quick Refund or Standard Long Form is being requested. Refer to the JP Morgan Important Notice attached to this notice for additional information.

**RECORD DATE POSITION INFORMATION SHOULD BE CONFIRMED THROUGH THE CA WEB.**

**PARTICIPANTS SHOULD SUBMIT ELECTION INSTRUCTIONS THROUGH THE CORPORATE ACTION WEB INSTRUCTION TAB.**

If there are any questions regarding relief entitlements, the Quick Refund or the Standard Long Form should contact Aina Moreno at GlobeTax telephone (212) 747-9100 or email [aina\\_moreno@globetax.com](mailto:aina_moreno@globetax.com).

Participants not responding to the above option by 10/26/2015 at 8:00 P.M. EDT will receive (1) one new Santander ADS at a rate T.B.A., in accordance with Option #1 ADSs (default).

If there are any questions regarding this Important Notice, or the processing of related instructions via CA Web, participants should contact DTC's Customer Help Line at (888) 382-2721.

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**Banco Santander, S.A** has announced a scrip dividend. J.P. MORGAN acts as the sole Depository bank for the company's Depository Receipt ("DR") program.

On ADR Pay Date Participants who elect **Option 3 Cash** for the optional election through CA Web will receive this dividend net of the full Spanish statutory withholding tax rate of 19.5% and may follow the withholding tax reclaim procedures outlined below to obtain treaty benefits. **Option 1 Stock** and **Option 2 Proceeds** are not subject to withholding tax and therefore no additional entitlement is possible.

**Option 3 Cash** beneficial owners may reclaim the difference between the statutory rate and the beneficial owner's rate of entitlement by submitting the required documentation to J.P. MORGAN. There will be one "Quick Refund" filing deadline as stipulated below, all claims submitted after this date should be submitted through the Standard "Long-Form" filing procedure.

DIVIDEND EVENT DETAILS	
COUNTRY OF ISSUANCE	SPAIN
ISSUE	BANCO SANTANDER, S.A.
CUSIP#	05964H105
DEPOSITARY	J.P. MORGAN
DR RECORD DATE	OCTOBER 19, 2015
ORD PAY DATE	NOVEMBER 6, 2015
DR PAY DATE	NOVEMBER 16, 2015
ORD GROSS DIVIDEND RATE	0.05 €
RATIO	1 ORD : 1 ADR
STATUTORY WHT RATE	19.5%

CHARGES & DEADLINES					
FILING METHOD	PAYMENT METHOD	DEPOSITARY SERVICE CHARGE	MINIMUM SERVICE CHARGE PER BENEFICIAL OWNER	CUSTODIAL FEE	FINAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE (ALL TIMES EST)
QUICK REFUND	CHECK	Up to \$0.0035 per ADR	Minimum of \$25.00	The greater of 60 EUR or 5% of the reclaim	<b>ESP &amp; DOCUMENTATION DEADLINE:</b> NOVEMBER 20, 2015; 5:00 P.M.
STANDARD LONG-FORM	CHECK	Up to \$0.005 per ADR	Minimum of \$25.00	The greater of 60 EUR or 5% of the reclaim	OCTOBER 1, 2018

## ELIGIBILITY MATRIX

RATE DESCRIPTION	RECLAIM RATE	ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS	DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED
<b>UNFAVORABLE - 19.5%</b>	<b>0%</b>	NON-TREATY COUNTRIES	NONE
<b>FAVORABLE - 18%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	BELARUS, KYRGYZSTAN, TAJIKISTAN, TURKMENISTAN, UKRAINE	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. EXHIBIT I (COVER LETTER)</li> <li>2. ESP SUBMISSION OR CLIENT LISTING ON EXHIBIT I</li> <li>3. CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE</li> </ol>
<b>FAVORABLE - 15%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	ALL U.S. ENTITIES	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. EXHIBIT I (COVER LETTER)</li> <li>2. ESP SUBMISSION OR CLIENT LISTING ON EXHIBIT I</li> <li>3. IRS FORM 6166</li> </ol>
<b>FAVORABLE - 15%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	ALGERIA, ARGENTINA, AUSTRALIA, AUSTRIA, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, BULGARIA, CANADA, CROATIA, CUBA, CZECH REPUBLIC, ECUADOR, ESTONIA, FINLAND, FRANCE, HUNGARY, ICELAND, INDIA, INDONESIA, IRELAND, ITALY, JAPAN, KAZAKHSTAN, LITHUANIA, LUXEMBOURG, MACEDONIA, MEXICO, MOROCCO, NEW ZEALAND, NORWAY, PHILIPPINES, POLAND, PORTUGAL, ROMANIA, RUSSIAN FEDERATION, SLOVAKIA, SLOVENIA, SOUTH AFRICA, SOUTH KOREA, TUNISIA, TURKEY, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, VIETNAM	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. EXHIBIT I (COVER LETTER)</li> <li>2. ESP SUBMISSION OR CLIENT LISTING ON EXHIBIT I</li> <li>3. CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE</li> </ol>
<b>FAVORABLE - 15%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	BELGIUM, GERMANY, SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND, THE NETHERLANDS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. EXHIBIT I (COVER LETTER)</li> <li>2. ESP SUBMISSION OR CLIENT LISTING ON EXHIBIT I</li> <li>3. PETICION DE REDUCCION (QUICK REFUND)</li> <li>4. PETICION DE DEVOLUCION (STANDARD LONG-FORM)</li> </ol>
<b>FAVORABLE - 12%</b>	<b>7.5%</b>	COSTA RICA, EL SALVADOR, EGYPT	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. EXHIBIT I (COVER LETTER)</li> <li>2. ESP SUBMISSION OR CLIENT LISTING ON EXHIBIT I</li> <li>3. CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE</li> </ol>
<b>FAVORABLE - 10%</b>	<b>9.5%</b>	ALBANIA, ARMENIA, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVENA, CHILE, CHINA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, GEORGIA, GREECE, HONG KONG, IRAN, ISRAEL, JAMAICA, LATVIA, MOLDOVA, NIGERIA, PAKISTAN, PANAMA, SENEGAL, SERBIA, THAILAND, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, UNITED KINGDOM, VENEZUELA	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. EXHIBIT I (COVER LETTER)</li> <li>2. ESP SUBMISSION OR CLIENT LISTING ON EXHIBIT I</li> <li>3. CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE</li> </ol>
<b>FAVORABLE - 5%</b>	<b>14.5%</b>	BARBADOS, COLOMBIA, CYPRUS, KUWAIT, MALAYSIA, MALTA, SAUDI ARABIA, SINGAPORE, URUGUAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. EXHIBIT I (COVER LETTER)</li> <li>2. ESP SUBMISSION OR CLIENT LISTING ON EXHIBIT I</li> <li>3. CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE</li> </ol>
<b>EXEMPT - 0% (LONG FORM ONLY)</b>	<b>19.5%</b>	BENEFICIARIES LISTED IN EXHIBIT II  PENSION FUNDS OF PANAMA, SWITZERLAND, UNITED KINGDOM	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. EXHIBIT I (COVER LETTER)</li> <li>2. ESP SUBMISSION OR CLIENT LISTING ON EXHIBIT I</li> <li>3. INCORPORATION DOCUMENT (FOR BENEFICIARIES ON EXHIBIT II ONLY)</li> <li>4. CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE (FOR LISTED PENSION FUNDS ONLY)</li> </ol>

## DESCRIPTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTATION (QUICK & STANDARD RECLAIMS)

DOCUMENT NAME	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL / COPY	SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT
<b>EXHIBIT I (COVER LETTER)</b>	LISTING OF BENEFICIAL OWNER INFORMATION (NAME, ADDRESS, TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER, NUMBER OF SHARES)	ORIGINAL	DTC REPRESENTATIVE
<b>IRS FORM 6166</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ISSUED BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, STATING THE NAME AND TAX PAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER</li> <li>- MUST MENTION THE UNITED STATES – SPAIN INCOME TAX CONVENTION</li> <li>- MUST STATE THE TAX YEAR OF THE DIVIDEND'S <u>LOCAL</u> PAY DATE OR BE DATED <b>1 YEAR</b> PRIOR TO THE DIVIDEND'S <u>LOCAL</u> PAY DATE</li> </ul>	ORIGINAL	IRS REPRESENTATIVE
<b>CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CERTIFIED BY TAX ADMINISTRATION OF BENEFICIARY'S COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE, STATING (IN ENGLISH OR SPANISH) THE NAME AND TAX PAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER</li> <li>- MUST MENTION THE TREATY BETWEEN THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE AND SPAIN</li> <li>- MUST STATE THE TAX YEAR OF THE DIVIDEND'S <u>LOCAL</u> PAY DATE <b>OR</b> BE DATED <b>1 YEAR</b> PRIOR TO THE DIVIDEND'S <u>LOCAL</u> PAY DATE</li> </ul>	ORIGINAL	RELEVANT TAX AUTHORITY
<b>PETICION DE REDUCCION &amp; PETICION DE DEVOLUCION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CERTIFIED BY TAX ADMINISTRATION OF BENEFICIARY'S COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE, STATING (IN ENGLISH OR SPANISH) THE NAME AND TAX PAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE BENEFICIAL OWNER</li> <li>- MUST MENTION THE TREATY BETWEEN THE COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE AND SPAIN</li> <li>- MUST STATE THE TAX YEAR OF THE DIVIDEND'S <u>LOCAL</u> PAY DATE <b>OR</b> BE DATED <b>1 YEAR</b> PRIOR TO THE DIVIDEND'S <u>LOCAL</u> PAY DATE</li> </ul>	ORIGINAL	RELEVANT TAX AUTHORITY
<b>INCORPORATION DOCUMENT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A COPY OF THE STATUES OF THE ENTITY WHERE IT IS MENTIONED THAT IT IS A SUPRANATIONAL ORGANIZATION.</li> </ul>	COPY	ENTITY'S REPRESENTATIVE

ESP

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**J.P. Morgan Chase offers ESP powered by GlobeTax, an electronic withholding tax submission system. This system allows for the secure and simple transfer of beneficial owner level data from the Participant to GlobeTax and creates applicable documentation on the Participants behalf.**

**Submit the data online through the web site below, print the documents on letterhead, sign them, and mail them to J.P. Morgan Chase/ Globetax along with the necessary required documents.**

**These claims should be submitted through the following website. (Requires a one-time registration)**

<https://esp.globetax.com/>

**Please contact Ms. Aina Moreno at 212-747-9100 or via e-mail at [Aina\\_Moreno@globetax.com](mailto:Aina_Moreno@globetax.com) if you have any questions about this process.**

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

### GENERAL QUESTIONS

QUESTION	ANSWER
WHAT ARE THE MINIMUM AMOUNT OF SHARES NECESSARY IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR RECLAIM?	APPROXIMATELY 37,000 ADRs
HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO RECEIVE PAYMENT ON QUICK REFUND RECLAIMS?	APPROXIMATELY 8-12 WEEKS FROM THE QUICK REFUND DEADLINE
HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO RECEIVE PAYMENT ON STANDARD LONG-FORM RECLAIMS?	APPROXIMATELY 1-3 YEARS
CAN I SUBMIT ONE IRS FORM 6166 OR CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE FOR THE SAME BENEFICIARY FOR MULTIPLE PAY DATES?	NO. AN ORIGINAL DOCUMENT IS REQUIRED FOR EACH DIVIDEND
IS THERE A RELIEF-AT-SOURCE PROCESS FOR THIS EVENT?	NO
WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE PETICION DE REDUCCION AND THE PETICION DE DEVOLUCION?	THE FORMS ARE IDENTICAL, HOWEVER, THE PETICION DE REDUCCION IS THE QUICK REFUND PROCESS AND THE PETICION DE DEVOLUCION IS FOR THE STANDARD LONG-FORM PROCESS
HOW LONG DO I HAVE TO RECLAIM ON THIS DIVIDEND?	UNTIL OCTOBER 1, 2019
WILL JPMORGAN /GLOBETAX ACCEPT CLAIMS FILED DIRECTLY TO THEM BY BENEFICIAL OWNERS?	JPMORGAN/GLOBETAX ONLY ACCEPTS CLAIMS FILED BY THE DTC PARTICIPANT WHO WAS HOLDING THE SECURITIES THROUGH DTC AND ONLY TO THE EXTENT THAT DTC HAS REPORTED THESE HOLDINGS TO US AS VALID.

## CONTACT DETAILS

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**EXHIBIT I - COVER LETTER REQUIRED FOR SPANISH QUICK REFUND OR STANDARD LONG-FORM RECLAIMS**

**THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE PREPARED ON THE DTC PARTICIPANT'S LETTERHEAD**

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**[DATE]**

JPMORGAN Chase Bank  
c/o GlobeTax  
90 Broad Street-16<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10004-2205  
Attn: Spain - Option

Enclosed please find tax reclamation documents, which we are submitting on behalf of our clients who wish to avoid excess withholding tax on Spanish ADRs. We, [NAME OF DTC PARTICIPANT], also identified as DTC participant number [DTC PARTICIPANT NUMBER], hereby state that each beneficial owner cited below held the respective amount of shares on the record date of October 19, 2015 for the security Banco Santander, S.A. (CUSIP: 05964H105).

Below is the list of beneficial owners and their holdings, which total [TOTAL # OF ADRs CITED BELOW] ADRs. As required, the forms and a certification of residency document (Form 6166) if applicable, are enclosed for each beneficial owner. **The ratio is 1 ADRs to 1 Ordinary shares.** The information is as follows:

<u>Name of beneficial owner</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Type of Account</u>	<u>Taxpayer ID #</u>	<u># of ADRs held</u>
1)				
2)				
3)				
4) etc.				

We ask that JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Depository, apply to the Spanish depository bank for the reduced withholding tax rate on the above beneficial owners' behalf. Please contact the undersigned at [SIGNATORY'S TELEPHONE NUMBER] or via email at [SIGNATORY'S EMAIL ADDRESS] should you have any questions.

**Indemnification**

I / We certify that to the best of my knowledge the individual beneficial owners are eligible for the preferential rates as stated herein and I declare that I have performed all the necessary due diligence to satisfy myself as to the accuracy of the information submitted to me by these beneficial owners.

JPMORGAN is not liable for failure to secure the refund and any funds erroneously received shall be immediately returned to JPMORGAN, including any interest, additions to tax or penalties thereon. This is not tax advice. Please consult your tax advisor.

Sincerely,

[Signature of authorized signatory for DTC Participant]  
**[NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICER FOR DTC PARTICIPANT]**

PAYMENT ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## **EXHIBIT II- THE LIST OF THE TAX-EXEMPT ENTITIES**

African Development Bank  
Asian Development Bank  
European Bank for Reconstruction and Development  
European Central Bank  
European Investment Bank  
European Monetary Institute  
European Patent Organization  
European Space Agency  
European Union  
Inter-American Development Bank  
International Atomic Energy Agency  
International Bank of Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)  
International Civil Aviation Organisation  
International Development Association  
International Financial Corporation  
International Fund for Agricultural Development  
International Labour Organisation (ILO)  
International Maritime Organisation  
International Monetary Fund (IMF)  
International Oil Council  
International Telecommunications Union  
North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)  
Spanish Red Cross  
United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)  
United Nations (UN)  
United Nations Refugee Agency  
United Nations Education, Science and Culture Organisation (UNESCO)  
United Nations Food and Agricultural Organisation  
United Nations World Food Program  
Universal Postal Union  
World Health Organisation (WHO)  
World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO)  
World Tourism Organisation (WTO)  
World Trade Organisation  
World Weather Organisation