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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

March 2007

Barclays PLC and Barclays Bank PLC (Names of Registrants)

1 Churchill Place
London E14 5HP
England
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F x Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No x

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12q3-2 (b):

This Report is a joint Report on Form 6-K filed by Barclays PLC and Barclays Bank PLC. All of the issued ordinary share capital of Barclays Bank PLC is owned by Barclays PLC.

This Report comprises:

Information given to The London Stock Exchange and furnished pursuant to General Instruction B to the General Instructions to Form 6-K.

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Statement re. Press Comment

19 March 2007

BARCLAYS PLC

Statement re Press Comment

Barclays PLC notes the recent press speculation in relation to ABN AMRO Holding $\ensuremath{\text{N.V.}}$

An announcement clarifying the position will be made before open of business tomorrow.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the registrants has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

BARCLAYS PLC
(Registrant)

Date: March 19, 2007 By: /s/ Patrick Gonsalves

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Patrick Gonsalves Deputy Secretary

BARCLAYS BANK PLC (Registrant)

Date: March 19, 2007 By: /s/ Patrick Gonsalves

Patrick Gonsalves

Patrick Gonsalves Joint Secretary