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Plus500 Ltd
(“Plus500” or “the Group”)

First day dealings on AIM for Plus500 under ticker “PLUS”

Dealings commence at 8am, 24 July 2013

Plus500, the provider of an online trading platform for retail customers to trade CFDs internationally, is pleased to announce that Admission and trading of its Ordinary Shares commences today on the AIM market of the London Stock Exchange ("AIM").

The Placing successfully raised US$75 million via the placing of US$25 million (£16.5 million) new ordinary shares and US$50 million (£33.1 million) existing ordinary shares at a placing price of 115 pence per share. Plus500’s market capitalisation on admission, based on the Placing Price, is approximately US$200 million (£132 million).

The Group’s net proceeds of the Placing will be used to invest in additional marketing activities to increase brand awareness; penetrate new markets and accelerate growth in existing markets; strengthen the Group’s balance sheet and capital base; give the Group additional flexibility when assessing potential acquisitions; and maintain reserve capital surplus to the Group’s existing mandatory regulatory capital requirements.

Liberum Capital Limited is acting as nominated adviser and broker to Plus500.

Plus500’s TIDM Code is “PLUS”.

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About Plus500

Plus500 has developed and operates an online trading platform for retail customers to trade CFDs internationally over more than 1,700 different underlying global financial instruments comprising equities, ETFs, foreign exchange, indices and commodities.

The Group enables retail customers to trade CFDs in more than 50 countries. The trading platform is accessible from multiple operating systems (Window, smartphones (iOS and Android) and tablets (iOS and Android)) and the internet. The Directors believe that the success of the Group to date has been primarily due to the proprietary technology it has developed and continues to develop to support the trading platform. The trading platform has been designed to be as intuitive and easy to use as possible. The trading platform has been localised into 30 languages. The Directors believe that this emphasis on technology, together with the Group’s targeted online marketing strategy, has helped to differentiate the Group from its competitors.
The Group generates its revenues principally from the dealing spreads on the trading platform. In addition, the Group generates revenues from overnight premiums, effectively a financing charge, on certain positions held by customers overnight and gains (offset by losses) on customers’ trading positions. The Group does not charge customers a commission on trades.

The Group conducts its operations from three offices which are located in Haifa (Israel), London (United Kingdom) and Sydney (Australia).

Plus500UK Limited (“Plus500UK”), the Group’s UK subsidiary, is authorised and regulated by the FCA. Plus500UK also operates in other European Economic Area countries and Gibraltar through a regulatory passporting mechanism. Plus500AU Pty Ltd has also received an ASIC licence which enables it to conduct a financial services business in Australia.

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