

ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND GROUP PLC

Form 424B5

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Preliminary Pricing Supplement No. 5 dated January 30, 2012 (to: Prospectus dated September 30, 2009 and Prospectus Supplement dated November 21, 2011)

CUSIP / ISIN Number	Aggregate Principal Amount	Price to Public	Selling Commission	Net Proceeds	Coupon Type	Coupon Rate	Coupon Frequency	Maturity Date	1st Coupon Date	
78012DAE3 / US78012DAE31	\$	100.00%	1.075%	\$	FIXED	4.00% per annum	MONTHLY	02/15/2015	03/15/2012	

Redemption Information: Non-Callable/Non-Puttable

Lead Manager and Lead Agent: RBS Securities Inc.

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc

Offering Dates: 01/30/2012 through 02/06/2012  
 Trade Date: 02/06/2012 @ 12:00 P.M. ET  
 Settlement Date: 02/09/2012  
 Minimum Denomination/Increments: \$1,000.00/\$1,000.00  
 Initial trades settle flat and clear SDFS: DTC Book-Entry only  
 DTC Number 2230 via RBS Securities Inc.

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc  
 Retail Corporate Notes  
 Prospectus dated September 30, 2009 and Prospectus Supplement dated November 21, 2011

If the maturity date or an interest payment date for any note is not a business day (as that term is defined in

the prospectus supplement), principal, premium, if any, and interest for that note is paid on the next business day, and no interest will accrue from, and after, the maturity date or interest payment date.

The notes will be treated as fixed rate debt instruments for U.S. federal income tax purposes.