€300,000,000 9 per cent. Perpetual Subordinated Fixed/Floating Rate Notes (ISIN XS0372300227) (the "Perpetual Subordinated Notes") issued by Banca Popolare di Milano S.C. a r.l.

and

8.393% Noncumulative Perpetual Trust Preferred Securities (ISIN XS 0131749623) (the "Trust Preferred Securities") issued by BPM Capital Trust I representing a corresponding amount of

8.393% Noncumulative Perpetual Company Preferred Securities (the “Company Preferred Securities”) of BPM Capital I LLC guaranteed on a subordinated basis by

Banca Popolare di Milano S.C. a r.l.

Banca Popolare di Milano S.C. a.r.l. (“BPM”) hereby informs that its management board has resolved at today’s board meeting not to proceed with payment of interest accrued on the Perpetual Subordinated Notes and dividends on the Company Preferred Securities on the forthcoming payment dates of 25th June 2012 and 2nd July 2012, respectively. It follows that no distributions will be made on the Trust Preferred Securities on 2nd July 2012. The Trust Preferred Securities and the Perpetual Subordinated Notes have been placed with institutional investors upon their issuance.

Such optional suspension of interest and dividend payment is permitted under the terms and conditions of the securities in question, given that according to BPM’s financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2011, BPM had a loss of Euro 505 million and no dividends have been (or will have been) declared or paid on BPM’s ordinary shares during the 12-month period preceding the aforementioned payment dates. In addition, neither BPM nor any of its subsidiaries has made any acquisition, during such 12-month period, of BPM ordinary shares or other instruments that are relevant for the purpose of the terms and conditions of these securities.
Notice to the holders of the Perpetual Subordinated Notes and the Trust Preferred Securities will be given in due course, in accordance with the provisions set forth in the terms and conditions of these securities.

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