

RBS Holdings N.V.
Form 6-K
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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For November 7, 2013

Commission File Number: 001-14624

RBS HOLDINGS N.V.

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RBS Group notes credit ratings downgrade by S&P

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc (the Group) notes the decision by Standard & Poor's Rating Services (S&P) to downgrade certain of the Group and its core subsidiaries' long-term and short-term credit ratings by one notch. The subsidiaries impacted are The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, The Royal Bank of Scotland N.V. and National Westminster Bank Plc. The downgrade reflects the fact that a transitional notch, called a 'positive transition notch', that was built into our ratings in late 2011 in recognition of the progress the Group had made in its restructuring has now been removed. The Group's recent announcement to create an internal bad bank, coupled with S&P's concerns on execution risk, litigation risk and the potential for conduct related fines has resulted in the removal of this transition notch. We are not expecting this downgrade to have a material adverse impact on the liquidity of the Group.

Given the neutral stance of the other agencies, we are disappointed with S&P's decision to downgrade our ratings.

For further information contact:

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Signatures

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

RBS HOLDINGS N.V.

Date: November 7, 2013

By: /s/ C. Visscher

Name: C. Visscher

Title: Chief Financial Officer
