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## Press – Release

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### PROJECT MAPLE II

#### REFINANCES 8 CANADA SQUARE, CANARY WHARF, UK

Project Maple II BV, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Qatar Investment Authority (QIA), has announced today that it has completed a £625 million refinancing of 8 Canada Square, Canary Wharf, which serves as HSBC's global headquarters. The refinancing was completed with a syndicate of six banks, Crédit Agricole CIB, DekaBank, Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch, DBS Bank Ltd, London Branch and HSBC Bank Plc, all acting as Lenders and Mandated Lead Arrangers and Intesa Sanpaolo acting as Lender and Banca IMI, its Investment Bank, acting as Mandated Lead Arranger.

QIA acquired the 1.1 million sq. ft. 8 Canada Square from the National Pension Service of Korea (NPS) in a cash transaction in December 2014. QIA subsequently refinanced the acquisition in 2015 with a group of relationship banks. Allen & Overy LLP and CBRE acted respectively as Legal Advisers and Valuer for the Banks, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP and Herbert Smith Freehills LLP acted as Legal Advisers for Project Maple II BV.

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