

Press Release

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Societe Generale takes note of the decision of Tidjane Thiam, Group Chief Executive of Prudential, not to pursue the opportunity to join Societe Generale's Board at this time. The bank will withdraw the proposal to its General Meeting of shareholders on 25 May 2010 proposing his nomination as independent director.

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