

PRESS RELEASE

INTESA SANPAOLO: STAKE IN UNICREDIT

*Torino, Milano, 31*st May 2007 – Today, Intesa Sanpaolo has notified Consob – by filing the relevant form 120 A – that on 24th May 2007, its subsidiary Banca Caboto descended below the 2% threshold in the ordinary share capital of UniCredit and on the same date, the Intesa Sanpaolo Group held a 3.93% stake in the ordinary share capital of UniCredit. Yesterday, the Group's stake dropped to 2.32% and is expected to return below the 2% threshold by the middle of June 2007.