

ALLIED IRISH BANKS PLC
Form 6-K
June 14, 2010

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

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

For the date of 14 June, 2010

**ALLIED IRISH BANKS, public limited company
Bankcentre, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4, Republic of Ireland**

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No ..X...

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For Immediate Release

14th June 2010

Allied Irish Banks, p.l.c.

**ISSUANCE OF ORDINARY SHARES TO NATIONAL PENSIONS RESERVE FUND COMMISSION
(NPRFC)**

On 13th May 2010, Allied Irish Banks, p.l.c. ("AIB")
[NYSE: AIB]

announced that it had issued 198,089,847 Ordinary Shares (€0.32 par value each in the share capital of AIB) to the value of EUR280 million, to the National Pensions Reserve Fund Commission by way of a bonus issue. The number of shares is equal to the aggregate cash amount of the annual dividend of €280 million on the NPRFC's holding of 2009 Preference Shares divided by the average price per share in the 30 trading days prior to 13th May.

In connection with this bonus issue, by no later than mid-September 2010, AIB will make an application with associated documentation to the Irish Stock Exchange and the UK Listing Authority for these new Ordinary Shares to be listed on the Official Lists and to be admitted to trading on their respective regulated markets for listed securities.

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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 authorised.

ALLIED IRISH BANKS, p.l.c.
(Registrant)

Date 14 June, 2010

By: _____
Maelíosa óHógartaigh
Acting Chief Financial Officer
Allied Irish Banks, p.l.c.