

ALLIED IRISH BANKS PLC
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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 2 November, 2010

ALLIED IRISH BANKS, public limited company

Bankcentre, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4, Republic of Ireland

FOR IMMEDIATE
RELEASE

1st NOVEMBER 2010

AIB - UK Sale Process

Allied Irish Banks, p.l.c. ("AIB") [NYSE:AIB] notes recent press comments in relation to the sale of its UK business. In light of current market conditions, progress in relation to the disposal of that business has been challenging. The Company continues to keep the sale process under review and will update the market in due course.

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Yes No ..X...

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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 2 November, 2010

By: _____
Bernard Byrne
Chief Financial Officer
Allied Irish Banks, p.l.c.