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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13-A OR 15D-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

August 6, 2008

Commission File Number 1-10284

Allied Irish Banks,

public limited company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ireland

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Bankcentre, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4, Ireland

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(Address of principal executive offices)

Liam Kinsella, Company Secretary

Allied Irish Banks, p.l.c.

Bankcentre, Ballsbridge

Dublin 4, Ireland

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(Name, telephone number and address of Company contact person)

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

Form 20-F x Form 40-F "

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1):

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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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The Half-yearly Financial Report and the capitalization table attached to this Form 6-K as Exhibits 1.1 and 1.2, respectively, shall be incorporated by reference in the Registrant s Registration Statement on Form F-3 (Registration No. 333-151361), including the prospectus, dated June 3, 2008 relating to the securities of the Registrant in each case as amended or supplemented from time to time. The Half-yearly Financial Report and the capitalization table attached to this Form 6-K were prepared for distribution in the United States.

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DescriptionAIB Group Half-yearly Financial Report for the half-year June 30, 2008. 1.1

1.2 Capitalization table.