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Denmark-Based Nykredit Realkredit A/S Rating And Outlook Unaffected By Offer To Buy Minority Stake

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STOCKHOLM (S&P Global Ratings) Nov. 3, 2017--S&P Global Ratings said today that its ratings and outlook on Denmark-based bank Nykredit Realkredit A/S (A/Stable/A-1) are not immediately affected by a group of Danish investors' offer to Nykredit's main owner--Forenet Kredit--to purchase a minority stake in the bank. If this offer were to be considered by the bank's owner, we expect that it could put a halt to the bank's currently ongoing IPO process. This would not change the bank's capital situation since the bank would not have direct access to the potential proceeds of the sale, which would be held by its shareholders. We previously assessed that the IPO process would have a neutral impact on our credit rating on Nykredit (see "Nykredit Realkredit A/S," published Nov. 1, 2017, on RatingsDirect)

Nykredit Realkredit benefits from strong capitalization in global terms, with a risk-adjusted capital ratio that we expect will remain sustainably above 10%. This, together with a sizable buffer of additional loss-absorption capacity, supports our current rating and outlook.

Only a rating committee may determine a rating action and this report does not constitute a rating action.

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