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Washington, D.C. 20549

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REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

The Carlyle Group L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

45-2832612 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

Identification Number)

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The Carlyle Group L.P. 2012 Equity Incentive Plan

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