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**Inaugural Bank of China (Hong Kong) Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge
(HK Section) Half Marathon held with great success
8,000 participants made history together in Hong Kong**

The inaugural Bank of China (Hong Kong) (“BOCHK”) Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HK Section) Half Marathon, sponsored by BOCHK and organised by Hong Kong, China Association of Athletics Affiliates (HKAAA), was successfully held today. Nearly 8,000 runners took part in the half marathon on the world's longest bridge-tunnel combined cross-sea channel. Over 90 percent of the participants completed the race, making history together in Hong Kong.

Mr. Chan Kwok Ki, GBM, GBS, JP, Chief Secretary for Administration of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region; Mr. Benson Kwok Joon Fung, Director of Immigration; Mr. Dahlan al-Hamad, President of Asian Athletics Association; Mr. Kwan Kee, Chairman of the HKAAA; and Mr. Sun Yu, Vice Chairman and Chief Executive of BOCHK, along with other distinguished guests officiated the ceremony by firing the starting pistol. The runners were excited and embraced the enthusiastic atmosphere as they ran together towards the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge. The half marathon covered a distance of about 21.1 kilometres, starting from the Hong Kong Port of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge. Participants ran along the Hong Kong Link Road of the bridge, while enjoying the scenery of the Hong Kong International Airport.

BOCHK has always been committed to undertaking its corporate social responsibilities by supporting various impactful sports initiatives to promote sports development in Hong Kong and foster social harmony and inclusiveness. The Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge is an important infrastructure that drives the development of the Greater Bay Area and brings Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao closer together. By supporting this iconic local sports event, BOCHK aims to showcase a remarkable Hong Kong story as well as to facilitate interaction and integration within the Greater Bay Area. Leveraging its leading advantages in cross-boundary wealth management, the Bank actively promotes financial and livelihood interconnectivity, assisting the stakeholders in capturing opportunities in the Greater Bay Area.

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