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COMPLETION OF CONNECTED TRANSACTION IN RELATION TO TRANSFER OF BOC VIENTIANE BRANCH IN LAOS

Reference is made to the announcement made by the Company on 4 December 2018 with respect to the proposed transfer of the branch interests in Bank of China Limited, Vientiane Branch in Laos (“**BOC Vientiane Branch**”) (the “**Announcement**”). Unless otherwise specified, capitalised terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcement.

The Board is pleased to announce that all of the conditions precedent set out in the Agreement have been satisfied or, as appropriate, waived. To facilitate smooth transition, upon implementation of the relevant integration work, it is expected that completion of the Proposed Branch Transfer will take place on 21 January 2019 pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Agreement (the “**Completion**”).

Upon Completion, BOC Vientiane Branch will become a branch owned by BOCHK, and all the Branch Interests will be held by BOCHK, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

By Order of the Board
LUO Nan
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 28 December 2018

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. CHEN Siqing (Chairman), Mr. LIU Liange* (Vice Chairman), Mr. GAO Yingxin (Vice Chairman and Chief Executive), Mr. LIN Jingzhen*, Mr. LI Jiuzhong, Madam CHENG Eva**, Dr. CHOI Koon Shum**, Mr. KOH Beng Seng** and Mr. TUNG Savio Wai-Hok**.*

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