

BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Limited (“the Company”) was incorporated in Hong Kong on 12 September 2001 to hold the entire equity interest in Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited (“BOCHK”), its principal operating subsidiary. Bank of China Limited holds a substantial part of its interests in the shares of the Company through BOC Hong Kong (BVI) Limited, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Bank of China Limited.

BOCHK is a leading commercial banking group in Hong Kong. With over 260 branches, more than 570 ATMs and other delivery channels in Hong Kong, BOCHK and its subsidiaries offer a comprehensive range of financial products and services to individual and corporate customers. BOCHK is one of the three note issuing banks in Hong Kong. In addition, the BOCHK Group (comprising BOCHK, Nanyang Commercial Bank and Chiyu Banking Corporation) and its subsidiaries have 29 branches and sub-branches in the Mainland of China to provide cross-border banking services to customers in Hong Kong and the Mainland. BOCHK is appointed by the People’s Bank of China as the Clearing Bank for Renminbi (“RMB”) business in Hong Kong. On 13 July 2010, BOCHK was authorised as the Clearing Bank of RMB banknotes business for the Taiwan region.

The Company began trading on the main board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong on 25 July 2002, with stock code “2388”, ADR OTC Symbol: “BHKLY”.

Theme

Year 2012 marks the 100th anniversary of the Bank of China (“BOC”), the parent bank of the Group. We take great pride in seeing that BOC has been growing into the most internationalised commercial bank in China and has earned high recognition in the world. The cover design of this annual report is made up of the BOC Tower and fireworks, symbolising the number “100” and expressing the joyful atmosphere in celebrating the centenary of BOC.

As an integral part of the BOC Group, we will capitalise on BOC Group’s strong franchise and extensive network to grow our business and deliver sustainable value for our stakeholders.

On the back of close collaboration with our parent, we strive to provide quality services to meet the diverse demands of our customers, especially in cross-border financial services and RMB business. These are reflected in the dividers of the report.



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