# 1. Corporate information Board of Directors

### Chairman

CHEN Siging#

### Vice Chairman

GAO Yingxin (re-designation as Executive Director and

appointment as Vice Chairman effective from 1 January 2018)

#### **Directors**

LIU Qiang# (appointment effective

from 24 August 2018)

LIN Jingzhen# (appointment effective

from 24 August 2018)

LI Jiuzhong CHENG Eva\* CHOI Koon Shum\* KOH Beng Seng\* TUNG Savio Wai-Hok\*

REN Deqi<sup>#</sup> (resignation effective from 12 June 2018)

# Non-executive Directors

### Senior Management

### **Chief Executive**

GAO Yingxin (appointment effective

from 1 January 2018)

### **Chief Risk Officer**

LI Jiuzhong

### **Deputy Chief Executives**

YUAN Shu

LIN Jingzhen (resignation effective from 1 February 2018)

### **Chief Operating Officer**

ZHONG Xianggun

### **Chief Financial Officer**

SUI Yang

### **Deputy Chief Executive**

KUNG YEUNG Ann Yun Chi

### Company Secretary

LUO Nan

### Registered Office

24th Floor

Bank of China Tower 1 Garden Road Hong Kong

#### **Auditor**

Ernst & Young

### Share Registrar

Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited

17M Floor

Hopewell Centre

183 Queen's Road East

Wan Chai Hong Kong

### ADR Depositary Bank

Citibank, N.A.

388 Greenwich Street

6th Floor

New York, NY 10013 United States of America

### Credit Ratings (Long Term)

Standard & Poor's A+
Moody's Aa3
Fitch A

### **Index Constituent**

The Company is a constituent of the following indices:

Hang Seng Index Series

Hang Seng Corporate Sustainability Index Series

Hang Seng High Dividend Yield Index Series

MSCI Index Series
FTSE Index Series

CES Belt and Road Index Series

### Stock Codes

Ordinary shares:

The Stock Exchange of 2388

Hong Kong Limited

Reuters 2388.HK Bloomberg 2388 HK

Level 1 ADR Programme:

CUSIP No. 096813209 OTC Symbol BHKLY

### Website

www.bochk.com

<sup>\*</sup> Independent Non-executive Directors

### 2. Interim dividend and closure of register of members

The Board has declared an interim dividend of HK\$0.545 per share (2017: HK\$0.545), payable on Wednesday, 3 October 2018 to shareholders whose names appear on the Register of Members of the Company on Monday, 24 September 2018.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed, for the purpose of determining shareholders' entitlement to the interim dividend, from Wednesday, 19 September 2018 to Monday, 24 September 2018 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares will be registered. In order to qualify for the interim dividend, shareholders should ensure that all transfer documents, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, are lodged with the Company's Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, not later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 18 September 2018. Shares of the Company will be traded ex-dividend as from Monday, 17 September 2018.

### 3. Interest of substantial shareholders

The register maintained by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO recorded that, as at 30 June 2018, the following parties had the following interests (as defined in the SFO) in the Company set opposite their respective names:

Name of Corporation	Number of shares held in the Company	Approximate % of the total issued shares
Central Huijin	6,984,274,213	66.06%
BOC	6,984,274,213	66.06%
BOCHKG	6,984,175,056	66.06%
BOC (BVI)	6,984,175,056	66.06%

#### Notes:

- 1. Following the reorganisation of BOC in August 2004, Central Huijin holds the controlling equity capital of BOC on behalf of the State. Accordingly, for the purpose of the SFO, Central Huijin is deemed to have the same interests in the Company as BOC.
- 2. BOC holds the entire issued shares of BOCHKG, which in turn holds the entire issued shares of BOC (BVI). Accordingly, BOC and BOCHKG are deemed to have the same interests in the Company as BOC (BVI) for the purpose of the SFO. BOC (BVI) beneficially held 6,984,175,056 shares of the Company.
- 3. BOC holds the entire issued shares of BOCI, which in turn holds the entire issued shares of BOCI Asia Limited and BOCI Financial Products Limited. Accordingly, BOC is deemed to have the same interests in the Company as BOCI Asia Limited and BOCI Financial Products Limited for the purpose of the SFO. BOCI Asia Limited had an interest in 24,479 shares of the Company and an interest in 72,000 shares held under physically settled equity derivatives while BOCI Financial Products Limited had an interest in 2,678 shares of the Company.

All the interests stated above represented long positions. Apart from the disclosure above, according to the register maintained by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO, BOCI Financial Products Limited had an interest in 143,522 shares which represented short positions. BOC and Central Huijin are deemed to be interested in such number of shares for the purpose of the SFO. Save as disclosed, no other interests or short positions were recorded in the register maintained by the Company under section 336 of the SFO as at 30 June 2018.

# 4. Directors' and Chief Executive's interests in shares, underlying shares and debentures

As at 30 June 2018, the interests and short position of Directors, Chief Executive and their respective associates in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules (the "Model Code") are set out below:

# Associated corporation of the Company: Bank of China Limited (H Shares)

	Numbe				
Name of director	Personal interests	Family interests	Corporate interests	Total	Approximate % of the total issued H shares
Gao Yingxin Choi Koon Shum	1,100 4,000,000	- 40,000 <sup>2</sup>	– 1,120,000 <sup>3</sup>	1,100 5,160,000	0.00% <sup>1</sup> 0.01%

#### Notes:

- 1. Such shares held by Mr Gao Yingxin representing approximately 0.000001% of the total issued H shares of BOC.
- 2. Such shares are held by the spouse of Dr Choi Koon Shum.
- 3. Dr Choi Koon Shum is deemed to be interested in the 1,120,000 shares held through Choi Koon Shum Education Foundation Limited by virtue of the SFO.

All the interests stated above represented long positions. Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2018, none of the Directors, Chief Executive or their respective associates had any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

### 5. Changes of information in respect of Directors

In accordance with Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules, the changes in information required to be disclosed by Directors pursuant to paragraphs (a) to (e) and (g) of Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules after the publication of the Company's Annual Report 2017 on 29 March 2018 up to 28 August 2018 (being the approval date of this Interim Report) are set out below:

- (a) Mr GAO Yingxin, Vice Chairman and Chief Executive of the Company, has been appointed as member of HKSAR Human Resources Planning Commission on 1 April 2018, member of the Council of Treasury Markets Association on 9 April 2018 and Co-Chairman of Guangdong-HK-Macao Bay Area Entrepreneurs Union on 15 May 2018. Mr GAO resigned as Chairman of BOCI and BOC Poverty Relief and Education Charity Fund Limited on 23 April 2018, Chairman of China Cultural Industrial Investment Fund Co., Ltd on 24 April 2018 and Chairman of BOC International (China) Co., Ltd. (formerly known as BOC International (China) Limited) on 31 May 2018.
- (b) Mr KOH Beng Seng, Independent Non-executive Director of the Company, ceased to be a Director of Hon Sui Sen Endowment CLG Limited upon its dissolution by members' voluntary winding up on 1 June 2018.
- (c) Mr REN Deqi resigned as Non-executive Director and ceased to be the Chairman of the Strategy and Budget Committee and a member of the Risk Committee of the Company and BOCHK with effect from 12 June 2018.
- (d) Mr LIU Qiang has been appointed as Non-executive Director, member of each of the Remuneration Committee and the Strategy and Budget Committee of the Company and BOCHK with effect from 24 August 2018.
- (e) Mr LIN Jingzhen has been appointed as Non-executive Director, a member of the Strategy and Budget Committee of the Company and BOCHK with effect from 24 August 2018.

The biographies of Directors are available under the sub-section "Organisation - Board of Directors" of the section headed "About Us" on the Company's website at www.bochk.com.

## 6. Purchase, sale or redemption of the Company's shares

During the period under review, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's shares.

### 7. Audit Committee

The Audit Committee consists of Independent Non-executive Directors only. It is chaired by Mr TUNG Savio Wai-Hok. Other members include Madam CHENG Eva, Dr CHOI Koon Shum and Mr KOH Beng Seng.

Based on the principle of independence, the Audit Committee assists the Board in monitoring the financial reports, internal control, internal audit and external audit of the Group.

At the request of the Audit Committee of the Company, the Group's external auditor has carried out a review of the interim financial information in accordance with the Hong Kong Standard on Review Engagements 2410 "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity" issued by the HKICPA. The Audit Committee has reviewed with the Management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed auditing, internal control and financial reporting matters including the review of the unaudited interim reports.

# 8. Compliance with the "Corporate Governance Code and Corporate Governance Report"

The Company is committed to embracing and enhancing good corporate governance principles and practices. During the period under review, the Company has been in full compliance with all code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code and Corporate Governance Report as contained in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules (the "Corporate Governance Code"). The Company has also complied with nearly all the recommended best practices set out in the Corporate Governance Code throughout the period. For further details, please refer to the section titled "Corporate Governance" contained in the Annual Report 2017 of the Company.

## 9. Compliance with the Codes for Securities Transactions by Directors

The Company has established and implemented the "Code for Securities Transactions by Directors" (the "Company's Code") to govern the Directors' dealings in securities transactions of the Company. Terms of the Company's Code are more stringent than the mandatory standards set out in the Model Code. Apart from the securities of the Company, the Company's Code also applies to the Director's dealings in the securities of BOC and its subsidiary, BOC Aviation Limited which have been listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange since June 2006 and June 2016 respectively. Upon specific enquiry by the Company, all Directors confirmed that they had strictly complied with the provisions as set out in both the Company's Code and the Model Code throughout the period under review. The Company had undertaken a review of the Company's Code in October 2016. There were no fundamental amendments to the Company's Code and changes were adaptive in nature mainly to refine the Company's Code.

### 10. Compliance with the Banking (Disclosure) Rules and the Listing Rules

This unaudited Interim Report complies with the applicable requirements set out in the Banking (Disclosure) Rules under the Banking Ordinance and the applicable disclosure provisions of the Listing Rules.

## 11. Interim Report

This Interim Report is available in both English and Chinese. A copy prepared in the language different from that in which you have received is available by writing to the Company's Share Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong or email to bochk.ecom@computershare.com.hk.

This Interim Report is also available (in both English and Chinese) on the Company's website at www.bochk.com and the Stock Exchange's website at www.hkexnews.hk. You are encouraged to access the Interim Report and other corporate communications of the Company through these websites in lieu of receiving printed copies to help protect the environment. We believe that it is also the most efficient and convenient method of communication with our shareholders.

If you have any queries about how to obtain copies of this Interim Report or how to access those corporate communications on the Company's website, please call the Company's hotline at (852) 2846 2700.

### 12. Reconciliation between HKFRSs vs IFRSs/CASs

The Company understands that BOC, an intermediate holding company as well as controlling shareholder of the Company, will prepare and disclose consolidated financial information in accordance with IFRSs and CASs for which the Company and its subsidiaries will form part of the interim financial information. The requirements of CASs have substantially converged with HKFRSs and IFRSs.

The consolidated financial information of "BOC Hong Kong Group" for the periods disclosed by BOC in its interim financial information is not the same as the consolidated financial information of the Group for the periods published by the Company pursuant to applicable laws and regulations in Hong Kong. There are two reasons for this.

First, the definitions of "BOC Hong Kong Group" (as adopted by BOC for the purpose of its own financial disclosure) and "Group" (as adopted by the Company in preparing and presenting its consolidated financial information) are different: "BOC Hong Kong Group" refers to BOCHKG and its subsidiaries, whereas "Group" refers to the Company and its subsidiaries (see the below organisation chart). Though there is difference in definitions between "BOC Hong Kong Group" and "Group", their financial results for the periods presented are substantially the same. This is because BOCHKG and BOC (BVI) are holding companies only and have no substantive operations of their own.



Second, the Group has prepared its interim financial information in accordance with HKFRSs; whereas the consolidated financial information reported to BOC is prepared in accordance with IFRSs and CASs respectively. There is a difference in the election of subsequent measurement basis of bank premises by the Group and by BOC respectively.

The Board considers that the best way to ensure that shareholders and the investing public understand the material differences between the consolidated financial information of the Group published by the Company on the one hand, and the consolidated financial information of BOC Hong Kong Group disclosed by BOC in its interim financial information on the other hand, is to present reconciliations of the profit after tax/net assets of the Group prepared under HKFRSs to the profit after tax/net assets of the Group prepared under IFRSs and CASs respectively for the periods presented.

#### 12. Reconciliation between HKFRSs vs IFRSs/CASs (continued)

The major differences which arise from the difference in measurement basis relate to the following:

#### Restatement of carrying value of bank premises (a)

The Company has elected for a revaluation model rather than cost model to account for bank premises and investment properties under HKFRSs. On the contrary, BOC has elected for the cost model for bank premises and revaluation model for investment properties under IFRSs and CASs. Therefore, adjustments have been made to the carrying value of bank premises as well as to re-calculate the depreciation charge and disposal gain/loss under IFRSs and CASs, including the gain on disposal of discontinued operations.

### Deferred tax adjustments

These represent the deferred tax effect of the aforesaid adjustments.

### Profit after tax/net assets reconciliation **HKFRSs vs IFRSs/CASs**

	Profit a	fter tax	Net assets	
	Half-year ended 30 June 2018 HK\$'m	Half-year ended 30 June 2017 HK\$'m	At 30 June 2018 HK\$'m	At 31 December 2017 HK\$'m
Profit after tax/net assets of BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Limited prepared under HKFRSs	17,878	17,873	252,325	248,623
Add: IFRSs/CASs adjustments Restatement of carrying value of bank premises	403	1,085	(35,232)	(34,213)
Deferred tax adjustments	(48)	(63)	6,001	5,827
Profit after tax/net assets of BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Limited				
prepared under IFRSs/CASs	18,233	18,895	223,094	220,237

## 13. Regulatory Disclosures

The Regulatory Disclosures, together with the disclosures in this Interim Report, contained all the disclosures required by the Banking (Disclosure) Rules issued by the HKMA. The Regulatory Disclosures is available under section "Regulatory Disclosures" on BOCHK's website at www.bochk.com.