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Statement on Phishing SMS Messages and Fraudulent Website

Bank of China (Hong Kong) ("BOCHK") would like to alert its customers and the general public to phishing SMS messages and fraudulent website, which purported to be from BOCHK. The fraudulent website address is as follows:

https://www.itsnbochk.com

In an attempt to mislead customers, the fraudulent website will appear under different domain names or with slight modifications or variations of the official BOCHK website address www.bochk.com by adding a combination of letters, numbers or symbols. The aforesaid phishing SMS messages and fraudulent website intend to steal customers' data, such as Internet Banking number/username, Internet Banking password and one-time password sent via SMS. BOCHK declares that it has no connection with the aforesaid phishing SMS messages and fraudulent website. Meanwhile, the case has been reported to the Hong Kong Monetary Authority and the Hong Kong Police Force.

When conducting transactions through electronic channels, customers are advised to access their Internet Banking or Mobile Banking accounts by typing the website address of BOCHK (www.bochk.com) directly into the browser address bar, or through the BOCHK Mobile Application downloaded from official App stores or reliable sources. Customers should not access such accounts or provide personal information (including passwords) through hyperlinks, QR codes or attachments embedded in SMS messages, e-mails or on websites. BOCHK will update the fraud alerts on the bank's website from time to time. For details, please http://www.bochk.com/en/aboutus/fraudalert.html. For visit more security information about BOCHK's electronic banking services, please visit http://www.bochk.com/en/security.html.

Anyone who has logged into the aforesaid fraudulent website and provided their information should immediately contact BOCHK Customer Service Hotline at (852) 3988 2388 (press 3, # and 2 after language selection).

Below are the screenshots of the fraudulent website (Chinese only):





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