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BOCHK wins three accolades in the 12th Asian Excellence Award by Corporate Governance Asia

Bank of China (Hong Kong) ("BOCHK") received three awards in the 12th Asian Excellence Award organised by *Corporate Governance Asia*, in recognition of its outstanding performance in driving ESG development in various aspects. The awards are "Asia's Best CSR", "Best Environmental Responsibility", and "Best Investor Relations".

Themed on "Leadership: Reigniting Asia", this year's Asian Excellence Award underscores the significance of a high standard of corporate governance and sound leadership towards reviving Asia's economics and uplifting communities that have been hit hard during the pandemic. *Corporate Governance Asia* said, "Since the pandemic outbreak, BOCHK has been helping its customers, employees and the communities to go through the hard times by implementing a series of innovative initiatives. The commitment of BOCHK in fulfilling corporate social responsibility, driving ESG development and environmental protection, implementing effective investor relations have made substantial contribution to the economic recovery of Asia."

Upholding its mission of "Bridge China and the World for the Common Good", BOCHK adopts a forward-looking approach by elevating sustainability to the long-term strategic level. The Bank supports community development and the underprivileged through a diverse range of moves, and strives to build a harmonious society. BOCHK has launched an array of anti-pandemic financial support initiatives since the pandemic outbreak. In response to the fifth wave of pandemic, the Bank has further strengthened its support to local SMEs by providing HK\$50 billion credit support to help different industries overcome challenges. The Bank also donated more than HK\$26 million to local charities to give full support to Hong Kong's all-out battle against the pandemic.

In addition, BOCHK strives to innovate various green finance products and services to support the nation's carbon neutrality goal. With the launch of the first green mortgage plan and ESG multi-asset retail fund with RMB share class in Hong Kong, BOCHK endeavours to promote the gradual low-carbon transition of the society. To embrace the concept of green banking, BOCHK has set five green operations goals and carries out various carbon reduction measures at its offices. BOCHK also manages its investor relations, interacts with investors through diverse channels, and facilitates timely and accurate disclosure of information on business performance and development trends, with the aim to continuously enhance its transparency.

Corporate Governance Asia is the one of the most renowned journals in the region on corporate governance. The Asian Excellence Award was launched in 2011 to honour companies with best performances in corporate governance, financial performance, corporate social responsibility, environment moves, and investor relations, as well as business leaders with significant accomplishment in corporate governance. Asian Excellence Award meticulously assesses



thousands of companies in Asia with quantitative gradings and investor interviews, and commends organisations with great contributions in the mentioned areas in the previous year.

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Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited

Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited ("BOCHK") is committed to pursuing its strategic goal to "Build a First-class Regional Banking Group" and promoting sustainable and high-quality development. Capitalising on its advantages as a major commercial banking group in Hong Kong, BOCHK continues to increase local market penetration, captures business opportunities in the Greater Bay Area and actively expands its business development in Southeast Asia. We strive to provide customers with comprehensive, professional and high-quality services. Entering a new era of smart banking, we endeavour to become a customer-centric digital bank by enhancing customer experience with innovative technology and offering intelligent products and services.

As one of the three note-issuing banks and the sole clearing bank for Renminbi ("RMB") business in Hong Kong, BOCHK has strong market positions in all major businesses. Our strong RMB franchise has made us the first choice for customers in RMB business. We have the most extensive branch network and diverse service platforms in Hong Kong, as well as efficient e-channels such as Internet and Mobile Banking services. We offer a comprehensive range of financial, investment and wealth management services to personal, corporate and institutional customers.

We are actively pushing forward our regional development and expanding our business in the Southeast Asian region. With our branches and subsidiaries in Thailand, Malaysia, Vietnam, the Philippines, Indonesia, Cambodia, Laos, Brunei and Myanmar, we support customers in the region with professional and high-quality financial services. Through close cooperation with our parent bank BOC, we provide a full range of high-quality cross-border services to multinationals, cross-border customers, mainland enterprises going global, central banks and super-sovereign organisations.

As a leading commercial and regional bank with deep roots in Hong Kong for over 100 years, BOCHK upholds its mission of "Bridge China and the World for the Common Good". We are committed to undertaking our corporate social responsibilities, promoting long-term and balanced sustainable development, and delivering greater value for our stakeholders and the community.

BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Limited is one of the largest listed companies on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong, with stock code "2388" and ADR OTC Symbol "BHKLY".