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## **SUSPENSION OF TRADING AND RESUMPTION OF TRADING**

At the request of Standard Chartered PLC (the "Company"), trading in its shares has been suspended with effect from 2.32 p.m. today, 24 November 2008, following the release of an announcement by the Company regarding a proposed rights issue. The suspension is to give shareholders and other investors enough time to digest the information. Trading in the Company's shares will resume in Hong Kong tomorrow, Tuesday 25 November 2008, at 9:30 a.m.

By order of the Board  
**Annemarie Durbin**  
Group Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 24 November 2008

As of the date hereof, the Board of Directors of Standard Chartered comprises:

*Chairman:*

Mr Evan Mervyn Davies, CBE

*Executive Directors:*

Mr Peter Alexander Sands; Mr Richard Henry Meddings; Mr Stefano Paolo Bertamini and Mr Gareth Richard Bullock;

*Independent Non-Executive Directors:*

Mr John Wilfred Peace (Deputy Chairman); Mr James Frederick Trevor Dundas; Ms Valerie Frances Gooding, CBE; Ms Ruth Markland; Mr Rudolph Harold Peter Markham; Mr Sunil Bharti Mittal; Mr John Gregor Hugh Paynter; Mr Paul David Skinner and Mr Oliver Henry James Stocken.