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中國工商銀行股份有限公司

INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED

(a joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1398)

ANNOUNCEMENT IN RELATION TO THE APPROVAL ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ABU DHABI BRANCH

The Abu Dhabi Branch of Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited (the “**Bank**”) received from the Central Bank of the United Arab Emirates a wholesale banking licence on 16 December 2009 (the local time of United Arab Emirates). The application for the establishment of the Abu Dhabi Branch by the Bank has already been approved by the China Banking Regulatory Commission.

**The Board of Directors of
Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited**

Beijing, PRC, 23 December 2009

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors comprises Mr. JIANG Jianqing, Mr. YANG Kaisheng, Mr. ZHANG Furong and Mr. NIU Ximing as executive directors, Mr. HUAN Huiwu, Mr. GAO Jianhong, Ms. LI Chunxiang, Mr. LI Jun, Mr. LI Xiwen and Mr. WEI Fusheng as non-executive directors, Mr. LEUNG Kam Chung, Antony, Mr. QIAN Yingyi, Mr. XU Shanda, Mr. WONG Kwong Shing, Frank, Sir Malcolm Christopher McCarthy and Mr. Kenneth Patrick Chung as independent non-executive directors.