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招商銀行股份有限公司

CHINA MERCHANTS BANK CO., LTD.

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

(Stock code: 3968)

INDICATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING THE CONVENING OF THE 2009 FIRST EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

This announcement is made pursuant to the disclosure requirements under Rule 13.09(2) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and the Articles of Association of China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd. (the "Company").

The Board of Directors of the Company and all directors hereby warrant that the contents of this announcement do not contain any false representation, misleading statement nor is there any material omission, and accept full responsibility, individually and jointly, for the authenticity, accuracy and completeness of the information contained in this announcement.

This announcement is published in accordance with Article 83 of the Articles of Association of the Company.

Article 83 of the Articles of Association of the Company provides: The Company shall, based on the written replies received twenty days before the date of the general meeting of shareholders, calculate the number of voting shares represented by the shareholders who intend to attend the meeting. If the number of voting shares represented by the shareholders who intend to attend the meeting amounts to not less than half of the Company's total voting shares, the Company may hold such a general meeting; if not, the Company shall within five days notify the shareholders by way of public announcement of the matters to be considered at, and the place and date of, the meeting. The Company may then hold the meeting after publication of such announcement. The relevant announcement shall be published in newspapers in compliance with the relevant requirements.

The number of voting shares represented by the shareholders who intend to attend the meeting is less than half of the Company's total voting shares, calculated based on the written replies received by the Company twenty days before the date of the 2009 First Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company. In accordance with Article 83 set out in the Articles of Association of the Company, details of the convening of the 2009 First Extraordinary General Meeting are set out as follows:

1. Date and time of the 2009 First Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company: 27 February 2009 (Friday) at 9:00 a.m.
2. Venue of the 2009 First Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company: Conference Room, 5/F, China Merchants Bank Tower, No. 7088 Shennan Boulevard, Shenzhen, the PRC.

3. For further details of the resolutions to be considered at the 2009 First Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company, please refer to the Notice of 2009 First Extraordinary General Meeting published by the Company on 12 January 2009.

The proxy form together with the power of attorney or other authorisation document(s) (if any) should be delivered by the shareholders of H Shares to the Company's H Share Registrar not less than 24 hours before the time designated for holding the 2009 First Extraordinary General Meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be). Completion and return of the proxy form will not preclude shareholders of H Shares from attending and voting in person at the meeting. The H Share Registrar of the Company is Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Rooms 1806-07, 18/F, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong.

By order of the Board of Directors of
China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd.
Qin Xiao
Chairman

10 February 2009

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Ma Weihua, Zhang Guanghua and Li Hao; the non-executive directors of the Company are Qin Xiao, Wei Jiafu, Fu Yunning, Li Yinquan, Hong Xiaoyuan, Ding An Hua Edward, Sun Yueying, Wang Daxiong and Fu Junyuan; and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Wu Jiesi, Yan Lan, Yi Xiqun, Chow Kwong Fai, Edward, Liu Yongzhang and Liu Hongxia.