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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: 03968)

**ANNOUNCEMENT IN RELATION TO THE APPROVAL OF
THE APPOINTMENT QUALIFICATION OF TANG XIAOQING AS THE
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT**

This announcement is made pursuant to the requirements of Rule 13.09(2) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

It was resolved at the 28th meeting of the 8th Session of the Board of Directors of China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd. (the "Company") that Mr. Tang Xiaoqing be appointed the Executive Vice President of the Company.

The Company has recently received the "Approval of Appointment Qualification of Tang Xiaoqing with China Merchants Bank" issued by the China Banking Regulatory Commission Shenzhen Office (Shen Yin Jian Fu [2012] No. 94) approving the appointment qualification of Mr. Tang Xiaoqing as the Executive Vice President of China Merchants Bank.

For the biographical details of Mr. Tang Xiaoqing, please refer to the 2011 Annual Report of the Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors
China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd.
Lan Qi Seng Sze Ka Mee Natalia
Joint Company Secretaries

20 April 2012

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 Fu Yuning, Wei Jiafu, Li Yinquan, Fu Gangfeng, Hong Xiaoyuan, Sun Yueying, Wang Daxiong and Fu Junyuan; and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Yi Xiqun, Wong Kwai Lam, Yan Lan, Chow Kwong Fai, Edward, Pan Yingli and Liu Hongxia.