

9 October 2012

HANG SENG BANK THIRD INTERIM DIVIDEND FOR 2012

The Board of Hang Seng Bank Limited has declared a third interim dividend in respect of the year ending 31 December 2012 of HK\$1.10 per share.

The Board of Directors of Hang Seng Bank Limited (the 'Bank') today declared a third interim dividend in respect of the year ending 31 December 2012 of HK\$1.10 per share, which will be payable on Tuesday, 13 November 2012, to shareholders whose names appear on the Register of Shareholders of the Bank on Friday, 26 October 2012.

The dividend as declared should not be taken as an indication of the level of profit or dividend for the full year of the Bank.

The results for the year ending 31 December 2012 are expected to be announced on Monday, 4 March 2013. It is intended that any fourth interim dividend for 2012 that is announced on that date would be payable on Wednesday, 3 April 2013 to shareholders whose names appear on the Register of Shareholders of the Bank on Wednesday, 20 March 2013.

Register of Shareholders

The Register of Shareholders of the Bank will be closed for one day on Friday, 26 October 2012, during which no transfer of shares can be registered. To qualify for the third interim dividend for 2012, all transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged with the Bank's Registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, for registration not later than 4:30pm on Thursday, 25 October 2012. Shares of the Bank will be traded ex-dividend as from Wednesday, 24 October 2012.

Directors

As at the date hereof, the Board of Directors of the Bank comprises Dr Raymond K F Ch'ien* (Chairman), Ms Rose W M Lee (Vice-Chairman and Chief Executive), Dr John C C Chan*, Dr Marvin K T Cheung*, Ms L Y Chiang*, Mr Andrew H C Fung, Ms Anita Y M Fung[#], Dr Fred Zulu Hu*, Mr Jenkin Hui*, Ms Sarah C Legg[#], Dr Eric K C Li*, Dr Vincent H S Lo[#], Mrs Dorothy K Y P Sit[#], Mr Richard Y S Tang*, Mr Peter T S Wong[#] and Mr Michael W K Wu*.

[#] *Non-executive Directors*

* *Independent Non-executive Directors*

By Order of the Board
C C Li
Secretary

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Note to editors:

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