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### **Fraudulent Website Notification**

**Hong Kong, 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2007** – The Bank of East Asia (“BEA”) would like to alert all customers and the general public that the BEA Group has no affiliation whatsoever with an Internet website operating under the URL [www.boeasiauk.com](http://www.boeasiauk.com).

All BEA Internet-based services may be accessed safely and securely through the Bank’s homepage at [www.hkbea.com](http://www.hkbea.com) (for customers in Hong Kong) or [www.hkbea.co.uk](http://www.hkbea.co.uk) (for customers in the UK).

BEA’s customers and members of the public are strongly advised to use a web address authorised by BEA when accessing the Bank’s services, and not to click on any URLs or hyperlinks embedded in email to access any of the Bank’s services. BEA never asks customers for their login information or passwords by email or phone.

BEA has reported the existence of the fraudulent website to the Hong Kong Police and the Hong Kong Monetary Authority, and will take any action deemed necessary and appropriate to protect the reputation of the Bank and the interests of its customers and the general public.

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