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**The Bank of East Asia Extends Service Hours**

**Hong Kong, 19 January 2004** – The Bank of East Asia (“BEA”) announces that all BEA branches in Hong Kong will extend the service hours to 7.00 pm on 20 January 2004 (Tuesday).

Starting from 21 January 2004 (Wednesday), service hours of BEA branches will resume normal.

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