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The Bank of East Asia, Limited

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability in 1918)
(Stock Code: 23)

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF NINETIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Reference is made to the notice of annual general meeting of The Bank of East Asia, Limited (the "Bank") dated 13th March, 2009 for the Ninetieth Annual General Meeting (the "AGM") to be held on Thursday, 16th April, 2009 which contains the resolutions to be considered before the AGM.

Since the Bank issued the notice of the AGM, the Bank has received a written notice from a shareholder of her intention to propose Mr. Kwok Siu Man for election as an independent non-executive director of the Bank. Notice in writing by Mr. Kwok Siu Man of his willingness to be so elected has also been received by the Bank. Accordingly, the Bank shall put forward before the AGM the additional resolution set out hereunder for approval by the shareholders.

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT at the AGM which will be held, as originally scheduled, in the Ballroom, JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong, Pacific Place, 88 Queensway Road, Hong Kong on Thursday, 16th April, 2009 at 10:30 a.m., it will consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution in addition to the resolutions set out in the previous notice of the AGM:

10. To appoint Mr. Kwok Siu Man as an independent non-executive director of the Bank, such appointment to be conditional upon the Bank receiving written consent from the Hong Kong Monetary Authority for Mr. Kwok Siu Man to act as a director of the Bank.

By Order of the Board
Molly HO Kam-lan
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 1st April, 2009

Notes:

- (a) *A supplemental proxy form in respect of the resolution no. 10 mentioned above is enclosed with this supplemental notice of the AGM.*
- (b) *Shareholders are reminded to read the previous notice of the AGM, including the notes to such notice, for details in respect of other resolutions to be passed at the AGM, eligibility for attending the AGM, proxy, registration procedures, closure of register of members and other relevant matters.*

As at the date of this notice, the Executive Directors of the Bank are: Dr. The Hon. Sir David LI Kwok-po (Chairman & Chief Executive) and Mr. Joseph PANG Yuk-wing; Non-executive Directors of the Bank are: Mr. Aubrey LI Kwok-sing, Professor Arthur LI Kwok-cheung, Dr. William MONG Man-wai, Tan Sri Dr. KHOO Kay-peng, Mr. Richard LI Tzar-kai, Mr. Eric LI Fook-chuen and Mr. Stephen Charles LI Kwok-sze; and Independent Non-executive Directors are: Mr. WONG Chung-hin, Dr. LEE Shau-kee, Dr. Allan WONG Chi-yun, Mr. Winston LO Yau-lai, Mr. Thomas KWOK Ping-kwong, Mr. Kenneth LO Chin-ming, Mr. William DOO Wai-hoi, Mr. KUOK Khoon-ean and Mr. Valiant CHEUNG Kin-piu.