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BEA 東亞銀行

The Bank of East Asia, Limited

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability in 1918)

(Stock Code: 23)

NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING

This is to announce that a meeting of the Board of Directors of The Bank of East Asia, Limited (the "Bank") will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, 17th February, 2009 at the registered office of the Bank, for the purpose of, among other matters, approving the publication of the final results for the year ended 31st December, 2008 and considering the payment of a final dividend.

For and on behalf of
The Bank of East Asia, Limited
Molly HO Kam-lan
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 4th February, 2009.

As at the date of this announcement, the Executive Directors of the Bank are: Dr. The Hon. Sir David LI Kwok-po (Chairman & Chief Executive) and Mr. Joseph PANG Yuk-wing (Deputy Chief Executive); 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; and 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.