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The Bank of East Asia, Limited

(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability in 1918)

(Stock Code: 23)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 30TH APRIL, 2013

- **POLL RESULTS**
- **RE-DESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR**

The Bank of East Asia, Limited (the “**Bank**”) is pleased to announce the following:

1. Results of the poll taken at the Annual General Meeting of the Bank held on 30th April, 2013 (the “**2013 AGM**”).
2. Re-designation of Tan Sri Dr. KHOO Kay-peng (“**Dr. Khoo**”) as an Independent Non-executive Director of the Bank with effect from the conclusion of the 2013 AGM.

POLL RESULTS

At the 2013 AGM, a poll was demanded by the Chairman for voting on all the proposed resolutions, as set out in the Notice of Annual General Meeting dated 27th March, 2013. All the resolutions were voted on by poll and were approved by shareholders of the Bank. The poll results in respect of the resolutions were as follows:

Resolutions		No. of Shares Voted (%)	
		For	Against
Ordinary Resolutions			
1.	To adopt the Audited Accounts and the Report of the Directors and the Independent Auditor’s Report for the year ended 31 st December, 2012.	1,678,208,076 (99.99%)	13,202 (0.01%)
	As more than 50% of the votes were cast in favour of the resolution, the resolution was carried.		
2.	To re-appoint KPMG as Auditors of the Bank and authorise the Directors to fix their remuneration.	1,675,994,142 (99.94%)	1,020,289 (0.06%)
	As more than 50% of the votes were cast in favour of the resolution, the resolution was carried.		

3a.	To re-elect Dr. the Hon. Sir David LI Kwok-po as a Director.	1,285,987,239 (95.09%)	66,350,474 (4.91%)
	As more than 50% of the votes were cast in favour of the resolution, the resolution was carried.		
3b.	To re-elect Dr. Allan WONG Chi-yun as a Director.	1,329,074,845 (98.28%)	23,261,332 (1.72%)
	As more than 50% of the votes were cast in favour of the resolution, the resolution was carried.		
3c.	To re-elect Mr. Aubrey LI Kwok-sing as a Director.	1,226,294,681 (91.80%)	109,541,387 (8.20%)
	As more than 50% of the votes were cast in favour of the resolution, the resolution was carried.		
3d.	To re-elect Mr. Winston LO Yau-lai as a Director.	1,216,586,197 (89.96%)	135,752,890 (10.04%)
	As more than 50% of the votes were cast in favour of the resolution, the resolution was carried.		
3e.	To re-elect Tan Sri Dr. KHOO Kay-peng as a Director.	1,309,947,013 (98.06%)	25,866,722 (1.94%)
	As more than 50% of the votes were cast in favour of the resolution, the resolution was carried.		
3f.	To re-elect Mr. Stephen Charles LI Kwok-sze as a Director.	1,347,353,601 (99.63%)	4,978,111 (0.37%)
	As more than 50% of the votes were cast in favour of the resolution, the resolution was carried.		
4.	Conditional on the passing of the above Resolution in item 3e, to approve the re-designation of Tan Sri Dr. KHOO Kay-peng as an Independent Non-executive Director of the Bank.	1,345,276,267 (80.16%)	332,922,545 (19.84%)
	As more than 50% of the votes were cast in favour of the resolution, the resolution was carried.		
5.	To grant a general mandate to the Directors to issue additional shares.	1,177,351,020 (70.25%)	498,683,144 (29.75%)
	As more than 50% of the votes were cast in favour of the resolution, the resolution was carried.		
6.	To grant a general mandate to the Directors to repurchase the Bank's own shares.	1,675,951,520 (99.99%)	64,074 (0.01%)
	As more than 50% of the votes were cast in favour of the resolution, the resolution was carried.		
7.	To extend the general mandate granted to the Directors pursuant to item 5.	1,175,393,935 (70.13%)	500,605,348 (29.87%)
	As more than 50% of the votes were cast in favour of the resolution, the resolution was carried.		

As at the date of the 2013 AGM, a total of 2,261,734,253 shares of the Bank were in issue, which was the total number of shares entitling the holders to attend and vote on all the resolutions at the 2013 AGM. There were no shares entitling the holders to attend and abstain from voting in favour of the resolutions at the 2013 AGM as set out in Rule 13.40 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Listing Rules**”) and no shareholder of the Bank was required under the Listing Rules to abstain from voting at the 2013 AGM.

No parties have stated their intention in the circular to the shareholders dated 27th March, 2013 containing the notice of the 2013 AGM to vote against or abstain from voting on any of the resolutions at the 2013 AGM.

KPMG (Certified Public Accountants), auditors of the Bank, acted as scrutineer for the vote-taking at the 2013 AGM. KPMG’s work was limited to certain procedures requested by the Bank to agree the poll results summary prepared by the Bank, to poll forms collected and provided by the Bank to KPMG. The work performed by KPMG in this respect did not constitute an assurance engagement made in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing, Hong Kong Standards on Review Engagements or Hong Kong Standards on Assurance Engagements nor did it include provision of any assurance or advice on matters of legal interpretation or entitlement to vote.

RE-DESIGNATION OF DIRECTOR

The Bank is also pleased to announce that Dr. Khoo has been re-designated as an Independent Non-executive Director of the Bank with effect from the conclusion of the 2013 AGM.

Dr. Khoo, *PSM, DPMJ, KMN, JP, Hon. DLitt, Hon. LLD, Hon. Ph.D*, aged 74, was appointed a Non-executive Director of the Bank in 2001. Dr. Khoo is the Chairman and Chief Executive of The MUI Group, a Malaysia-based corporation with diversified business operations in the Asia Pacific, the United States of America (“USA”) and the United Kingdom (“UK”). He is the Chairman and Chief Executive of Malayan United Industries Berhad and MUI Properties Berhad (both listed in Malaysia). Dr. Khoo is also the Chairman of Laura Ashley Holdings plc (listed in London) and Corus Hotels Limited in UK and Pan Malaysian Industries Berhad (listed in Malaysia). He is also a Non-executive Director of SCMP Group Limited. Save as disclosed, Dr. Khoo has not held any directorship in other listed public companies during the last three years.

Dr. Khoo is a Trustee of Regent University, Virginia, USA, and a Board Member of Northwest University, Seattle, USA. He also serves as a Council Member of the Malaysian-British Business Council, the Malaysia-China Business Council and the Asia Business Council. Previously, Dr. Khoo had served as the Chairman of Morning Star Resources Limited, the Malaysia Tourist Development Corporation (a Government Agency), the Vice Chairman of Malayan Banking Berhad (Maybank) and a Trustee of the National Welfare Foundation, Malaysia.

Save as disclosed, Dr. Khoo does not hold any position with the Bank and with other members of the Bank Group. Dr. Khoo has not entered into any service contract with the Bank.

Dr. Khoo is not or was not connected with any Directors, Senior Management and Substantial Shareholders of the Bank. As at the date of this announcement, the Bank does not have a controlling shareholder (as defined in the Listing Rules).

In accordance with the Articles of Association of the Bank, Dr. Khoo shall be eligible for re-election for a term of not more than approximately three years expiring at the conclusion of the annual general meeting of the Bank held in the third year following the year of his appointment and, on expiration of his term, he shall be deemed a retiring Director and eligible for re-appointment. The fees payable to the Directors are determined by the Board with reference to market trends. Dr. Khoo receives a director’s fee of HK\$260,000 per annum.

As at the date of this announcement, Dr. Khoo does not have any interests in the shares of the Bank within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

There is no information relating to Dr. Khoo that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rules 13.51(2) (h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

Save as disclosed above, there are no other matters relating to the re-designation of Dr. Khoo that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Bank.

The Bank would like to express its gratitude to Dr. Khoo for his contributions to the Bank during his tenure as a Non-executive Director, and also its warmest welcome to him upon assuming his new role on the Board.

For and on behalf of
The Bank of East Asia, Limited
Alson LAW Chun-tak
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 30th April, 2013

Following the conclusion of the 2013 AGM, the Board of Directors of the Bank comprises Dr. the Hon. Sir David LI Kwok-po (Chairman & Chief Executive), Professor Arthur LI Kwok-cheung (Deputy Chairman), Dr. Allan WONG Chi-yun** (Deputy Chairman), Mr. WONG Chung-hin**, Mr. Aubrey LI Kwok-sing*, Mr. Winston LO Yau-lai**, Tan Sri Dr. KHOO Kay-peng**, Dr. Thomas KWOK Ping-kwong**, Mr. Richard LI Tzar-kai*, Mr. Kenneth LO Chin-ming**, Mr. Eric LI Fook-chuen*, Mr. Stephen Charles LI Kwok-sze*, Mr. William DOO Wai-hoi**, Mr. KUOK Khoon-ean**, Mr. Valiant CHEUNG Kin-piu** and Dr. Isidro FAINÉ CASAS*.*

** Non-executive Directors*

*** Independent Non-executive Directors*