



FIRST INTERIM DIVIDEND FOR 2006

The Board of the Bank declared a first interim dividend in respect of the year ending 31 December 2006 of HK\$1.10 per share.

The Board of Directors of the Bank today declared a **first interim dividend** in respect of the year ending 31 December 2006 of HK\$1.10 per share, which will be payable on Tuesday, 6 June 2006, to shareholders on the Register of Shareholders as at Friday, 26 May 2006.

The dividend as declared should not be taken as an indication of the level of profit or dividend for the full year.

REGISTER OF SHAREHOLDERS

The Register of Shareholders of the Bank will be closed for one day on Friday, 26 May 2006, during which no transfer of shares can be registered. To qualify for the first interim dividend for 2006, all transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged with the Bank's Registrars, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Shops 1712-1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, for registration not later than 4:00 pm on Thursday, 25 May 2006.

RESULTS FOR FIRST HALF OF 2006

The results for the first half of 2006 will be announced on Monday, 31 July 2006.

PROPOSED TIMETABLES FOR THE SECOND, THIRD AND FOURTH INTERIM DIVIDENDS FOR 2006

The proposed timetables for the second, third and fourth interim dividends in respect of 2006 are:

Second interim dividend for 2006

Announcement	31 July 2006
Book close and record date	23 August 2006
Payment date	31 August 2006

Third interim dividend for 2006

Announcement	6 November 2006
Book close and record date	20 December 2006
Payment date	3 January 2007

Fourth interim dividend for 2006

Announcement	5 March 2007
Book close and record date	20 March 2007
Payment date	30 March 2007

DIRECTORS

As at the date hereof, the Board of Directors of the Bank comprises Mr Michael R P Smith* (Chairman), Mr Raymond C F Or (Vice-Chairman and Chief Executive), Mr John C C Chan#, Mr Patrick K W Chan, Dr Y T Cheng#, Dr Marvin K T Cheung#, Mr Jenkin Hui#, Mr Peter T C Lee#, Dr Eric K C Li#, Dr Vincent H S Lo*, Mr Joseph C Y Poon, Dr David W K Sin#, Mr Richard Y S Tang# and Mr Peter T S Wong*.

* Non-executive Director

Independent non-executive Director

By Order of the Board

C C Li

Secretary

Hong Kong, 2 May 2006

Hang Seng Bank Limited

Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability

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