



恒生銀行
HANG SENG BANK

(Stock code: 11)

CLARIFICATION ANNOUNCEMENT

The Bank refers to its
2005 Annual Results Announcement dated 6 March 2006.

Reference is made to the announcement dated 6 March 2006 of the results for the year ended 31 December 2005 (“2005 Annual Results Announcement”) of Hang Seng Bank Limited (the “Bank”).

In order to ascertain shareholders who may qualify for the fourth interim dividend of the Bank for the year ended 31 December 2005, the Bank’s register of shareholders will be closed on Tuesday 21 March 2006, during which no transfer of shares can be registered. The Directors of the Bank wish to clarify that there is an inadvertent typing error in the paragraph headed “REGISTER OF SHAREHOLDERS” and the latest time for the shareholders of the Bank to lodge all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates 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 should be **not later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, 20 March 2006**, instead of not later than 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, 16 March 2006.

Save for the above correction, the contents of the 2005 Annual Results Announcement remain the same.

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 S J Glass*, 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, 7 March 2006

Hang Seng Bank Limited

Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability

Registered Office and Head Office: 83 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong

Please also refer to the published version of this announcement in South China Morning Post.