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Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) Limited Appoints Jaspal Bindra as Non-executive Director

Hong Kong, 13 February 2008 – Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) Limited has appointed Jaspal Bindra as a Non-executive Director with effect from 13 February 2008.

Mr Bindra joined Standard Chartered Bank in 1998 and was appointed to the Standard Chartered Bank Court in August 2007. He is currently the Chief Executive Officer for Asia, involving responsibility for 19 countries in Asia including Hong Kong, China, Japan, India and Singapore (excluding Korea). He is additionally on the Boards of Standard Chartered Bank (Thai) PCL, Standard Chartered Bank (Taiwan) Limited and Standard Chartered Bank Malaysia Berhad.

Mr Bindra is also the Chairman of Standard Chartered Bank (Mauritius) Limited, SCOPE International Private Limited (India and Malaysia), and Prime Financial Holdings Limited. He is a qualified Chartered Accountant.

Sir CK Chow, Chairman of Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) Limited, said, "We are pleased to welcome Mr Bindra to our Board. With his solid experience in the banking industry, we are confident he will bring significant value to us. His addition will broaden the experience spectrum of the SCBHK Board and align the corporate governance priorities of the Group."

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