(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 388)

Appointment of Chairman Approved

Reference is made to the announcement of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited ("HKEx") dated 24 April 2012 in relation to the appointment of Sir C K Chow ("Sir C K") as the Chairman of the Board of Directors ("Chairman").

HKEx is pleased to announce that the Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region has, pursuant to Section 69 of the Securities and Futures Ordinance, today given his written approval of the appointment of Sir C K as the Chairman with immediate effect until the conclusion of HKEx's annual general meeting to be held in 2014.

Sir C K's biography is available on the HKEx website (www.hkex.com.hk).

By Order of the Board
Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited
Joseph Mau
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 27 April 2012

As at the date of this announcement, HKEx's Board of Directors comprises 12 Independent Non-executive Directors, namely Sir Chung Kong CHOW (Chairman), Mr Ronald Joseph ARCULLI, Mr CHAN Tze Ching, Ignatius, Mr Timothy George FRESHWATER, Mr John Barrie HARRISON, Mr HUI Chiu Chung, Stephen, Dr KWOK Chi Piu, Bill, Mr LEE Kwan Ho, Vincent Marshall, Mr LEE Tze Hau, Michael, Mr John Estmond STRICKLAND, Mr John Mackay McCulloch WILLIAMSON and Mr WONG Sai Hung, Oscar, and one Executive Director, Mr LI Xiaojia, Charles, who is also HKEx's Chief Executive.