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## **Appointment of Group Chief Financial Officer**

Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited ("HKEx") is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Paul Michael Kennedy ("Mr Kennedy") as the Group Chief Financial Officer effective 8 May 2013. Mr Kennedy will report to HKEx's Chief Executive and be a member of HKEx's Management Committee. As the Group Chief Financial Officer, Mr Kennedy will head the Finance Division and assume full responsibility for the financial and treasury functions of the HKEx group. Mr Kennedy's brief biography is set out herein below.

Mr Kennedy, aged 55, has over 30 years of experience in the financial services industry. He has spent most of his career in Asia, including over 15 years as a financial services partner with KPMG both in Hong Kong and as Managing Partner of KPMG's Shanghai office from 2000 until 2005. From 2006 until 2010, Mr Kennedy served as Chief Operating Officer of the Securities and Futures Commission and subsequently worked as a Managing Director within HSBC Hong Kong's Global Banking Division. Most recently, since November 2012, Mr Kennedy has been serving as a Special Adviser to HKEx's Chief Executive with a focus on financial matters, including the integration of London Metal Exchange.

Mr Kennedy holds a Bachelor of Arts in Accounting and Financial Administration from the University of Bangor in the United Kingdom. He is a Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Mr Kennedy was selected through an open recruitment process by a selection panel of Independent Non-executive Directors.

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

Hong Kong, 8 May 2013

As at the date of this announcement, HKEx's Board of Directors comprises 12 Independent Non-executive Directors, namely Mr CHOW Chung Kong (Chairman), 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, Mrs LEUNG Ko May Yee, Margaret, 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.