

COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

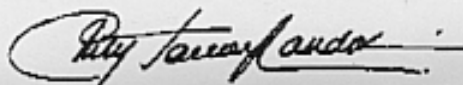
The following is a Company Announcement by HSBC Bank Malta p.l.c. pursuant to Malta Stock Exchange Bye-Law 6.05.05(i):

Quote:

The Board of Directors of HSBC Bank Malta p.l.c. is scheduled to meet on Friday 15 February 2002 to:

- (i) consider and approve the Group's and the Bank's Final Audited Accounts for the financial year ended 31 December 2001;
- (ii) consider declaration of a final dividend to be recommended to the Bank's Annual General Meeting.

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