



COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

The following is a company announcement issued by HSBC Bank Malta p.l.c. pursuant to Malta Stock Exchange Bye-Law 6.05.04(iv):

Quote

Mr. Timothy Fitzpatrick has been appointed Chief Operating Officer of HSBC Bank Malta p.l.c. with effect from 4 October 2002.

Unquote

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Philip Farrugia Randon".

Dr Philip Farrugia Randon LL.D.KM
Company Secretary

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