



***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. Dyfrig Dafydd Joseff John has been appointed Director pursuant to the Company's Memorandum & Articles of Association with effect from 3 January 2003.

***Unquote***

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

**Dr Philip Farrugia Randon LL.D.KM**  
**Company Secretary**

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