

COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

The following is a Company Announcement by HSBC Bank Malta p.l.c. pursuant to Malta Financial Services Authority Listing Rule 8.7.17 and 8.7.19:

Quote:

The following resolutions are being presented for consideration at the Annual General Meeting of HSBC Bank Malta p.l.c. to be held on Thursday 19 April 2007.

- 1. To receive and approve the audited accounts for the year ended 31 December 2006 and to consider the Directors' and Auditors' report thereon.
- 2. To declare a final gross dividend of 10.6 cents per share representing a final gross payment of Lm 30,935,040 as recommended by the Board of Directors.
- 3. To re-appoint the auditors KPMG and to authorise the Board of Directors to fix their remuneration.
- 4. To establish the maximum annual aggregate emoluments of the Directors at Lm70,000.
- 5. To appoint and elect Directors.

Extraordinary Resolution:

6. To amend the Memorandum of Association by substituting the present clause 4(i)(k):

"k) to carry on the business of insurance in all its forms and aspects, whether as principal, agent, or in any other capacity",

by the proposed

"k) to act as a tied insurance intermediary in terms of the Insurance Intermediaries Act (Cap 487)".

Furthermore, the present proviso to clause 4 which presently reads as:

"Nothing in the foregoing shall be construed as empowering or enabling the Company to carry out any activity or service which requires a licence or is otherwise regulated under the Investment Services Act and the Insurance Business Act without a licence or other appropriate authorization from the relevant competent authority".

is to be substituted by the proposed:

"Nothing in the foregoing shall be construed as empowering or enabling the company to carry out any activity or service which requires a licence or is otherwise regulated under the Investment Services Act 1994 and the Insurance Business Act (Cap. 403) and the Insurance Intermediaries Act (Cap. 487) without a licence or other appropriate authorization from the relevant Competent Authority.

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The exercise by the company of the foregoing objects and powers is subject to such prohibitions and restrictions as are provided by and under the mandatory provisions of any law in force for the time being including the Companies Act 1995 and the Insurance Business Act (Cap. 403) and the Insurance Intermediaries Act (Cap. 487) and of any regulations or insurance rules or insurance intermediaries rules issued thereunder and any amendment, modification or substitution of any such laws, regulations and rules".

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Company Secretary

2 April 2007