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**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(rv):

Quote

Mr Anthony Mahoney has been appointed Area Manager - Bristol (UK) of HSBC Bank p.l.c. and therefore will no longer retain his post as Chief Operating Officer of HSBC Bank Malta p.l.c.

M: Mahoney will commence his new role on Monday 7 February 2000.

Unquote

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

Dr. Philip Farrugia Randon LL.D.
Company Secretary

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