

COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT

The following is a Company Announcement by HSBC Bank Malta p.l.c. pursuant to Malta Stock Exchange Bye-Laws 6.05.04 (v):

Quote:

HSBC Bank Malta p.l.c. acquired the following shareholding interests from HSBC Finance (Malta) Ltd which is presently being wound up in terms of a notice of dissolution dated 31 December 2000:

9375 ordinary shares (12.5%) of Lm1 each in Nucleus Training International Ltd;
4000 ordinary shares (33.3%) of Lm100 each in Maltese Falcon Productions p.l.c.;
163,000 ordinary B shares (0.9%) of Lm1 each in Cities Entertainment Ltd.

Unquote



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