



**OVERSEA-CHINESE BANKING CORPORATION LIMITED**

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)  
(Company Registration Number: 193200032W)

**SUB-DIVISION OF EACH ORDINARY SHARE OF PAR VALUE S\$1.00 IN THE  
CAPITAL OF OVERSEA-CHINESE BANKING CORPORATION LIMITED  
INTO TWO ORDINARY SHARES OF PAR VALUE S\$0.50 EACH**

**1. NOTICE OF BOOKS CLOSURE**

1.1 **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Transfer Books and the Register of Stockholders of Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited (“**OCBC Bank**”) will be closed at 5.00 p.m. on 5 August 2005 (the “**Books Closure Date**”) up to and including 10 August 2005 (both dates inclusive) for the purpose of determining the entitlements of stockholders of OCBC Bank (“**Stockholders**”) under the sub-division (“**Sub-Division**”) of each ordinary share of par value S\$1.00 in the capital of OCBC Bank into two ordinary shares of par value S\$0.50 each (the “**Sub-Divided Shares**”).

1.2 **Entitlements as at Books Closure Date.** Stockholders who hold physical share certificates not deposited with The Central Depository (Pte) Limited (“**Scripholders**”) and Stockholders holding Stock Units in their securities accounts with The Central Depository (Pte) Limited (“**Depositors**”) as at 5.00 p.m. on the Books Closure Date will be entitled to the Sub-Division, on the basis of the number of Stock Units held as at the Books Closure Date.

1.3 **Scripholders.** Scripholders who hold share certificates for Stock Units not in their own names and who wish to transfer such certificates in their own names in order to be entitled for the Sub-Division must submit their duly completed and stamped transfer forms together with the share certificates to OCBC Bank’s Share Registrar, M & C Services Private Limited, at 138 Robinson Road #17-00, The Corporate Office, Singapore 068906 by 5.00 p.m. on the Books Closure Date, failing which the new share certificates will be sent to the names appearing on the original share certificates.

1.4 **Definition.** For the purpose of this Announcement, the term “**Stock Units**” refers to the ordinary stock units of S\$1.00 each in the capital of OCBC Bank and after the Sub-Division, ordinary stock units of S\$0.50 each in the capital of OCBC Bank.

**2. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES FOR THE SUB-DIVISION**

2.1 **Depositors.** In respect of Depositors with Stock Units standing to the credit of their securities accounts with The Central Depository (Pte) Limited (“**CDP**”) as at the

Books Closure Date, **no further action** needs to be taken. Please refer to section 2.3(c) below.

- 2.2 **Scripholders.** Scripholders who wish to deposit their Stock Units with CDP prior to the Books Closure Date for the purpose of the Sub-Division must deposit their existing share certificates together with the duly executed instruments of transfer in favour of CDP, not later than 5.00 p.m. on 29 July 2005, being five market days prior to the Books Closure Date. CDP will not accept the old share certificates in respect of Stock Units for deposit after 29 July 2005 for the purpose of the Sub-Division.
- 2.3 **Issue of New Share Certificates relating to the Sub-Division.** The following sets out the administrative procedures which OCBC Bank will adopt to facilitate the issue of new share certificates arising from the Sub-Division:
- (a) **Cancellation of Old Share Certificates.** OCBC Bank will cancel all old share certificates relating to the Stock Units in issue as at the Books Closure Date. Upon the cancellation, OCBC Bank will issue to Scripholders new share certificates in respect of the number of Sub-Divided Shares to be held by such Scripholders pursuant to the Sub-Division.
  - (b) **Deposit of Share Certificates with CDP.** In respect of Scripholders who have deposited their old share certificates with CDP no later than 5.00 p.m. on 29 July 2005, being five market days prior to the Books Closure Date, arrangements will be made by OCBC Bank with CDP for the new share certificates in respect of the Sub-Divided Shares attributable to such Stockholders to be issued to CDP.
  - (c) **Depositors.** In respect of Depositors with Stock Units standing to the credit of their securities accounts with CDP as at the Books Closure Date, no further action needs to be taken as arrangements will be made by OCBC Bank with CDP for all the old share certificates issued in the name of CDP or its nominee as at the Books Closure Date to be cancelled, and for the new share certificates in respect of the Sub-Divided Shares attributable to such Stockholders to be issued to CDP or its nominee and deposited with CDP.
  - (d) **Scripholders.** To facilitate the cancellation of the old share certificates, Scripholders are encouraged to return to OCBC Bank's Share Registrar their old share certificates in respect of such Stock Units at their earliest convenience.

However, whether or not the old share certificates in respect of such Stock Units are returned to OCBC Bank's Share Registrar, the old share certificates shall be cancelled and new share certificates will be issued to such Stockholders in respect of the Sub-Divided Shares attributable to such Stockholders. The new share certificates will be sent to them at their own risk by registered post within ten market days from the Books Closure Date.

Where the Stock Units are registered jointly in the names of several persons, the new share certificates in respect of the Sub-Divided Shares shall be sent to the person whose name stands first in the Register of Stockholders.

Stockholders who wish to record any change in their registered address should notify OCBC Bank's Share Registrar before the Books Closure Date.

- (e) **Validity of old share certificates.** Upon cancellation, the old share certificates shall be void and cease to have any effect or be valid for any purpose.

### 3. TRADING OF THE SUB-DIVIDED SHARES

The last day for trading of the Stock Units of S\$1.00 each will be 2 August 2005 and trading of the Sub-Divided Shares will commence with effect from 9.00 a.m. on 3 August 2005.

### 4. IMPORTANT EVENTS AND DATES

Stockholders should note the following events and dates:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>
Last day to deposit old share certificates with CDP (for Scripholders)	: 29 July 2005
Last day for the trading of Stock Units of S\$1.00 each	: 2 August 2005
First day for the trading of Stock Units of S\$0.50 each	: 3 August 2005 at 9.00 a.m.
Books Closure Date	: 5 August 2005 at 5.00 p.m.

Issued by  
**OVERSEA-CHINESE BANKING CORPORATION LIMITED**

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Singapore  
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