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The HSBC China Fund Limited

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## Announcement

Recommendation of a special dividend in specie postponed

The Board of Directors of The HSBC China Fund Limited announces that, at the Directors' meeting on 30 April 2002, held for the purpose of considering a recommendation of a special dividend in specie, it was decided that no formal recommendation be put to the shareholders of the Company as at that date. Consideration of the recommendation was postponed to a future board meeting at which further details of the Company's investments are available.

By order of the Board GRAshford Company Secretary 6 May 2002

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