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RESTORATION OF PUBLIC FLOAT AND RESUMPTION OF TRADING

Reference is made to: (i) the composite offer and response document dated 15 January 2014 (the “**Composite Document**”) jointly issued by Yue Xiu Enterprises (Holdings) Limited, Yuexiu Financial Holdings Limited and Chong Hing Bank Limited (“**CHB**”); (ii) the announcement of CHB dated 6 February 2014 in relation to the suspension of trading (the “**Suspension of Trading Announcement**”); and (iii) the announcement of CHB dated 26 February 2014 in relation to, amongst other things, CHB’s final results in 2013 (the “**Results Announcement**”). Unless the context requires otherwise, capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as defined in the Composite Document.

Upon settlement of the Partial Offer on 14 February 2014, Yuexiu Financial Holdings Limited acquired a total of 326,250,000 shares in the capital of CHB, and LCH Estate held 50,408,418 shares in the capital of CHB and therefore continued to be a substantial shareholder and connected person (as defined in Chapter 1 of the Listing Rules) of CHB. As a result, the public float of CHB fell to approximately 13% which is below the minimum public float requirement under Rule 8.08(1)(a) of the Listing Rules. At the request of CHB, trading in the shares (stock code: 1111) and debt securities (stock code: 4327) of CHB on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“**Stock Exchange**”) was suspended with effect from 9:00 a.m. on 6 February 2014.

As disclosed in the Results Announcement, CHB applied for and the Stock Exchange subsequently granted a waiver from strict compliance with the public float requirement under Rule 8.08(1)(a) of the Listing Rules for a three-month period from 5 February 2014 to 5 May 2014 (both days inclusive).

On 30 April 2014, qualifying shareholders in Liu Chong Hing Investment Limited became registered shareholders of the shares in the capital of CHB distributed pursuant to the LCHI Distribution in Specie. Immediately after completion of the LCHI Distribution in Specie, LCH Estate held 12,550,074 shares in the capital of CHB (representing approximately 2.89% of the issued share capital of the CHB) and has ceased to be a substantial shareholder or connected person of the CHB. Accordingly, the public float of the CHB has been restored to 25.0%, thereby fulfilling the requirement of Rule 8.08(1)(a) of the Listing Rules.

Application has been made to the Stock Exchange for the resumption of trading in the shares (stock code: 1111) and debt securities (stock code: 4327) of CHB on the Stock Exchange with effect from 9:00 a.m. on 7 May 2014 following the publication of this announcement.

Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited has been appointed to act as the matching agent in order to facilitate the trading of odd lots of CHB Shares arising from the LCHI Distribution in Specie for the period from 7 May 2014 to 18 June 2014 (both days inclusive). All share certificates of CHB Shares distributed under the LCHI Distribution in Specie were despatched by first class postage on 3 May 2014. Holders of odd lots of CHB Shares who wish to take advantage of this facility either to dispose of their odd lots of CHB Shares or to top up such odd lots to a full board lot may, directly or through their brokers, contact Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited whose address is at 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong (contact person: Ms Fiona Chu; telephone number: +852 2862 8564) during this period. Holders of odd lots of CHB Shares should note that successful matching of the sale and purchase of odd lots of CHB Shares is not guaranteed. Any CHB Shareholder who is in any doubt about the odd lot facility is recommended to consult his / her / its own professional advisers.

By Order of the Board
Chong Hing Bank Limited
Michael K W Yeung
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 5 May 2014

As of the date of this announcement:

- *the three Executive Directors of CHB are Mrs Leung Ko May Yee Margaret (Deputy Chairman and Managing Director), Mr Lau Wai Man (Chief Executive Officer) and Mr Don Tit Shing Liu (Deputy Chief Executive Officer);*
- *the five Non-executive Directors are Mr Zhang Zhaoxing (Chairman), Mr Zhu Chunxiu, Mr Wang Shuhui, Mr Li Feng and Mr Alfred Cheuk Yu Chow; and*
- *the four Independent Non-executive Directors are Mr Wanchai Chiranakhorn, Mr Cheng Yuk Wo, Mr Andrew Chiu Cheung Ma and Mr Lee Ka Lun.*