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10 February 2023

First Abu Dhabi Bank PJSC

CLARIFICATION ANNOUNCEMENT IN RELATION TO A POSSIBLE OFFER FOR STANDARD CHARTERED PLC

First Abu Dhabi Bank PJSC (“**First Abu Dhabi Bank**”) announced on 5 January 2023 that it had previously been at the very early stages of evaluating a possible offer for Standard Chartered PLC (“**Standard Chartered**”, or the “**Company**”), but was no longer doing so.

First Abu Dhabi Bank PJSC notes the recent press speculation in relation to Standard Chartered and re-iterates that it is not evaluating a possible offer for Standard Chartered. Accordingly, First Abu Dhabi Bank, and any person acting in concert with it, is bound by the restrictions under Rule 2.8 of the UK Code and Rule 31.1(c) of the Hong Kong Code on Takeovers and Mergers (the “**HK Code**”).

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- (d) if there has been a material change of circumstances (as determined by the Panel on Takeovers and Mergers and the Takeovers Executive of the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong).

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By Order of the Board of
First Abu Dhabi Bank PJSC
Hana Al Rostamani
 CEO

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