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TRADING HALT

At the request of The Hong Kong Building and Loan Agency Limited (the "Company"), trading in its shares on the Stock Exchange has been halted with effect from 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 27 February 2013 pending the release of an announcement in relation to the proposed placing of convertible bonds under specific mandate which constitute inside information.

> By Order of the Board **The Hong Kong Building and Loan Agency Limited So Yuen Chun** *Executive Director*

Hong Kong, 27 February 2013

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. So Yuen Chun and Mr. Yeung Kwok Leung being executive directors of the Company; Mr. Lam Kwok Hing, Wilfred being non-executive director of the Company; and Mr. Yeung Wai Hung, Peter, Mr. Lam Raymond Shiu Cheung and Ms. Yuen Wai Man being independent non-executive directors of the Company.