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ANNOUNCEMENT

CESSATION OF BUSINESS OF WHOLLY-OWNED HONG KONG SUBSIDIARY

Singapore, 2 August 2012 - United Overseas Insurance Limited ("UOI") wishes to announce that UOI's wholly-owned Hong Kong subsidiary, UOB Insurance (H.K.) Limited ("UOBIHK") will stop writing new and renewal insurance business with effect from 1 September 2012.

UOI has arranged for the existing insurance business portfolio of UOBIHK ("Insurance Business") to be transferred to Asia Insurance Company Limited, another Hong Kong insurer ("Insurer") with effect from 1 September 2012. By way of a separate reinsurance arrangement, the Insurer will undertake to cede a substantial amount of the Insurance Business to UOI.

The arrangement with the Insurer will also involve a transfer of UOBIHK's insurance liabilities to the Insurer, subject to approval of the Hong Kong Insurance Authority, at a consideration to be determined at a later stage.

The cessation of business of UOBIHK is not expected to have any material impact on UOI's financial position. It will improve the efficiency of the UOI Group's capital utilization and cost management.

Mrs Vivien Chan Company Secretary