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中國銀行股份有限公司
BANK OF CHINA LIMITED

(a joint stock company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)
(the "Bank")

(Stock Code: 3988 and 4619 (Preference Shares))

Indicative Announcement regarding the Convening of the 2021 First Extraordinary General Meeting

The Bank published the Notice of the 2021 First Extraordinary General Meeting on 3 December 2020 and the Announcement of Change of the Time of the 2021 First Extraordinary General Meeting on 12 January 2021 in relation to the holding of the 2021 First Extraordinary General Meeting (the "EGM") at Bank of China Head Office Building, No.1 Fuxingmen Nei Dajie, Xicheng District, Beijing, China at 4:30 p.m. on 18 January 2021. Please refer to the relevant announcements of the Bank published on the websites of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (www.hkexnews.hk) and the Bank (www.boc.cn).

The Bank hereby announces that in order to implement the requirements for the prevention and control work of the COVID-19 pandemic of governments at all levels, prevent crowds from gathering, protect the physical wellness of the shareholders and attendees of the Meeting and safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of all shareholders, reminders for relevant matters of the Meeting are hereby provided below:

1. The EGM will provide online voting in terms of the mechanism for voting at the Meeting (applicable to holders of A Shares). It is recommended that holders of A Shares to choose to appoint the chairman of the Meeting or the secretary to the Board of Directors as proxies to vote on their behalf, or to vote by way of online voting; it is recommended that holders of H Shares to choose to appoint the chairman of the Meeting as proxies to vote on their behalf.
2. In accordance with Beijing's COVID-19 prevention and control policies, shareholders from mid or high risk areas should vote by way of online voting (applicable to holders of A Shares) or appointing proxies on their behalf (applicable to holders of A Shares and holders of H Shares). Shareholders from non mid or high risk areas should refrain from attending the Meeting onsite if not absolutely necessary. It is recommended to vote by way of online voting or appointing proxies on their behalf.

3. Shareholders who satisfy the condition of attending the Meeting in person must wear masks, take temperature check, show Beijing Jiankangbao and fully and accurately register relevant personal information in accordance with the regulations if attending the Meeting in person. Since the current COVID-19 prevention and control situation is constantly changing, the COVID-19 prevention and control policies are still being dynamically adjusted accordingly. It is suggested that shareholders who attend the Meeting in person to carry the COVID-19 nucleic acid test report issued within 7 days. Please wear masks during the whole process and keep necessary distance according to the arrangements of the Meeting.

Shareholders who fail to comply with COVID-19 prevention and control policies shall be prevented from entering the EGM venue. However, such shareholders may still vote by way of online voting (applicable to holders of A Shares) or appointing proxies on their behalf (applicable to holders of A Shares and H Shares).

**The Board of Directors of
Bank of China Limited**

Beijing, PRC
14 January 2021

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of the Bank are: Liu Liange, Wang Jiang, Wang Wei, Lin Jingzhen, Zhao Jie, Xiao Lihong*, Wang Xiaoya*, Zhang Jiangang*, Chen Jianbo*, Wang Changyun#, Angela Chao#, Jiang Guohua#, Martin Cheung Kong Liao#, Chen Chunhua# and Chui Sai Peng Jose#.*

* *Non-executive Directors*

Independent Non-executive Directors