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中原銀行股份有限公司*
ZHONGYUAN BANK CO., LTD.*

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

(Stock Code of H Shares: 1216)

(Stock Code of Preference Shares: 4617)

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

On April 14, 2023, the board of directors (the “**Board**”) of Zhongyuan Bank Co., Ltd. (the “**Bank**”) considered and approved the proposed appointment of Mr. Guo Hao (郭浩) as an executive Director of the second session of the Board (the “**Proposed Appointment**”). The Proposed Appointment is subject to the approval by the shareholders (the “**Shareholders**”) of the Bank at the forthcoming extraordinary general meeting of the Bank (the “**EGM**”) and the approval of his qualification by the relevant banking regulatory authorities in the PRC.

Details of the biographies of Mr. Guo Hao are as follows:

Mr. Guo Hao, aged 48, Chinese nationality, obtained a doctoral degree of economics. He was the representative of the 13th National People's Congress and is the representative of the 14th National People's Congress, member of the 11th Henan Provincial Committee of the Communist Party of China. He is currently the secretary of the party committee of the Bank.

From March 2023 to April 2023, Mr. Guo Hao served as the deputy secretary of the party committee and candidate for director of the Henan Provincial Financial Supervision and Administration. From November 2017 to March 2023, he served as the deputy secretary of the Hebi Municipal Committee, acting mayor and mayor of Hebi city, Henan Province. From August 2016 to November 2017, he served as the deputy secretary-general of the Henan Provincial Government, member of the party leadership group of the general office of the Henan Provincial Government, secretary of the party leadership group and director of the research office of the Henan Provincial Government. From September 2013 to August 2016, he served as the deputy secretary-general of the Henan Provincial Government and member of the party leadership group of the general office of the Henan Provincial Government. From February 2009 to September 2013, he served as a member of the party leadership group and the deputy director of the financial services office of the Henan Provincial Government. From October 2008 to February 2009, he served as a member of the party committee and deputy director of the Henan Rural Credit Cooperatives Union. From April 2004 to October 2008, he successively served as the deputy director and director of Financial Work Committee of Beijing Municipal Committee (Financial Work Office of Beijing Municipal Government), Beijing State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission, Beijing Municipal Development and Reform Commission (Beijing Municipal Financial Services Leading Group Office). From July 1999 to April 2004, he worked at the head office of the China Development Bank.

Mr. Guo Hao obtained a bachelor's degree in finance from School of Finance of Renmin University of China in September 1996, a master's degree in finance from School of Finance of Renmin University of China in July 1999, and a doctoral degree of economics in finance from School of Finance of Renmin University of China in July 2003.

The Bank will enter into a service contract with Mr. Guo Hao. The term of office of Mr. Guo Hao will commence from the date of approval by the Shareholders at the EGM and approval by the relevant banking regulatory authorities in the PRC to the expiry date of the second session of the Board, subject to re-election upon the expiry of his term of office. The Bank will determine the remuneration package of Mr. Guo Hao in accordance with the applicable laws, regulations and regulatory requirements as well as the relevant remuneration policies of the Bank, and will make appropriate disclosure in accordance with the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Listing Rules**").

Save as disclosed above, Mr. Guo Hao does not (i) hold any directorship in any other listed companies or any other position in any affiliated companies of the Bank in the past three years; (ii) have any relationship with any other Director, supervisor, senior management or substantial Shareholder of the Bank; or (iii) have any equity interest in the Bank within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

Save as disclosed herein, there is no other matter relating to the appointment of Mr. Guo Hao that needs to be brought to the attention of the Shareholders, and there is no other information that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

The above resolution is subject to consideration and approval at the EGM by way of ordinary resolution.

A circular containing, among other things, detailed information of the aforementioned Proposed Appointment will be despatched to the Shareholders in due course.

By Order of the Board
Zhongyuan Bank Co., Ltd.*
WANG Jiong
Vice Chairman

Zhengzhou, the People's Republic of China
April 14, 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. WANG Jiong and Mr. LI Yulin as executive Directors; Ms. ZHANG Qiuyun and Mr. MI Hongjun as non-executive Directors; Ms. PANG Hong, Mr. LI Hongchang, Mr. JIA Tingyu and Mr. CHAN Ngai Sang Kenny as independent non-executive Directors.

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