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## Amendments to the Main Board Listing Rules and the GEM Listing Rules

Amendments have been made in the Main Board Listing Rules and the GEM Listing Rules in connection with the appointment of the Chief Executive of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited as an ex officio member of the Listing Committee of the Exchange and the GEM Listing Committee.

The rule changes will come into effect on 24 July 2000.

The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong wishes to announce that amendments have been made in Chapters 2A and 2B of the Main Board Listing Rules and Chapters 3 and 4 of the GEM Listing Rules (collectively, the "Relevant Chapters") in connection with the appointment of the Chief Executive of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited ("HKEx") as an ex officio member of both the Listing Committee of the Exchange and the GEM Listing Committee.

The amended Relevant Chapters provide, among other things, for the Chief Executive of HKEx to be an ex officio member of both the Listing Committee of the Exchange and the GEM Listing Committee and, in his absence or if he so directs in any particular case, the Chief Executive of the Exchange to act as his alternate.

The rule changes will come into effect on 24 July 2000. Re-printed pages of the Main Board Listing Rules and the GEM Listing Rules will be distributed in due course.

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