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中国农业银行

AGRICULTURAL BANK OF CHINA

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中國農業銀行股份有限公司

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

(Stock Code: 1288)

CHANGE IN ASSISTANT TO COMPANY SECRETARY

Agricultural Bank of China Limited (the “**Bank**”) announces that Ms. Lau Yik Chi had resigned due to her personal reasons as the assistant to the Bank’s company secretary, Mr. Li Zhenjiang, with effect from 19 October 2011 and Ms. Ho Wing Chi, senior manager of KCS Hong Kong Limited has been appointed to replace Ms. Lau as the assistant to the Bank’s company secretary with effect from 20 October 2011.

Ms. Ho Wing Chi has over 15 years of experience in corporate secretarial services. She has extensive knowledge and experience in company management and compliance issues, corporate restructuring, development of trust and estate planning structures. She had worked in the corporate services division of a leading international audit firm and was responsible for provision of corporate secretarial and compliance services to a portfolio of clients from different industries and jurisdictions (including private and multinational listed companies). Ms. Ho holds a Bachelor’s degree and a Master’s degree in Laws, and is an associate member of the Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries and the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators in the United Kingdom.

The Bank would like to express its sincere gratitude to Ms. Lau for her contributions to the Bank during the tenure of her service and also extend its welcome to Ms. Ho’s joining.

The Bank has applied to The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited for, and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited has granted, a waiver from strict compliance with the requirements under Rules 8.17 and 19A.16 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited for the period from 20 October 2011 to 15 July 2013, on the condition that Mr. Li Zhenjiang as the Bank’s company secretary be assisted by Ms. Ho during such period.

Save as disclosed above, there are no other matters in relation to the resignation of Ms. Lau and the appointment of Ms. Ho that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Bank.

By order of the Board of Directors
Agricultural Bank of China Limited
Xiang Junbo
Chairman

Beijing, PRC, 20 October 2011

As at the date of this announcement, our executive directors are Mr. XIANG Junbo, Mr. ZHANG Yun, Mr. YANG Kun and Mr. PAN Gongsheng; our non-executive directors are Mr. LIN Damao, Mr. ZHANG Guoming, Ms. XIN Baorong, Mr. SHEN Bingxi, Mr. CHENG Fengchao and Mr. LI Yelin, and our independent non-executive directors are Mr. Anthony WU Ting-yuk, Mr. QIU Dong, Mr. Frederick MA Si-Hang and Mr. WEN Tiejun.