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CHANGE OF NAMES OF SUBSIDIARIES

Dear Sir

We enclose a copy of our News Release dated 25 March 2003 in regard to the above matter for your information.

Yours faithfully for UNITED OVERSEAS BANK LIMITED

Leo Hee Wui

Assistant Secretary

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NEWS RELEASE

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Singapore, 25 March 2003 - United Overseas Bank Limited wishes to announce that two of its wholly-owned subsidiaries, United Overseas Bank Trustee Limited ("UOBT") and Overseas Union Bank Trustees Ltd ("OUBT") have changed their names to "UOBT (2003) Limited" and "United Overseas Bank Trustee Limited" respectively with effect from 14 March 2003.

Mrs √ivien Chan

Company Secretary