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STANDARD CHARTERED PLC

(渣打集團有限公司)

(於英格蘭及威爾士註冊，編號 966425)

(股份代號：02888)

**Standard Chartered PLC: Issue and listing of Indian Depository Receipts (“IDRs”)
in India**

Listing of underlying ordinary shares in London and Hong Kong

Application has been made to (i) the United Kingdom Listing Authority (“UKLA”) and the London Stock Exchange (“LSE”) for 24,000,000 ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each (the “Shares”) in the capital of Standard Chartered PLC (the “Company”) to be admitted to the Official List of the UKLA and to be traded on the main market of the LSE; and (ii) The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited for the listing of, and permission to deal in, the Shares (the “HK Listing”).

Admission to listing and trading in London will be effective on 7 June 2010 and the HK Listing will be effective on 8 June 2010. The IDRs are expected to be listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited by 11 June.

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