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STANDARD CHARTERED PLC

渣打集團有限公司

(Incorporated as a public limited company in England and Wales with registered number 966425)

(Stock Code: 02888)

Grant of Share Options

This announcement is made pursuant to Rule 17.06A of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

Standard Chartered PLC (the “Company”) announces that on 11 March 2013, Deferred Restricted Share Awards (“DRSA”), Performance Share Awards (“PSA”) and Restricted Share Awards (“RSA”) to acquire 536,197, 1,016,337 and 13,888 Ordinary shares of USD0.50 each in the capital of the Company respectively were granted to persons discharging managerial responsibilities/directors under the Company’s 2011 Standard Chartered Share Plan (the “2011 Plan”) at nil exercise price. On the same date, notional dividend arising from 2011 Deferred Restricted Share Scheme awards (“DRSS”) to acquire 14,763 Ordinary shares of USD0.50 each in the capital of the Company were granted to persons discharging managerial responsibilities/director under the Company’s 2006 Restricted Share Scheme (together the “Awards”). Amongst the Awards granted on 11 March 2013, those granted to the directors and chief executive were as follows:

Name of Grantee	Award type	Number of options granted
Sir John Peace	RSA	13,888
	DRSA	67,399
Peter Sands*	PSA	186,329
	DRSS	1,767
	DRSA	37,444
	PSA	104,308
Steve Bertamini	DRSS	858
	DRSA	46,216
	PSA	126,775
Richard Meddings	DRSS	1,211
	DRSA	192,570
	PSA	150,489
Mike Rees	DRSS	5,552
	DRSA	37,444
	PSA	100,742
Jaspal Bindra	DRSS	858
	DRSA	41,723
	PSA	106,983
Vis Shankar	DRSS	2,019

* Group chief executive

The closing market price of the Shares on the London Stock Exchange on the date of grant was £18.22.

The periods during which or dates which exercisable in respect of the Awards are:

- (i) DRSA – Under the 2011 Plan, the Deferred Restricted Share Award vests in three equal tranches on the first, second and third anniversary from the date of grant. The award must be exercised by 7th anniversary of the grant date;
- (ii) PSA – Under the 2011 Plan, the Performance Share Award vests on the third anniversary from the date of grant, subject to the satisfaction of three performance conditions. The award must be exercised by 10th anniversary of the grant date;
- (iii) RSA – Under the 2011 Plan, the Restricted Share Award vests 50% on the second anniversary and 50% on the third anniversary from the date of grant. The award must be exercised by 7th anniversary of the grant date;
- (iv) DRSS – Under the Company's 2006 Restricted Share Scheme deferred performance awards vest in three equal annual installments. Awards must be exercised by 7th anniversary of the grant date.

By Order of the Board
Annemarie Durbin
Group Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 13 March 2013

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors of Standard Chartered PLC comprises:

Chairman:

Sir John Wilfred Peace

Executive Directors:

Mr Peter Alexander Sands; Mr Stefano Paolo Bertamini; Mr Jaspal Singh Bindra; Mr Richard Henry Meddings; Mr Alun Michael Guest Rees and Mr Viswanathan Shankar

Independent Non-Executive Directors:

Mr Om Prakash Bhatt; Dr Louis Chi-Yan Cheung; Mr Richard Delbridge; Mr James Frederick Trevor Dundas; Mrs Margaret Ewing; Ms Valerie Frances Gooding, CBE; Dr Han Seung-soo, KBE; Mr Simon Jonathan Lowth; Mr Rudolph Harold Peter Markham (Senior Independent Director); Ms Ruth Markland; Mr John Gregor Hugh Paynter; Mr Paul David Skinner; Mr Oliver Henry James Stocken and Dr Lars Henrik Thunell