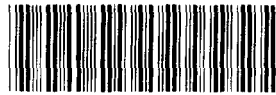




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Dear Sir

DE-LISTING TENDER OFFER FOR UNITED OVERSEAS BANK (THAI) PUBLIC COMPANY LIMITED

We enclose a copy of our announcement dated 16 March 2006 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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ANNOUNCEMENT

Singapore, 16 March 2006 – United Overseas Bank Limited (“UOB”) currently holds approximately 98.5% of its Thai banking subsidiary, United Overseas Bank (Thai) Public Company Limited (“UOBT”). The Stock Exchange of Thailand (“SET”) requires that a listed company must maintain no less than 150 minority shareholders with aggregate shareholding of no less than 15% of the paid-up capital of the company. As UOBT does not meet this free float requirement, UOBT has decided to apply to be de-listed from the SET. In conjunction with UOBT’s decision to de-list, UOB has served on UOBT a conditional de-listing tender offer for the remaining 121,206,456 shares in UOBT not held by it. Subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including approval by UOBT shareholders and Thai regulatory authorities, the offer price will be THB6.84 per share and the offer will be for a period of 45 business days.


Vivien Chan
Company Secretary