TENTATIVE SCHEDULE ON ISSUANCE OF EXCHANGE FUND BILLS AND NOTES (EFBNs) FROM JANUARY TO MARCH 2012¹

| ISSUE TYPES ² | TENTATIVE TENDER DATE (dd/mm/yyyy) | TENTATIVE ISSUE DATE (dd/mm/yyyy) | TENTATIVE TENDER SIZE (HK\$) |
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| JANUARY 2012 | | | |
| 92-DAY BILLS | 03/01/2012 | 04/01/2012 | about 27,473 mn ³ |
| 364-DAY BILLS | 03/01/2012 | 04/01/2012 | 1,300 mn |
| 91-DAY BILLS | 10/01/2012 | 11/01/2012 | about 27,305 mn ³ |
| 182-DAY BILLS | 10/01/2012 | 11/01/2012 | 9,000 mn |
| 91-DAY BILLS | 17/01/2012 | 18/01/2012 | about 25,220 mn ³ |
| 182-DAY BILLS | 17/01/2012 | 18/01/2012 | 9,000 mn |
| 90-DAY BILLS | 20/01/2012 | 26/01/2012 | about 26,410 mn ³ |
| 181-DAY BILLS | 20/01/2012 | 26/01/2012 | 9,000 mn |
| 91-DAY BILLS | 31/01/2012 | 01/02/2012 | about 26,564 mn ³ |
| 182-DAY BILLS | 31/01/2012 | 01/02/2012 | 9,000 mn |
| 364-DAY BILLS | 31/01/2012 | 01/02/2012 | 1,300 mn |
| FEBRUARY 2012 | | | |
| 91-DAY BILLS | 07/02/2012 | 08/02/2012 | about 27,690 mn ³ |
| 182-DAY BILLS | 07/02/2012 | 08/02/2012 | 9,000 mn |
| 91-DAY BILLS | 14/02/2012 | 15/02/2012 | about 25,644 mn ³ |
| 182-DAY BILLS | 14/02/2012 | 15/02/2012 | 9,000 mn |
| 2-YEAR NOTES | 16/02/2012 | 17/02/2012 | 1,200 mn |
| 91-DAY BILLS | 21/02/2012 | 22/02/2012 | about 25,285 mn ³ |
| 182-DAY BILLS | 21/02/2012 | 22/02/2012 | 8,000 mn |
| 15-YEAR NOTES | 23/02/2012 | 24/02/2012 | 600 mn |
| 91-DAY BILLS | 28/02/2012 | 29/02/2012 | about 25,991 mn ³ |
| 364-DAY BILLS | 28/02/2012 | 29/02/2012 | 1,300 mn |
| MARCH 2012 | | | |
| 91-DAY BILLS | 06/03/2012 | 07/03/2012 | about 25,606 mn ³ |
| 182-DAY BILLS | 06/03/2012 | 07/03/2012 | 8,000 mn |
| 91-DAY BILLS | 13/03/2012 | 14/03/2012 | about 27,717 mn ³ |
| 182-DAY BILLS | 13/03/2012 | 14/03/2012 | 9,000 mn |
| 3-YEAR NOTES ⁴ | 16/03/2012 | 19/03/2012 | 1,200 mn |
| 5-YEAR NOTES | 16/03/2012 | 19/03/2012 | 1,000 mn |
| 91-DAY BILLS | 20/03/2012 | 21/03/2012 | about 29,088 mn ³ |
| 182-DAY BILLS 91-DAY BILLS | 20/03/2012 | 21/03/2012 | 9,000 mn about 28,405 mn ³ |
| 182-DAY BILLS | 27/03/2012 27/03/2012 | 28/03/2012 28/03/2012 | 9,000 mn |
| 102-DALI DILLO | 27/03/2012 | 28/03/2012 | 1,300 mn |

All tender dates, tender sizes and issue dates given are tentative. Details of new issues of Bills will be confirmed and announced at least 4 business days prior to the respective tender dates. Details of new issues of Notes will be confirmed and announced 7 business days prior to the respective tender dates. The HKMA may adjust the schedule in the light of prevailing market conditions.

<u>Notes</u>

- (1) The next schedule will be released by the middle of February 2012, covering the period from April to June 2012.
- (2) Actual tenors may differ slightly due to market holidays.
- (3) As each issue of 91-day Bills includes an amount to cover recent interest payments on the outstanding total of EFBNs, the size of each issue of 91-day Bills cannot be projected with precision and is to be announced at least 4 business days prior to the tender date. The figures provided above represent rollover amounts taking into account planned adjustments to the maturity spectrum of the EFBNs portfolio.
- (4) Re-opening 5-year Notes of Issue Number 05Y1503