****** THE STRAITS TRADING COMPANY LIMITED

ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPOINTMENT TO AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Board of The Straits Trading Company Limited is pleased to announce the appointment of Ms Chew Gek Hiang, a non-executive and non-independent Director, to the Audit Committee effective 15 May 2008.

Following the latest appointment, the Audit Committee now comprises the following members:

Audit Committee

Mr Gerard Ee* (Chairman) Mr Michael Hwang* Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Lin See-Yan* Ms Chew Gek Hiang

* Independent Directors

Submitted by Emily Teo (Ms) Secretary

The Straits Trading Company Limited (Registration No. 188700008D) on 15/5/2008 to the SGX

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