



THE STRAITS TRADING COMPANY LIMITED

Appointment of Mr. Bobby Chin Yoke Choong to the Board of The Straits Trading Company Limited

The Board of The Straits Trading Company Limited is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Bobby Chin Yoke Choong to the Board as an independent non-executive director of the Company effective 18 November 2005.

Mr. Chin, age 54, who qualified as a Chartered Accountant of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales, was the former Managing Partner of KPMG, Singapore from 1992 until his retirement on 30 September 2005. He also serves on the board and council of a number of public institutions and bodies including The Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Singapore Business Federation and the Competition Commission of Singapore. He also chairs the board of Urban Redevelopment Authority. He was recently appointed to the board of Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited as an independent non-executive director.

The Board welcomes Mr. Chin. Given the wealth of experience and expertise that Mr. Chin brings, the Board looks forward to his contributions to the Group. With Mr. Chin's appointment, the number of directors serving on the Board stands at 9.

Submitted by
Emily Teo (Ms)
Secretary

The Straits Trading Company Limited
(Registration No. 188700008D) on 18/11/2005 to the SGX