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# **ANNOUNCEMENT**

# 2013 INTERIM DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTION

Pursuant to the resolution of the eleventh meeting of the sixth session of the board of directors of China Minsheng Banking Corp., Ltd. (the "Company"), the Company will distribute 2013 interim cash dividend of RMB1.58 per 10 shares (tax inclusive) to the shareholders whose names appear on the register of members on 9 September 2013.

#### Distribution of 2013 Interim Dividend

Details for the distribution of the 2013 interim dividend by the Company are as follows:

The Company will distribute 2013 interim cash dividend of RMB1.58 per 10 shares (tax inclusive) on 23 September 2013 to the shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on 9 September 2013 (the "**Record Date**"). According to the Articles of Association of the Company, cash dividends shall be denominated and declared in RMB, and dividend payable to holders of A shares shall be paid in RMB while dividend payable to holders of H shares shall be paid in Hong Kong dollar.

The actual amount of dividend to be paid to holders of H shares in Hong Kong dollar is calculated according to the benchmark exchange rate of RMB against Hong Kong dollar as published by the People's Bank of China on 28 August 2013, the date of the meeting at which the 2013 interim dividend was declared, (i.e. RMB0.79504 against HK\$1.00), being a cash dividend of HK\$0.19873214 per H share (tax inclusive).

### **Enterprise Income Tax Payable by Non-resident Enterprise Shareholders**

In accordance with the Enterprise Income Tax Law of the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") and the Regulations for the Implementation of the Enterprise Income Tax Law of the PRC, both implemented in 2008 and were effective from 1 January 2008, the Company shall be obliged to withhold and pay PRC enterprise income tax for non-resident enterprise shareholders with a tax rate of 10% when the Company distributes any dividends to non-resident enterprise shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of H shares of the Company. Any H shares of the Company registered other than in the name(s) of individual holder(s), including HKSCC Nominees Limited, other nominees, trustees, or other organizations or groups, shall be deemed to be H shares held by non-resident enterprise shareholder(s), and the PRC enterprise income tax shall be withheld from any dividends payable thereon.

### Individual Income Tax Payable by Non-resident Individual Shareholders

Pursuant to the Individual Income Tax Law of the PRC, the Regulations for the Implementation of the Individual Income Tax Law of the PRC, the Notice of the State Administration of Taxation in relation to the Administrative Measures on Preferential Treatment Entitled by Non-residents under Tax Treaties (Tentative) (Guo Shui Fa [2009] No. 124) (《國家稅務總局關於印發〈非居民享受稅收協定待遇管理辦法(試行)〉的通知》(國稅發[2009]124號)) ("Tax Treaties Notice"), other relevant laws and regulations and the relevant rules promulgated by the State Administration of Taxation, and pursuant to the letter titled "Tax arrangements on dividends paid to Hong Kong residents by Mainland companies" issued by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited to the issuers on 4 July 2011, individual holders of H shares issued by domestic non-foreign invested enterprises in Hong Kong are entitled to the relevant preferential tax treatment pursuant to the provisions in the tax arrangements between the countries where they are residents and China or the tax arrangements between Mainland China and Hong Kong (Macau). The Company will determine the country of domicile of the individual holders of H shares based on the registered address as recorded in the register of members of H shares of the Company on the Record Date. Detailed arrangements are as follows:

- For individual holders of H shares who are Hong Kong or Macau residents and those whose country of domicile is a country which has entered into a tax treaty with the PRC stipulating a dividend tax rate of 10%, the Company will withhold and pay individual income tax at the rate of 10% on behalf of the individual holders of H shares.
- For individual holders of H shares whose country of domicile is a country which has entered into a tax treaty with the PRC stipulating a dividend tax rate of lower than 10%, the Company will make applications on behalf of the individual holders of H shares to seek entitlement of the relevant agreed preferential treatments pursuant to the Tax Treaties Notice, and upon approval by the tax authorities, the amount which is over the withheld tax amount will be refunded.
- For individual holders of H shares whose country of domicile is a country which has entered into a tax treaty with the PRC stipulating a dividend tax rate of higher than 10% but lower than 20%, the Company will withhold and pay the individual income tax at the agreed effective tax rate when distributing dividends, and no application procedures will be necessary.

• For individual holders of H shares whose country of domicile is a country which has entered into a tax treaty with the PRC stipulating a dividend tax rate of 20%, or a country which has not entered into any tax treaties with the PRC, or under any other circumstances, the Company will withhold and pay individual income tax at the rate of 20% on behalf of these individual holders of H shares.

In order to determine the holders of H shares who are entitled to receive the 2013 interim dividend, the register of members of H shares of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, 4 September 2013 to Monday, 9 September 2013 (both days inclusive). Shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of H shares of the Company on Monday, 9 September 2013 will be entitled to receive the 2013 interim dividend. Unregistered holders of H shares who wish to receive the 2013 interim dividend must lodge all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant share certificates with the Company's H share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited at Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 3 September 2013.

The Company will withhold and pay relevant income tax strictly in accordance with the relevant laws or requirements of the relevant government departments and strictly based on the Company's register of members of H shares on the Record Date. The Company assumes no liability whatsoever in respect of and will not entertain any claims arising from any delay in, or inaccurate determination of, the status of the shareholders or any disputes over the mechanism of withholding payment of relevant income taxes. The Company has appointed Bank of China (Hong Kong) Trustees Limited as the receiving agent in Hong Kong (the "Receiving Agent") and will pay the 2013 interim dividend to the Receiving Agent for their onward payment to holders of H shares.

Details of paying the 2013 interim dividend to holders of A shares and relevant matters will be announced in due course.

By Order of the Board
CHINA MINSHENG BANKING CORP., LTD.
Dong Wenbiao
Chairman

28 August 2013

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Dong Wenbiao, Hong Qi and Liang Yutang; the non-executive directors of the Company are Zhang Hongwei, Lu Zhiqiang, Liu Yonghao, Wang Yugui, Shi Yuzhu, Wang Hang, Wang Junhui, Wu Di and Guo Guangchang; and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Qin Rongsheng, Wang Lihua, Han Jianmin, Cheng Hoi-chuen, Ba Shusong and You Lantian.