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中国农业银行

AGRICULTURAL BANK OF CHINA

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中國農業銀行股份有限公司

(a joint stock company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1288)

THE APPROVAL OF CBRC IN RELATION TO THE PREFERENCE SHARE ISSUANCE PLAN AND THE AMENDMENTS OF THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

The 2013 annual general meeting held by Agricultural Bank of China Limited (the “**Bank**”) on 23 June 2014 considered and approved the *resolution on the amendments of the Articles of Association of the Bank* and the *resolution on Issuance Plan for Preference Shares of the Bank*. In accordance with the authorization of the general meeting and the requirements of the relevant regulatory authorities, the Bank made further amendments to its articles of association.

The Bank received the *Approval in relation to the Issuance of Preference Shares and the Amendments of Articles of Association by Agricultural Bank of China* from the China Banking Regulatory Commission (the “**CBRC**”) today, whereby CBRC approved the Bank to issue no more than 800 million preference shares with a total proceeds not exceeding RMB80.0 billion which shall be added to our Additional Tier-1 capital in accordance with the relevant regulations. At the same time, the amended *Articles of Association of Agricultural Bank of China Limited* was also approved by this approval.

The Bank will go through other application procedures with the relevant regulatory authorities and fulfil its information disclosure obligations in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations. The amended *Articles of Association of Agricultural Bank of China Limited* shall become effective upon the completion of the issuance of the preference shares, by when the Bank will announce separately.

By Order of the Board
Agricultural Bank of China Limited
ZHU Gaoming
Company Secretary

Beijing, the PRC
14 August 2014

As at the date of this announcement, our executive directors are Mr. JIANG Chaoliang, Mr. ZHANG Yun, Mr. GUO Haoda and Mr. LOU Wenlong; our non-executive directors are Mr. SHEN Bingxi, Mr. CHENG Fengchao, Mr. XIAO Shusheng, Mr. ZHAO Chao and Mr. ZHOU Ke; and our independent non-executive directors are Mr. Anthony WU Ting-yuk, Mr. QIU Dong, Mr. Frederick MA Si-hang, Mr. WEN Tiejun and Mr. Francis YUEN Tin-fan.