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中信銀行股份有限公司 China CITIC Bank Corporation Limited

(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability) (Stock Code: 998)

ANNOUNCEMENT NOMINATION OF NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The board of directors (the **Board**) of China CITIC Bank Corporation Limited (the **Bank**) is pleased to announce that the Board has nominated Mr. Ángel Cano Fernández (**Mr. Cano**) as an non-executive director of the Bank. According to the articles of association of the Bank and relevant laws and regulations of the People's Republic of China (the **PRC**), the effectiveness of this nomination is subject to the approval of the shareholders of the Bank at its general meeting and the approval of China Banking Regulatory Commission.

The particulars of Mr. Cano are set out below:

Mr. Cano, aged 48, holds Spanish nationality. From 1984 to 1991, Mr. Cano worked at Arthur Andersen, specializing in the field of finance. From 1991 to 1998, Mr. Cano worked at Argentaria as an assistant controller, mainly responsible for the development of all the accounting functions, including the preparation of financial statements of the parent company, as well as all the different entities within the Argentaria Group. From 1998 to 2001, Mr. Cano was appointed controller and member of the executive committee. Mr. Cano continued as controller of the new entity following the merger of BBV and Argentaria. Between 2001 and 2003, Mr. Cano held the position of chief financial officer of BBVA and continued as member of the executive committee. In January 2003, Mr. Cano was appointed the human resources and services director for the BBVA Group. Since December 2005, Mr. Cano has been the lead of technology of the BBVA Group and the head of human resources and information technology. Since January 2006, Mr. Cano has also become responsible for the global transformation of the BBVA Group. Since September 2009 till present, Mr. Cano has been acting as president and chief operating officer of BBVA.

Mr. Cano received his bachelor's degree on economics and business administration from University of Oviedo (Spain).

Mr. Cano will receive no salary or director's fee from the Bank during his term as a nonexecutive director.

Mr. Cano has confirmed that, save as disclosed above, (1) he does not hold any position with the Bank or any of its subsidiaries and has not been a director in any other listed companies in the past three years; (2) he is not connected with any directors, supervisor, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Bank or any of its subsidiaries; and (3) he does not have any interest in any shares of the Bank within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance of Hong Kong at the date of this announcement.

In addition, Mr. Cano has confirmed that there is no other information in respect of his appointment that is discloseable pursuant to rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited; and there is no other matter that needs to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Bank.

By order of the Board of China CITIC Bank Corporation Limited KONG Dan Chairman

Beijing, the PRC

22 December 2009

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Bank are Dr. Chen Xiaoxian and Mr. Wu Beiying; the non-executive directors are Mr. Kong Dan, Mr. Chang Zhenming, Mr. Dou Jianzhong, Mr. Ju Weimin, Mr. Zhang Jijing, Ms. Chan Hui Dor Lam Doreen, Mr. Guo Ketong and Mr. José Andrés Barreiro Hernandez; and the independent non-executive directors are Dr. Bai Chong-En, Dr. Ai Hongde, Dr. Xie Rong, Mr. Wang Xiangfei and Mr. Li Zheping.