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(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability under the Companies Ordinance)

The holding company of Dah Sing Bank, Limited and MEVAS Bank Limited

(Stock Code: 2356)

ANNOUNCEMENT MADE PURSUANT TO RULE 13.09 OF THE LISTING RULES

MOU IN RELATION TO PROPOSED BUSINESS COOPERATION AGREEMENT

The directors of the Company are pleased to announce that on 25 March 2008, the Company, DSFH and BTMU entered into the MOU, and that the parties have agreed to commence negotiations along the principles set out in the MOU in respect of a number of strategic and business cooperation opportunities between the parties with a view to entering into of a business cooperation agreement.

The MOU does not create any legal commitment on any party to enter into a business cooperation agreement. However, the MOU constitutes the legally binding obligation on the parties (i) in respect of the exclusivity provisions as stated in the paragraph “Exclusivity” below and (ii) as to confidentiality after termination of the MOU.

The terms set out in the MOU are not definitive and are subject to further negotiations between the parties.

The directors of the Company wish to emphasise that since the MOU is not legally binding (save as described above) and the transactions contemplated under the MOU (including the entering into of a business cooperation agreement) may or may not proceed, investors and shareholders of the Company are urged to exercise caution when dealing in the Company’s shares. The Company will make further announcement(s) containing details of the MOU in accordance with all applicable requirements of the Listing Rules as and when appropriate to keep shareholders of the Company informed.

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Certain key terms of the MOU

Parties:	BTMU The Company DSFH
Scope of business cooperation:	Among other things, the MOU sets out the principal areas of business cooperation to be covered in the proposed business cooperation agreement, including certain commercial banking, retail banking and treasury services.
Exclusivity:	Subject to termination of the MOU, each party agrees that it shall not, without the prior written consent of the other parties, engage in any discussion or negotiation in relation to certain strategic and business cooperation opportunities in Hong Kong and/or Macau with any other third party bank or financial services company (other than each party's own affiliated companies) as set out in the MOU for a period of six months from the date of the MOU.
Conditions:	The implementation of a business cooperation agreement shall be subject to any necessary regulatory approvals for each party.
Termination:	The MOU will terminate on 25 September 2008, or such later date as to be agreed between the parties.
Non binding effect:	The MOU does not create any legal commitment on any party to enter into a business cooperation agreement. However, the MOU constitutes the legally binding obligation on the parties (i) in respect of the exclusivity provisions as stated in the paragraph "Exclusivity" above and (ii) as to confidentiality after termination of the MOU.

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INFORMATION ON THE COMPANY AND BTMU

The Company is a company listed on the Stock Exchange. The Company is the holding company of three banking subsidiaries, Dah Sing, Bank, Limited, Banco Comercial de Macau, S.A. and MEVAS Bank Limited, a securities trading company, as well as an offshore joint venture banking business with SG Hambros Bank.

BTMU is a wholly owned subsidiary of Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group, Inc., whose shares are listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and is the largest financial group in Japan. BTMU is a global financial institution headquartered in Japan with an extensive network around the world. In Hong Kong, it has two branches and two sub-branches providing banking services to its corporate customers.

DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the following meanings:

“ BTMU ”	The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd., a company incorporated under the laws of Japan with limited liability;
“ Companies Ordinance ”	the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 32 of the Laws of Hong Kong), as amended from time to time
“ Company ”	Dah Sing Banking Group Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability under the Companies Ordinance, the ordinary shares of which are listed on the Stock Exchange (Stock Code: 2356);
“ DSFH ”	Dah Sing Financial Holdings Limited, a company incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability under the Companies Ordinance, the ordinary shares of which are listed on the Stock Exchange (Stock Code: 0440);
“ Hong Kong ”	Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China
“ Listing Rules ”	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange from time to time;
“ MOU ”	the memorandum of understanding dated 25 March 2008 entered into between the Company, DSFH and BTMU in relation to certain strategic cooperation between the parties
“ Stock Exchange ”	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited

By Order of the Board
Dah Sing Banking Group Limited
Hoi-Lun Soo (Helen Soo)
Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 25 March 2008

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Messrs. David Shou-Yeh Wong, Hon-Hing Wong (Derek Wong), Lung-Man Chiu (John Chiu), Gary Pak-Ling Wang, Harold Tsu-Hing Wong and Frederic Suet-Chiu Lau. The independent non-executive directors of the Company are Messrs. David Richard Hinde, John William Simpson, Robert Tsai-To Sze and Andrew Kwan-Yuen Leung. The non-executive director of the Company is Keisuke Tahara.