

OVERSEA-CHINESE BANKING CORPORATION LIMITED

(Incorporated in Singapore) (Company Registration No. 193200032W)

OCBC BANK PRICED S\$1 BILLION OF CLASS M PREFERENCE SHARES

Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited ("**OCBC Bank**") wishes to announce that it has priced S\$1 billion of non-cumulative non-convertible non-voting Class M preference shares callable in 2018 and from 2022 (the "**Class M Preference Shares**"). The net proceeds from the issue of the Class M Preference Shares will be used for the general corporate purposes of OCBC Bank.

The Class M Preference Shares are expected to add to OCBC Bank's Tier 1 capital under MAS' current rules and its Additional Tier 1 capital under MAS' transitional rules for Basel III from 1 January 2013. The issue is part of OCBC Bank's ongoing capital management plan to further strengthen its capital base, and improve the mix of its Tier 1 and Tier 2 capital, in order to enhance capital efficiency. As of 31 March 2012, OCBC Group's Tier 1 capital adequacy ratio ("CAR") and total CAR were 14.7% and 16.1%, respectively. The Group's core Tier 1 ratio, the computation of which excludes perpetual securities and innovative preference shares, was 11.6%.

The Class M Preference Shares will, subject to declaration by the Board of Directors of OCBC Bank, pay semi-annual non-cumulative dividends at the rate of 4% per annum of the liquidation preference of S\$1 per Class M Preference Share.

The Class M Preference Shares will be rated by Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

The Class M Preference Shares are expected to be issued on 17 July 2012. Application has been made for the listing of the Class M Preference Shares on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("**SGX-ST**"). Admission of the Class M Preference Shares to the Official List of the SGX-ST is not to be taken as an indication of the merits of OCBC Bank or of the Class M Preference Shares.

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