



The General Manager Pakistan Stock Exchange Limited Stock Exchange Building Stock Exchange Road Karachi.

April 18, 2016

Dear Sir,

## **Material Information**

In accordance with Section 15D of the Securities & Exchange Ordinance, 1969 and Clause 5.19.13(c) (Code of Corporate Governance) of the Rule Book of the Exchange, we hereby convey the following information:

Habib Bank Limited has received a licence to set up a branch in China. HBL will be establishing banking operations in Urumqi, the largest city in the province of Xinjiang, which borders Pakistan along the traditional Silk Route. Urumqi is a growing commercial and trade center and the regional hub for the Belt and Road Initiative in Central Asia. Habib Bank Limited is the first South Asian bank to get this permission.

The members of the Exchange may be informed accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

Nausheen Ahmad Company Secretary

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CC: The Commission Enforcement & Monitoring Division, Securities & Exchange Commission of Pakistan, NIC Building Jinnah Avenue, Islamabad.

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## Annexure A DISCLOSURE FORM IN TERMS OF SECTION 15D OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ORDINANCE, 1969

Karachi, April 18, 2016

Name of Company:

Habib Bank Limited

Date of Report:

April 18, 2016

Address of

Registered Office:

Habib Bank Limited, 4th Floor, Habib Bank Tower,

Jinnah Avenue, Blue Area, Islamabad.

Contact Information:

Ms. Nausheen Ahmad Company Secretary, HBL

[\*] Disclosure of inside information by listed company in terms of section 15D (1).

HBL is the first bank from Pakistan, to receive a license for setting up a branch in China (Urumqi, the largest city in the province of Xinjiang) and also became the first South Asian bank to get the permission to set up its banking operations in Urumqi/China.

[] Intimation of decision of the listed company to delay disclosure of insider information in terms of section 15D(2)

Not applicable

[] Disclosure of inside information by listed company where the listed company or person acting on its behalf discloses inside information to third party in terms of section 15D(3)

Not applicable

[] Disclosure of transactions conducted by Persons discharging managerial responsibilities within a listed company or Persons closely associated with them in terms of section15D(5).

Not applicable

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In case of Company pursuant to the requirement of the Securities Exchange Ordinance of 1969 (XVII of 1969), the company has duly caused this form/statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**DATED: April 18, 2016** 

Nausheen Ahmad

Nausheen Ahmad Company Secretary Habib Bank Limited