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## EBRD AND IFC LOAN CONVERSION

On 20 December 2011, Bank of Georgia Holdings plc ("BGH") announced the launch of its tender offer (the "Tender Offer") to acquire the entire issued and to be issued share capital, including those shares represented by GDRs, of JSC Bank of Georgia (the "Bank"), the leading bank in Georgia.

Today, BGH announces that the EBRD and IFC have converted part of their respective loans to the Bank into Bank shares and accepted the Tender Offer with respect to such Bank shares (the "Loan Conversion").

The Tender Offer for the Bank's shares will remain open until 5:00pm London time today.

Application has been made for all of the shares in BGH ("BGH Shares") to be admitted to the premium segment of the Official List of the UK Listing Authority ("UKLA") and for all BGH Shares to be admitted to trading on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange ("Admission").

BGH Shares are expected to begin trading on the London Stock Exchange on Tuesday, 28 February 2012. Following Admission, the Bank will become a subsidiary of BGH.

ING Bank N.V., London Branch, acted as sole financial adviser and sponsor to BGH in connection with the proposed listing. In connection with the Tender Offer, DF King Worldwide acted as Information Agent, The Bank of New York Mellon acted as Exchange Agent for the GDRs and Joint Stock Company BG Capital acted as Georgian Exchange Agent for the Bank's shares.

The EBRD, owned by 63 countries and two intergovernmental institutions, is is an international financial institution that supports projects from central Europe to central Asia and beyond. Investing primarily in private sector clients whose needs cannot be fully met by the market, the Bank fosters transition towards market economies. Follow us on the web, Facebook and Twitter.

IFC, a member of the World Bank Group, is the largest global development institution focused exclusively on the private sector. IFC helps developing countries achieve sustainable growth by financing investment, providing advisory services to businesses and governments, and mobilizing capital in the international financial markets. In fiscal 2011, amid economic uncertainty across the globe, IFC helped its clients create jobs, strengthen environmental performance, and contribute to their local communities—all while driving investments to an all-time high of nearly \$19 billion. For more information, visit <u>www.ifc.org</u>

## About Bank of Georgia

Bank of Georgia is the leading Georgian bank, based on total assets (with a 35.6% market share), total loans (with a 34.5% market share) and client deposits (with a 35.6% market share) as of 31 December 2011, all data based on standalone financial information filed by banks in Georgia with the National Bank of Georgia. The Bank offers a broad range of corporate banking, retail banking, wealth management, brokerage and insurance services to its clients.

Bank of Georgia has, as of the date hereof, the following credit ratings:	
Standard & Poor's	'BB-/B'
FitchRatings	'BB-/B'
Moody's	'B1/NP' (FC) & 'Ba3/NP' (LC)
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The information contained in this announcement is for background purposes only and does not purport to be full or complete. The information in this announcement is subject to change.

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The Tender Offer was made in the United Kingdom only pursuant to the Prospectus.

The date of the Admission may be influenced by things such as market conditions. There is no guarantee that the Admission will occur and you should not base your financial decisions on the Bank's intentions at this stage in relation to the Admission.

This announcement is not a tender offer announcement for the purposes of Georgian law. The Tender Offer was made in accordance with the requirements of Georgian law.

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