



## Announcement

### DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT OF FIRST QUARTER 2006 FINANCIAL RESULTS

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Nicosia, 14 April 2006

The Board of Directors of the Bank of Cyprus Public Company Ltd ("the Bank") will convene on Thursday **11 May 2006** to examine the Bank of Cyprus Group ("the Group") financial results for the quarter ended 31 March 2006 (1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2006). On the same day, the financial results will be announced to the Stock Exchange and the Press.

Based on preliminary indications, the Group profit after tax for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2006 is expected to be significantly improved against both that of the corresponding 2005 quarter and the quarter ended 31 December 2005.

Founded in 1899, the Bank of Cyprus Group is the leading Cypriot banking and financial services group. In 1991, the Group established its first branch in Greece where it has been expanding rapidly since 1999. It has an established banking presence in the United Kingdom and in 2001 it expanded to Australia through a wholly owned subsidiary bank. In addition to retail and commercial banking, the Group's activities include finance, factoring, investment banking, brokerage, fund management, life and general insurance. The Group currently operates through a total of 275 branches, of which 147 operate in Cyprus, 111 in Greece, six in the United Kingdom, ten in Australia and one in the Channel Islands. Bank of Cyprus also has representation in the United States of America, Canada, South Africa, Russia and Romania. The Bank of Cyprus Group employs 6.065 staff worldwide.

At 31 December 2005, the Group's Total Assets reached C£12,80bn (€22,32bn) and the Group's Shareholders' Funds were C£762mn (€1,33bn). The Bank of Cyprus shares are listed on the Cyprus and Athens Stock Exchanges. Additional information can be found at the Group's website [www.bankofcyprus.com](http://www.bankofcyprus.com)