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The General Manager
Karachi Stock Exchange (Guarantee) Ltd.
Karachi

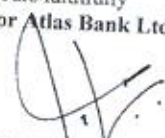
Dear Sir,

SUBJECT: ANNOUNCEMENT

In a major positive development in financial sector, the sponsors of KASB Group and Atlas Group are pleased to announce that they have agreed to merge their respective banks. As a result, KASB Bank, KASB Capital and Atlas Bank will merge together to form KASB-Atlas Bank. The merged entity will have a capital base in excess of Rs.12.5 billion and a branch network exceeding 110 branches. The combination would provide customers with better service and innovative products on state of the art technological platform.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully
For Atlas Bank Ltd.


Irfan Ibrahim Bhaiyat
Company Secretary

cc: **The Secretary,**
The Secretary,
The Director,

Lahore Stock Exchange (Guarantee) Ltd.
Islamabad Stock Exchange (Guarantee) Ltd.
Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan.
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Atlas Bank Limited