

#### **COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. The following is a Company Announcement in terms of the Malta Financial Services Authority Listing Rules.

### Quote

Further to the Company Announcement issued on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2007, Lombard Bank advises that Marfin Popular Bank Public Company Ltd of Cyprus has been granted regulatory approval for the acquisition of a qualifying shareholding in Lombard Bank Malta p.l.c.

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2. We quote hereunder text of Company Announcement issued today by Marfin Popular Bank Public Company Ltd on the Cyprus Stock Exchange.

## Quote

Further to the announcement dated 15 October 2007, Marfin Popular Bank Public Co Ltd announces that the necessary approvals from the responsible regulatory authorities (Central Bank of Cyprus and Malta Financial Services Authority) for the acquisition of 43% of the share capital of Lombard Bank Malta PLC have been obtained. The relevant transaction is expected to be completed over the next few days.

MARFIN POPULAR BANK PUBLIC CO LTD Stelios Hadjiosif Secretary Nicosia, 26 February 2008

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