

press release

Launch of 2010-2011 Liverpool FC Shirt sponsored by Standard Chartered

13 June 2010 - Dubai, United Arab Emirates – Standard Chartered is delighted to announce the launch of the new Standard Chartered branded 2010 season Liverpool FC home shirt. The new shirt will ensure Standard Chartered's logo and trust mark will be highly visible around the world, and will be a key component of the Bank's international brand build-out through 2010, in conjunction with the 'Here for good' brand campaign.

In the UAE, Standard Chartered has partnered with the Dubai Reds, the official Liverpool supporters club in the emirates, to promote the launch. Members of the Dubai Reds team were presented with the new branded Liverpool shirts at their end of season presentation ceremony held at The Underground, Habtoor Grand hotel, last week. The Bank will be extending its support to the team through initiatives including sponsorship of the official Dubai Reds website and football coaching sessions for children of Standard Chartered staff.

Standard Chartered signed a four-year deal to be the main sponsor of Liverpool Football Club from the start of the 2010/11 season, which officially commences on the 1st July 2010. With a comprehensive rights package, sponsorship of the iconic football club will provide a platform to significantly accelerate the Bank's brand awareness across its core markets in Asia, Africa and the Middle East.

Peter Sands, Group Chief Executive of Standard Chartered PLC, said "2010 will see a step-change in Standard Chartered's brand visibility and recognition. Liverpool FC is one of the world's most famous football clubs, with a huge fan base across Asia as well as the rest of the world. With our name and logo displayed prominently on the new Liverpool FC shirt, we expect this deal to play a major role in building our brand awareness."

Shayne Nelson, Regional Chief Executive Middle East & North Africa, added: "This new sponsorship clearly reaffirms our commitment to our market place given our longevity in developing the Emirates communities dating back to 1950. Football has a mass appeal in this region. 54% of the UAE population has an interest in the English Premier League, which makes it relevant for us to help develop a positive and inclusive sporting culture. "

Photo caption: The launch in UAE coincided with the launch of the World Cup with supporters from Dubai Reds, the official Liverpool supporters club. The Dubai Chapter, which came into existence in 2006, today represents 200 Liverpool supporters to promote football as a game and actively support the club from the UAE.

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Note to Editors:
Standard Chartered – leading the way in Asia, Africa and the Middle East

Standard Chartered PLC is a leading international bank, listed on the London and Hong Kong stock exchanges. It has operated for over 150 years in some of the world's most dynamic markets and earns around 90 per cent of its income and profits in Asia, Africa and the Middle East. This geographic focus and commitment to developing deep relationships with clients and customers has driven the Bank's growth in recent years.

With 1700 offices in 70 markets, Standard Chartered offers exciting and challenging international career opportunities for its 75,000 staff. The Bank is committed to building a sustainable business over the long term and is trusted worldwide for upholding high standards of corporate governance, social responsibility, environmental protection and employee diversity. This heritage and these values are expressed in its brand promise, 'Here for good'.

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Liverpool Football Club

Liverpool FC is one of the world's most famous football clubs. Founded in 1892, Liverpool is England's most successful club, winning a record 18 League Titles, seven FA Cups, seven League Cups, five European Cups and the UEFA Cup on three occasions. Liverpool can also lay claim to 15 Charity Shield wins and three European Super Cup successes.

The unprecedented success of the modern era began under legendary manager Bill Shankly and has continued through to the famous Champions League win in Istanbul when Rafael Benitez led his side to victory in May 2005, a game widely acknowledged as one of the greatest in footballing history.

Liverpool's passionate supporters, centred around the world famous Kop, also saw further success in the 2006 FA Cup and a second appearance in three years in the Champions League final 12 months later in Athens.

The Club continues to grow and is committed to the construction of a new 60,000 seat LFC Stadium. Liverpool FC has already invested significant sums in the restoration of nearby Stanley Park, the Isla Gladstone Conservatory and other regeneration initiatives in the Anfield area. Its outstanding work in the local community has recently been recognised by the award of the national CommunityMark accolade.

For more information on Liverpool Football club please visit www.liverpoolfc.tv

About Dubai Reds

Dubai Reds, the official Liverpool Supporters Club in Dubai was formed in 2006 by Bob Kabli and Russell Overy, and gained affiliation to Liverpool Football Club in early 2007. Since then it has firmly established as one of the most well known and active supporters clubs in Dubai. Membership has grown to over 200 loyal supporters.

Dubai Reds current has a team in the local 5-a-side football league and will set up 11 a side local league in the coming season. In addition the club holds regular social and charity events and has in recent years made contributions to the Al Noor Centre for Children with Special Needs, the Hillsborough Justice Campaign and Harmony House which helps under-privileged children in India.