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Ahmad M. Abu - Eideh New Chief Executive Officer of Standard Chartered Bank Jordan

Dubai, 14 December 2010 - Standard Chartered Bank announced today the appointment of Ahmad M. Abu – Eideh as Chief Executive Officer of Standard Chartered Bank in Jordan. Ahmad has previously been based in Dubai with another international bank. Ahmad is the first Jordanian assigned to the role of Chief Executive Officer at Standard Chartered, in Jordan.

Christos Papodopoulos, Regional Chief Executive Officer Middle East and North Africa, said “We are pleased to announce the appointment of Ahmad M. Abu - Eideh as the new Chief Executive of our business in Jordan. Ahmad’s extensive background and experience in the Banking industry in Jordan and Dubai makes him the best candidate to drive the business and position the franchise for future growth.”

Christos added, “As the oldest Bank in Jordan and with a rich 85-year history of strength and innovation in the Kingdom, we are deeply committed to growing our franchise and have great expectations for the future of Standard Chartered in the country.”

Ahmad M. Abu – Eideh, Chief Executive Officer for Jordan, said “Standard Chartered Bank in Jordan is in an excellent position to leverage on its proud history, outstanding talent, loyal customers, and the strong relations it enjoys with the regulator and the community. It is a great honour to return to my home country to share some of the business experience I’ve acquired in Dubai. And have the opportunity to build on the Bank’s success, capitalise on the Bank’s growth opportunities, and drive value for our customers and clients. I look forward to driving the next phase of growth for Standard Chartered in Jordan and growing within the Group.”

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Ahmad joins the Bank with a deep knowledge of the Middle East, strong client relationships, as well as credit and broader banking experience that will ensure Standard Chartered continues to strengthen its franchise in Jordan.

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