

**Articles of Incorporation  
Chang Hwa Commercial Bank, Ltd.**

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Amended by the general Shareholders' Meeting on 18 June, 2026

### **Chapter One**

#### **General Provisions**

- Article 1 The objectives of the Bank are to promote economic development in line with national financial policies, provide comprehensive financial services for the society and the public, safeguard public interests, achieve operating efficiency and enhance shareholders' equity.
- Article 2 The Bank is organized and registered in accordance with the regulations of the Banking Act and the Company Act and is named Chang Hwa Commercial Bank, Ltd, hereinafter called Chang Hwa Bank. The English name of the bank is CHANG HWA COMMERCIAL BANK, LTD. or CHANG HWA BANK in short.
- Article 3 The head office of the Bank is located in Taichung City Taiwan, and the bank may establish branch institutions domestically and overseas at appropriate locations based on business needs.
- Article 4 (deleted)

### **Chapter Two**

#### **Shares**

- Article 5 The authorized capital of the Bank is New Taiwan Dollars one hundred and fifty billion (NT\$150,000,000,000), divided into fifteen billion shares, at par value of ten New Taiwan Dollars (NT\$10) per share. The shares may be issued at a premium. The Board of Directors is authorized to issue the unissued shares in installments.
- Article 6 All share certificates of the Bank shall be in inscribed form and issued in accordance with the laws.
- The Bank may be exempted from printing any share certificate for the shares issued, but shall appoint a centralized securities custody enterprise/institution to record the issue of such shares.
- Article 7 The shareholder of the Bank shall complete a seal/signature specimen card and submit it to the Bank for record. All claims for collection of share dividend, bonus, exercising of shareholder's rights in writing or written correspondence with the Bank shall be verified against the seal/signature specimen card.

Article 8 Matters relating to shareholders of the Bank shall be processed and exercised in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations of the competent authorities.

### **Chapter Three Businesses**

Article 9 The business scope of the Bank is classified as H101021 Commercial Bank, H601011 Personal Insurance Agent and H601021 Property Insurance Agent, and may conduct the following businesses :

- (1) To accept Cheque Deposits;
- (2) To accept Current Deposits;
- (3) To accept Time Deposits;
- (4) To issue Bank Debentures;
- (5) To extend Short-term, medium-term and long-term loans;
- (6) To handle discount bills and notes;
- (7) To invest in government bonds, short-term notes, corporate bonds, Bank Debentures and corporate stocks;
- (8) To handle domestic and foreign remittances;
- (9) To accept commercial drafts;
- (10) To issue domestic and foreign Letters of Credit;
- (11) To guarantee the issuance of corporate bonds;
- (12) To provide guarantee for domestic and foreign transactions;
- (13) To act as collecting and paying agent;
- (14) To act as agent to sell government bonds, treasury notes, corporate bonds and stocks;
- (15) To conduct credit card business;
- (16) To conduct trust business;
- (17) To conduct securities business;
- (18) To conduct warehousing, custody and agency businesses in relation to the businesses in the preceding 17 items subparagraphs;
- (19) To engage in futures introducing broker business;
- (20) To conduct life insurance agency business;
- (21) To conduct property insurance agency business; and
- (22) To conduct other relevant businesses which may be authorized by the Competent Authority.

### **Chapter Four Shareholders' Meeting**

Article 10 The Shareholders' Meeting of the Bank shall be categorised into general meeting and extraordinary meeting. The general Shareholders' Meeting shall be convened once a year within six months after the end of each fiscal year. The extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting shall be convened whenever deemed necessary.

Convening of the Shareholders' Meeting and resolutions of the Board of Directors may be convened via video conference or other means as announced by the central competent authority. The conditions, procedures and other matters to be followed shall be handled in accordance with the provisions of the competent authority.

Article 11 A notice indicating the date, the venue and the cause(s) or subject(s) for convening the meeting shall be given to each shareholder no later than thirty days prior to an ordinary meeting, and no later than fifteen days prior to an extraordinary meeting.

A public notice may be given to those shareholders who own less than one thousand shares no later than thirty days prior to an ordinary meeting, and no later than fifteen days prior to an extraordinary meeting.

Article 12 In the event that a shareholder is unable to attend a shareholders' meeting due to any reason, may appoint a proxy to attend a Shareholders' Meeting in his/her/its behalf by executing a power of attorney printed by the Bank stating therein the scope of power authorized to the proxy. The power of attorney shall be delivered to the Bank no later than five days prior to the date of the Shareholders' Meeting. A shareholder may only execute one power of attorney and appoint one proxy only.

When a person who acts as the proxy for two or more shareholders, the number of voting power represented by him/her shall not exceed 3% of the total number of voting shares of the Bank, otherwise, the portion of excessive voting power shall not be counted.

Article 13 For a Shareholders' Meeting convened by the Board of Directors, the chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside over the Shareholders' Meeting. In the event that the chairman of the Board of Directors is on leave or cannot exercise his/her power and authority for any cause, the chairman of the Board of Directors shall designate one of the managing directors to act on his/her behalf. In the absence of such a designation, the managing directors shall elect from among themselves an acting chairman of the meeting.

A proxy referred in the preceding paragraph, for a Shareholders' Meeting convened by any other person having the convening right, he/she shall act

as the chairman of the meeting, however if there are two or more persons having the convening right, the chairman of the meeting shall be elected from among themselves.

Article 14 The Shareholders' Meeting are empowered to resolve the following matters:

- (1) To draft and amend the Articles of Incorporation of the Bank.
- (2) To elect and discharge of directors.
- (3) To examine and approve the statements and records prepared and submitted by the Board of Directors. In order to conduct the examination, the Shareholders' Meeting may select and appoint inspectors as required.
- (4) To increase or reduce capital.
- (5) To distribute profits, dividends and bonuses.
- (6) Other important matters.

Article 15 Resolutions at a Shareholders' Meeting shall, unless otherwise stipulated under the Company Act or other laws, be adopted by more than half vote of the shareholders present, who represent more than half of the total number of voting shares.

In the event that the number of shareholders present does not constitute the quorum referred to in the preceding paragraph, but the shareholders present represent one-third or more of the total number of issued shares, a tentative resolution may be passed by more than half of those present. A notice of such tentative resolution shall be given to each of the shareholders, and reconvene a Shareholders' Meeting within one month.

In the aforesaid Shareholders' Meeting, if the tentative resolution is again adopted by more than half of those present who represent one-third or more of the total number of issued shares, such tentative resolution shall be deemed to be a resolution under the first paragraph.

Article 16 Unless otherwise provided for in the laws or in these Articles of Incorporation, a shareholder shall have one voting power in respect of each share in his/her/its possession.

When the Bank holds a shareholders' meeting, if shareholders exercise their voting rights in writing or electronically, relevant matters shall be handled in accordance with laws and regulations.

Article 17 Resolutions adopted at a Shareholders' Meeting shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting, which shall be affixed with the signature or seal of the chairman of the meeting and shall be published within twenty (20) days after the meeting.

The minutes of Shareholders' Meeting shall comply with the requirements

of laws and regulations including the date, venue, the name of the chairman, the method of adopting resolutions, and a summary of the essential points of the proceedings and the results of the meeting. The minutes shall be kept persistently throughout the life of the Bank.

The attendance book bearing the signatures of shareholders present at the meeting and the powers of attorney of the proxies shall be kept by the Bank for a minimum period of one year. However, if a lawsuit has been instituted by any shareholder in accordance with the provisions of Article 189 of the Company Act, the attendance book and the powers of attorney of the proxies shall be kept until the legal proceedings of the foregoing lawsuit have been concluded.

## **Chapter Five**

### **Board of Directors**

Article 18 The Board of Directors of the Bank shall comprise eleven to fifteen directors, to be elected in the Shareholders' Meeting among the persons with disposing capacity.

The 24<sup>th</sup> term of office for Board of Directors shall be two years and seven months and from the 25<sup>th</sup> term of office for Board of Directors, the term shall be three years. Directors may be eligible for re-election. Starting from the 25<sup>th</sup> term of office, election of the Bank's non-independent directors shall be performed through candidate nomination mechanism; the non-independent directors shall be duly elected at the Shareholders' Meeting from a list of nominated non-independent directors. The ways of nomination and election shall be in accordance with the Company Act.

In the event that a governmental organization or juristic-person shareholder is elected as director, its representative may be re-appointed at any time due to the change of the official functions and duties of the original representative, and they shall serve out the remainder of the term of office of their predecessors.

Starting from the 28<sup>th</sup> term of the Board of Directors, the number of independent directors in the list of directors which set under the first paragraph shall be no less than five persons and no less than one-third of the total number of directors. The candidate nomination mechanism shall be adopted; the independent directors shall be duly elected at the Shareholders' Meeting from among the nominees listed in the roster of independent director candidates.

Election for the independent directors and non-independent directors shall

be held together but their votes shall be counted separately.

Regulations governing the professional qualifications, restrictions on shareholdings and concurrent positions held, manner of nomination and election, and other matters for compliance with respect to independent directors shall be in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the competent authority.

The total number of shares held by all the directors shall be in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the relevant authority.

Article 19 The Board of Directors shall have three to five managing directors, to be elected in a meeting attended by over two thirds of the directors and consent by more than half of the directors present. The chairman of the Board of Directors shall be elected from among the managing directors in the same manner. The chairman of the Board of Directors shall act internally as the chairman of the meetings of the Board of Directors and the meetings of the managing directors, and shall externally represent the Bank.

Amongst the managing directors, the number of independent directors shall not be less than one and not less than one-fifth of the total number of managing directors.

In the event that the chairman of the Board of Directors is on leave or absent or cannot exercise his power and authority for any cause, he shall designate one of the managing directors to act on his behalf. In the absence of such a designation, the managing directors shall elect from among themselves an acting chairman of the Board of Directors.

For the resignation and retirement benefits of the Chairman of the Bank upon leaving office, the retirement pension and severance measures of the Bank's employees shall apply mutatis mutandis; for the granting standard, the provisions of the pension system of the Labor Standards Act shall apply mutatis mutandis without being subject to the retirement age and seniority.

Article 19.1 The Bank shall establish the following functional committees:

1. Remuneration committee :

Starting from the 22<sup>nd</sup> term of the Board of Directors, the Bank shall establish a Remuneration committee, with the number the members not fewer than three, who shall be appointed by the resolution of the Board of Directors. A majority of its members shall be independent directors. The convener and the chairman of the meetings of the committee shall

be elected by all members from among the members who qualify as independent directors.

2. Audit committee :

Starting from the 24<sup>th</sup> term of the Board of Directors, the committee shall be established and be composed of the entire number of independent directors. It shall not be fewer than three persons in number, one of whom shall be selected among themselves to be a committee convener, and at least one of whom shall have accounting or financing expertise.

3. Sustainable Development committee:

Starting from the 25<sup>th</sup> term of the Board of Directors, the Bank shall establish a Sustainable Development committee, with three to five committee members, to be composed of directors and senior managers of the Bank; at least half of whom shall be independent directors, and the chairman of the Board of Directors shall be the convener.

4. Accountability Committee:

Starting from the 27<sup>th</sup> term of the Board of Directors, the Bank shall establish an Accountability Committee comprising no fewer than three committee members. The committee will be jointly composed of the full body of managing directors and independent directors, and the chairman of the Board of Directors will serve as both the convener and the committee chair.

The Bank shall adopt the committee charter for the committees in the preceding paragraph; The exercise of power by the various committees, as well as other compliance requirements, shall be in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the audit committee charter, the Bank's rules and regulations, and the relevant laws and regulations prescribed by the competent authority.

Article 20 The duties and powers of the Board of Directors shall be as follows:

- (1) To approve rules and regulations matters defining power and responsibility, articles of association and important businesses of the Bank.
- (2) To approve business operations plan.
- (3) To propose the increase or reduction of capital.
- (4) To approve the establishment, revocation or changes of the branch institutions.
- (5) To approve various significant contracts or agreements.
- (6) To approve yearly and half-yearly financial reports.

- (7) To approve the budgets.
- (8) To approve real estate transactions.
- (9) To approve investments in other companies.
- (10) To propose profit distribution or loss appropriation.
- (11) To review discussion on business reports.
- (12) To approve internal control system.
- (13) To decide and determine director's remuneration, regardless of profit or loss, the remuneration of the directors to be on par with the salary levels of directors of financial institutions similar in size to the Bank.
- (14) To approve the appointment, dismissal and remuneration of the President, Executive Vice-Presidents, Chief Auditor, Chief Compliance Officer, section heads and branch heads.
- (15) To handle assignments from Chairman of the Board.
- (16) All other authority in accordance with the law, articles of incorporation and vested by the meetings of the shareholders.

When exercising the authority under item (9) of this Article, the Board of Directors is not required to limit the Bank's total amount of investments to 40% of the Bank's capital as prescribed in paragraph 2 Article 13 of the Company Act.

Article 21 The ordinary meeting of the Board of Directors shall be convened at least once on a quarterly basis. An extraordinary meeting may be convened in the event of an emergency or upon the request by more than half of the directors. Unless otherwise stipulated under the Company Act, all meetings of the Board of Directors shall be called by way of written notice or electronic means by the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall adopt rules of procedures for Board of Directors meetings to enhance operational efficiency and policy decision capability of the Board of Directors.

In order to strengthen management functions, the Board of Directors shall set up various types of special functional committees. The rules and regulations governing their functions and powers shall be drawn up separately by the Board of Directors.

Article 22 In case a director for any reason is unable to attend a meeting of the Board of Directors, he may appoint another director to attend the meeting on his behalf by issue a written proxy in each time. The written proxy shall state the scope of authority with reference to the subjects to be discussed at the meeting.

A director may accept the appointment to act as the proxy referred to in the

preceding paragraph of one director only.

Article 23 Unless otherwise provided for in the Company Act or other laws and decrees, resolutions of the Board of Directors shall be adopted by a more than half of the directors at a meeting attended by more than half of the directors.

Article 24 Minutes of the Board of Directors shall be affixed with the signature or seal by the Chairman and the recorder. It shall be distributed to each director within twenty days after the close of the meeting.

The attendance book bearing the signatures of the directors present at the meeting shall form part of the minutes and must be kept together with the minutes as the important files of the bank for as long as the bank in existence.

The powers of attorney of the directors appointing other directors as proxies shall be kept by the Bank for a minimum period of one year.

Article 25 During the meeting of the Board of Directors, President, Executive Vice-President and the Chief Auditor shall be invited to attend the meeting. However they have no voting rights.

Article 26 During the recess of the Board of Directors, the managing directors shall, pursuant to applicable laws and regulations, the Articles of Incorporation of the Bank, resolutions adopted by the Shareholders' Meetings and the meetings of the Board of Directors, hold conferences from time to time to regularly exercise the duties and powers of the Board of Directors. Such conferences shall be convened by way of written notice or electronic means by the Chairman of the Board of Directors and shall preside by him as the Chairman. If Chairman of the Board of Directors is unable to attend the conference for any cause, he shall designate one of the managing directors to act on his behalf. In the absence of such a designation, the managing directors shall elect from among themselves an acting chairman of the conference.

The scope of duties and powers carried out by the Board of Managing Directors in accordance with the preceding paragraph shall be set out clearly in the rules of procedures for Board of Directors meetings.

Article 27 (deleted)

Article 28 During the meeting of the Board of Managing Director, President, Executive Vice-President and the Chief Auditor shall be invited to attend the meeting. However, they shall have no voting rights.

The provisions of Article 22 to 24 of these Articles of Incorporation shall apply mutatis mutandis to the meetings of the Board of Managing Directors.

Article 29 The Chief Auditor shall be responsible for leading and supervising the Internal Audit Division which comes under the Board of Directors. The Internal Audit Division shall assess and put it on record the internal control system and its performance and shall report its audit business to the Board of Directors at a minimum period of every six months.

The employment, dismissal or transfer of the Chief Auditor shall have the consent of the majority of audit committee members as well as the consent of more than two-thirds of the board of directors and report to the competent authority for ratification.

## **Chapter Six (Deleted)**

Article 30 (deleted)

Article 31 (deleted)

Article 32 (deleted)

Article 33 (deleted)

Article 33.1 (deleted)

## **Chapter Seven Presidents**

Article 34 The Bank shall have one President in charge of the Bank's operations in accordance with the resolutions of the Board of Directors. The appointment and dismissal of the President shall be recommended by the chairman of the Board of Directors and proposed at the Board of Directors' Meeting. Resolution of consent shall be adopted by a more than half of the directors at a meeting attended by more than half of the directors.

The President shall be assisted by several Executive Vice-Presidents. The appointment and dismissal of the Executive Vice-Presidents shall be recommended by the President and proposed at the Board of Directors' Meeting. Resolution of consent shall be adopted by more than half of the directors at a meeting attended by more than half of the directors.

Article 35 In case the President cannot perform his duties for any cause, the Chairman of the Board of Directors shall designate one of the Executive Vice-President as acting President and refer this designation to the Board of Directors for its approval.

## **Chapter Eight**

## **Accounting**

Article 36 The fiscal year of the Bank shall commence from 1 January and end at 31 December of the same year. At the end of each fiscal year, the Bank shall prepare the year-end financial statements. The closing date of each year is 31 December.

Article 37 At the end of each fiscal year, the Bank shall prepare annual report and the Board of Directors shall prepare the following statements and records and submit to the general Shareholders' Meeting for ratification in accordance with the procedures prescribed by the competent authority:

- (1) The business report.
- (2) Financial statements.
- (3) Proposals on distribution of profit or loss appropriation.
- (4) Other items specified by the competent authority.

The above statements and records, together with the annual report, shall be submitted to the competent authority and the Central Bank within 15 days after the ratification by the ordinary meeting of shareholders. The financial statement and other items specified by the competent authority shall be published in the local daily newspapers or announced according to the mode specified by the competent authority; and shall also be placed at a prominent place of each business office for perusal. Public notice is exempted if Article 36 of the Stock Exchange Act has been complied with. The publicly announced statements and other items specified by the competent authority referred to in the preceding paragraph shall be duly audited and attested by a certified public accountant.

Article 38 At the end of fiscal year, profit (profit refers to profit before tax and before the deduction of compensation of employees and remuneration of directors), if any, shall be distributed with 1% to 6% of the profit as employees' compensation, of which no less than 20% of the actual distributed amount for the current year shall, in principle, be non-executive employees' compensation, and up to 0.8% distributed as remuneration of directors. However, if the bank has any accumulated losses, profit shall be reserved to cover such amounts first.

The aforementioned compensation of employees can be in the form of stocks or cash; while remuneration for directors shall be in the form of cash. The aforementioned compensation and remuneration shall be proposed at the Board of Directors' Meeting attended by at least two-thirds of the directors and approved by at least half the directors present at the meeting,

and reported at the Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 38-1 After the final closing of accounts, surplus, if any, shall be used to make up for the prior year's loss and payment of tax before setting aside 30% of the net profit as statutory reserve in accordance to Banking Act and provision or reverse of special reserves under other relevant law. 30% to 100% of shareholders' dividends and bonuses and other undistributed surplus of previous years can be distributed, to be proposed by the Board of Directors and approved at the Shareholders' Meeting before distribution.

In order to continuously expand the bank's operation and increase its profitability, the Bank adopts the residual dividend approach. According to the Bank's business needs and taking into account future plan for capital budgeting, shareholders' dividend and bonus shall be given primarily in the form of stock dividend in order to reserving an amount for necessary funds and distributing the remainder in the form of cash, provided such cash dividend shall not be less than 10% of the total dividends. No cash dividend will be distributed if the cash dividend falls short of NTD0.1 per share, unless otherwise determined in the Shareholders' Meeting.

The Bank shall not distribute cash profits or buy back shares if any situation stipulated in Article 44-1, subparagraph 1 of the Banking Act occurs.

If the total amount of the legal reserves as stipulated in subparagraph 1 has not reached the total amount of capital, the amount of profit distributed as cash may not exceed 15% of the total capital.

In the event that the legal reserve equals or exceeds the Bank's paid-in capital or the Bank is sound in both its finance and business operations and has set aside legal reserve in compliance with the company Act, the restrictions stipulated in paragraph 1 and paragraph 4 shall not apply.

## **Chapter 9 Addendum**

Article 39 The Bank shall enter into liability insurance contract with the insurance industry on the liability of indemnity incurred in the course of their duties and according to law by its directors and key officials.

Article 40 All other matters not specified herein shall be regulated under the Banking Act, the Company Act and other relevant laws or regulations.

Article 41 These Articles of Incorporation will be implemented after it has been

resolved and approved at the meeting of shareholders. The same applies to any amendments to the Articles.

Article 42 These Articles of Incorporation are concluded on 1 January 1947.