

Press Release

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Dissociation of the functions of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Following the successful capital increase, and in view to adapt the Group's governance, the Board of Directors, on Daniel Bouton's proposal, has decided to proceed with the dissociation of the functions of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, in accordance with the Company's by-laws, during its meeting of May 12th. The Board will appoint Daniel Bouton as Chairman and Frédéric Oudéa as Chief Executive Officer. Frédéric Oudéa has informed the Board he will propose on May 12th that Philippe Citerne and Didier Alix be confirmed in their functions as Co-Chief Executive Officers.

Philippe Citerne has proposed to the Board not to renew his Board Director mandate as initially submitted for approval by the General Meeting of Shareholders on 27 May 2008. The Board has decided to accept this proposal and to increase the proportion of independent Board members by asking shareholders to appoint a new independent Board member.

The Board of Directors of May 12th will also approve the first quarter 2008 earnings, which will reflect the sustained confidence of our clients, the Group's resilience and once again the benefits derived from a balanced portfolio of activities in a difficult environment.

Daniel Bouton, Chief Executive Officer of Société Générale since 1993 and Chairman & CEO since November 1997. Frédéric Oudéa joined Société Générale London in 1995. He subsequently worked within the equities department in Paris and was appointed Chief Financial Officer in 2003.

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