

## Changes to the Board of Directors of BLME Holdings plc

**London 29 April 2021:** BLME Holdings plc (“the Company”) has announced today that having reached nine years’ service on the board of Bank of London and The Middle East plc (“the Bank”), Michael Williams, Deputy Chairman and Senior Independent Director, has stood down from the Board of Directors of the Company and the Bank with effect from 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Michael Williams will remain as Chairman of Walbrook Asset Finance Limited, the Company’s wholly owned Leasing and Asset Finance subsidiary (“Walbrook”).

Adel Al Majed, Chairman of the Board of BLME Holdings plc and Bank of London and The Middle East plc said; “I would like to thank Michael for his nine years of service, support and guidance to the Board. His experience and advice to me and the Board has been invaluable, and I am very pleased that he is staying on as Chairman of Walbrook.”

### Appointment of Abdul-Salam Mohammed Al-Saleh as Deputy Chairman

BLME Holdings plc announces the appointment of Abdul-Salam Mohammed Al-Saleh as Deputy Chairman with effect from 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Mr. Al-Saleh was appointed as a Non-Executive Director of the Company on 26 June 2020 and is a member of the Nominations and Remuneration Committee. Mr. Saleh is the Chief Executive Officer - Corporate Banking, Financial Control, Treasury and Legal Affairs at Boubyan Bank and has over 33 years’ experience in banking.

Adel Al Majed, Chairman of the Board of BLME Holdings plc said; “I am delighted that Abdul-Salam will be taking on the role of Deputy Chairman to help guide BLME through its next, exciting strategic chapter as we strive to become the UK’s leading provider of Sharia’a compliant wealth management solutions for GCC nationals.”

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### Notes to editors

Mr. Al-Saleh joined Boubyan Bank in October 2012 and has more than 33 years of banking experience. He worked for 18 years at NBK, where he gained experience in Financial Control and Corporate Banking; and his last position was the Head of Domestic Corporate Banking. Prior to joining the Bank, he worked over 7 years for National Bank of Abu Dhabi (NBAD) as the Regional Manager of its branch in Kuwait. Mr. Al-Saleh obtained his bachelor’s degree in Finance from Kuwait University, and attended various executive management development programs over the course of his career

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