In this Annual Report, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms shall have the meanings set out below:

Terms	Meanings
"ABS"	Asset-backed Securities
"ADR"	American Depositary Receipt
"ADS(s)"	American Depositary Share(s)
"ALCO"	the Asset and Liability Management Committee
"AT1"	Additional Tier 1
"ATM"	Automated Teller Machine
"Associates"	has the meaning ascribed to "associates" in the Listing Rules
"BOC"	Bank of China Limited, a joint stock commercial bank with limited liability established under the laws of the PRC, the H shares and A shares of which are listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and the Shanghai Stock Exchange respectively
"BOC (BVI)"	BOC Hong Kong (BVI) Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of the British Virgin Islands and a wholly-owned subsidiary of BOCHKG
"BOCCC"	BOC Credit Card (International) Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of Hong Kong and a wholly-owned subsidiary of BOCHK
"BOCG Insurance"	Bank of China Group Insurance Company Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of Hong Kong and a wholly-owned subsidiary of BOC
"BOCHK Charitable Foundation"	Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited Charitable Foundation (formerly known as the "Bank of China Group Charitable Foundation"), a charitable foundation being established in July 1994
"BOCHKG"	BOC Hong Kong (Group) Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of Hong Kong and a wholly-owned subsidiary of BOC
"BOCHK" or "the Bank"	Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of Hong Kong and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company
"BOCI"	BOC International Holdings Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of Hong Kong and a wholly-owned subsidiary of BOC
"BOCI-Prudential Manager"	BOCI-Prudential Asset Management Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of Hong Kong, in which BOCI Asset Management Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of BOC International Holdings Limited, and Prudential Corporation Holdings Limited hold equity interests of 64% and 36% respectively
"BOCI-Prudential Trustee"	BOCI-Prudential Trustee Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of Hong Kong, in which BOC Group Trustee Company Limited and Prudential Corporation Holdings Limited hold equity interests of 64% and 36% respectively
"BOCG Life"	BOC Group Life Assurance Company Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of Hong Kong, in which the Group and BOCG Insurance hold equity interests of 51% and 49% respectively
"Board" or "Board of Directors"	the Board of Directors of the Company

Terms	Meanings
"CAS"	China Accounting Standards for Business Enterprises
"CE"	Chief Executive
"CET1"	Common Equity Tier 1
"CFO"	Chief Financial Officer
"CIC"	China Investment Corporation
"CRM"	Credit Risk Mitigation
"CRO"	Chief Risk Officer
"CVA"	Credit Valuation Adjustment
"Central Huijin"	Central Huijin Investment Ltd.
"Chiyu"	Chiyu Banking Corporation Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of Hong Kong, in which BOCHK holds an equity interest of 70.49%
"DCE"	Deputy Chief Executive
"DVA"	Debit Valuation Adjustment
"EAD"	Exposure at Default
"ECAI(s)"	External Credit Assessment Institution(s)
"EL"	Expected Loss
"ETF"	Exchange Traded Fund
"EURIBOR"	Euro Interbank Offered Rate
"EV"	Economic Value Sensitivity Ratio
"FIRB"	Foundation Internal Ratings-based
"Fitch"	Fitch Ratings
"GDP"	Gross Domestic Product
"HIBOR"	Hong Kong Interbank Offered Rate
"HKAS(s)"	Hong Kong Accounting Standard(s)
"HKFRS(s)"	Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standard(s)
"HK GAAP"	Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in Hong Kong
"HKICPA"	Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants
"HK(IFRIC)-Int"	Hong Kong (IFRIC) Interpretation
"HKMA"	Hong Kong Monetary Authority
"HK(SIC)-Int"	Hong Kong (SIC) Interpretation
"Hong Kong" or "Hong Kong SAR" or "HKSAR"	Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
"ICAAP"	Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process
"IFRS"	International Financial Reporting Standards
"IMM"	Internal Models
"IPO"	Initial Public Offering
"IRB"	Internal Ratings-based
"IT"	Information Technology

"LGD" "LIBOR" "LSC" "Listing Rules"	Loss Given Default London Interbank Offered Rate Legal Services Centre the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited Mortgage-backed Securities
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	Mortgage-backed Securities
"MBS"	5 5
"MC"	the Management Committee
"MPF"	Mandatory Provident Fund
"MPF Schemes Ordinance"	the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance, Chapter 485 of the Laws of Hong Kong, as amended
"MSCI Index"	Morgan Stanley Capital International Index
"Mainland" or "Mainland of China"	the mainland of the PRC
"Medium Term Note Programme"	the medium term note programme was established by BOCHK on 2 September 2011
"Moody's"	Moody's Investors Service
"NCB"	Nanyang Commercial Bank, Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of Hong Kong and a wholly-owned subsidiary of BOCHK
"NCB (China)"	Nanyang Commercial Bank (China), Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of the PRC and a wholly-owned subsidiary of NCB
"OR&CD"	the Operational Risk & Compliance Department
"ORSO schemes"	the Occupational Retirement Schemes under Occupational Retirement Schemes Ordinance, Chapter 426 of the Laws of Hong Kong
"OTC"	Over-the-counter
"PD"	Probability of Default
"PRC"	the People's Republic of China
"PVBP"	Price Value of a Basis Point
"QDIIs"	Qualified Domestic Institutional Investors
"QFII"	Qualified Foreign Institutional Investors
"RC"	the Risk Committee
"RMB" or "Renminbi"	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC
"RMD"	the Risk Management Department
"RQFII"	Renminbi Qualified Foreign Institutional Investors
"RWA"	Risk-weighted Assets
"SC"	Steering Committee
"SFO"	the Securities and Futures Ordinance, Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong
"SME(s)"	Small and Medium-sized Enterprise(s)
"STC"	Standardised (Credit Risk)
"STM"	Standardised (Market Risk)
"STO"	Standardised (Operational Risk)

Terms	Meanings
"Standard & Poor's"	Standard & Poor's Ratings Services
"Stock Exchange" or "Hong Kong Stock Exchange" or "Stock Exchange of Hong Kong"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
"the Company"	BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of Hong Kong
"the Group"	the Company and its subsidiaries collectively referred as the Group
"UK"	United Kingdom
"US"	the United States of America
"VAR"	Value at Risk