



# AGRICULTURAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED

U.S. RESOLUTION PLAN

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#### 2022 Resolution Plan - Public Section

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The 2022 U.S. resolution plan (the "2022 Plan") of Agricultural Bank of China Limited (the "Bank") is being filed pursuant to implementing regulations (the "Resolution Plan Rule") issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Board") and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") under Section 165(d) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act"), as amended by the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act ("EGRRCPA"). This is the public section of the Bank's 2022 Plan.

The Resolution Plan Rule states that any foreign bank or company that is treated as a bank holding company pursuant to Section 8(a) of the International Banking Act of 1978 (the "**IBA**") and has \$250 billion or more in global total consolidated assets is a "**Covered Company**." A Covered Company is required to periodically submit to the Board and the FDIC a plan for such company's rapid and orderly resolution of its U.S. operations in the event of material financial distress or failure.<sup>3</sup>

The Bank is organized under the laws of the People's Republic of China ("China"). Because the Bank maintains an uninsured state-licensed branch in New York, the Bank is treated as a bank holding company pursuant to Section 8(a) of the IBA. The global total consolidated assets of the Bank exceeded \$250 billion as of December 31, 2021. As a result, the Bank is deemed a Covered Company. In addition, the Bank is a Triennial Reduced Filer as such term is defined in the Resolution Plan Rule and is required to file a reduced resolution plan for 2022.<sup>4</sup>

Under the requirements of the Resolution Plan Rule, the Bank is required to assess its U.S. operations for the presence of "Material Entities," "Critical Operations," and "Core Business Lines." The Bank performed this assessment and determined that were no "Material Entities," "Critical Operations," or "Core Business Lines," each term as defined in the Resolution Plan Rule.

Overview of the Bank

The Resolution Plan Rule is codified by the Board in 12 C.F.R. Part 243 and by the FDIC in 12 C.F.R. Part 381. Citations to the Resolution Plan Rule in this 2022 Plan are to the regulations as codified by the Board.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See 12 C.F.R. § 243.2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See 12 C.F.R. § 243.4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See 12 C.F.R. § 243.4(c).



The predecessor of the Bank was Agricultural Cooperative Bank established in 1951. Since the resumption of establishment in February 1979, the Bank has evolved from a state-owned specialized bank to a wholly state-owned commercial bank and subsequently a state-controlled commercial bank. The Bank was restructured into a joint stock limited liability company in January 2009. In July 2010, the Bank was listed on both the Shanghai Stock Exchange and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

The Bank is one of the major integrated financial service providers in China, aiming at high-quality development, highlighting the two positions of "a leading bank serving rural revitalization" and "a major bank serving the real economy", and fully implementing the three strategies in Sannong and County Areas, green finance and digital operation. Capitalizing on its comprehensive business portfolio, extensive distribution network and advanced IT platform, the Bank provides a diverse portfolio of corporate and retail banking products and services for a broad range of customers and conducts treasury operations and asset management. Our business scope also includes, among other things, investment banking, fund management, financial leasing and life insurance.

As of the end of 2021, the Bank had 22,807 domestic branch outlets and a total of 455,174 in-service employees. The assets, liabilities, capital and major funding sources of the Bank are set forth in detail in the Bank's 2021 annual report, which is available at: <a href="http://www.abchina.com/en/investor-relations/performance-reports/annual-reports/">http://www.abchina.com/en/investor-relations/performance-reports/annual-reports/</a>.

The Bank's New York Branch (the "New York Branch"), its only office in the United States, is a wholesale banking branch with no retail customers and its deposits are not insured by the FDIC.

The New York Branch currently has the following funding sources: support from the Bank's head office ("**Head Office**"); issuances of negotiable certificates of deposit and commercial paper; borrowing in the interbank money market (foreign as well as local federal funds); customer demand and time deposits; and medium-term notes.

The New York Branch utilizes a core banking system housed in China that supports the New York Branch on a 24/7 basis. Technology support includes maintenance, daily operations, emergency response, and required systems fixes or enhancements, as well as ad-hoc requests. This system is modular in nature, meaning loans, money market, FX and other modules all point to the general ledger for fully integrated data. The system also utilizes multi-currency functionality, which states balances in original and base currency terms.

The New York Branch is a direct participant in the Fedwire Funds Service ("Fedwire"). Fedwire is a real-time gross settlement system owned and operated by the Federal Reserve Banks in which participants initiate payment orders that are individually processed and, once funds are transferred, settled in central bank money in real time upon receipt. Through Fedwire, the settlement of funds is immediate, final and irrevocable.



The New York Branch is also a member of the Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication ("SWIFT"). SWIFT provides a network that enables financial institutions to send and receive secure, standardized and reliable messages to and from counterparties.

#### I. THE NAMES OF MATERIAL ENTITIES

The term "Material Entity" is defined in the Resolution Plan Rule as "a subsidiary or foreign office of the covered company that is significant to the activities of an identified critical operation or core business line, or is financially or operationally significant to the resolution of the covered company." The Bank has determined that it does not have any Material Entities in the United States for purposes of the Resolution Plan.

#### II. A DESCRIPTION OF CORE BUSINESS LINES

The term "Core Business Lines" is defined in the Resolution Plan Rule as "those business lines of the covered company, including associated operations, services, functions and support, that, in the view of the covered company, upon failure would result in a material loss of revenue, profit, or franchise value." Based on both quantitative and qualitative analyses, the Bank has determined that it has no Core Business Lines in the United States for purposes of the Resolution Plan.

#### III. THE IDENTITIES OF MATERIAL SUPERVISORY AUTHORITIES

The Bank is regulated and supervised by the China Banking and Insurance Regulatory Commission ("CBIRC"). The CBIRC is China's primary banking and insurance supervisor and regulator. It is responsible for the comprehensive consolidated supervision of Chinese banking and insurance organizations.

The Bank is also subject to regulation and supervision by the People's Bank of China ("PBOC"). The PBOC is China's central bank and primary supervisor for anti-money laundering matters. The PBOC administers monetary policy and regulates financial institutions in China to ensure overall financial stability. It also manages payment, clearing and settlement systems of the banking sector.

In addition, the China Securities Regulatory Commission ("CSRC") is the primary securities regulator for the Bank. The CSRC is responsible for the oversight of publicly traded companies and the provision of custody services to investment funds. The State Administration of Foreign Exchange supervises the Bank's foreign exchange and settlement transactions.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 12 C.F.R. § 243.2.

<sup>6 12</sup> C.F.R. § 243.2.



The Hong Kong Monetary Authority ("**HKMA**") is responsible for maintaining monetary and banking stability in Hong Kong. It is responsible for regulating and supervising banking and deposit-taking in Hong Kong. The Bank has a branch operation in Hong Kong and is publicly listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, and is therefore subject to the supervision of the HKMA.

The New York Branch is a state-licensed, uninsured wholesale banking branch. As such, it is subject to the regulation and supervision of the New York State Department of Financial Services ("NYSDFS"). The NYSDFS also subjects the New York Branch to on-site examinations.

The Board and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York ("FRBNY") are the Bank's federal supervisors in the United States. The Board and the FRBNY supervise the New York Branch and subject the New York Branch to on-site examinations.

#### IV. THE IDENTITIES OF THE PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

The following chart provides the name and titles for the principal officers of the Bank and its New York Branch:

Executive Directors of the Bank			
Name	Title		
	Chairman of the Board of Directors, Executive		
GU Shu	Director		
ZHANG Qingsong	Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors,		
ZHANG Qingsong	Executive Director, President		
ZHANG Xuguang	Executive Director, Executive Vice President		
LIN Li	Executive Director, Executive Vice President		
Non-Executive Directors of the Bank			
Name	Title		
LIAO Luming	Non-executive Director		
LI Wei	Non-executive Director		
ZHOU Ji	Non-executive Director		
LIU Xiaopeng	Non-executive Director		
XIAO Xiang	Non-executive Director		
Independent Non-Executive Directors of the Bank			
Name	Title		
WANG Xinxin	Independent Non-executive Director		
HUANG Zhenzhong	Independent Non-executive Director		
LEUNG KO May Yee, Margaret	Independent Non-executive Director		
LIU Shouying	Independent Non-executive Director		
WU Liansheng	Independent Non-executive Director		



Board of Supervisors of the Bank				
Name	Title			
WANG E. 1	Chairman of the Board of Supervisors,			
WANG Jingdong	Supervisor Representing Shareholders			
FAN Jianqiang	Supervisor Representing Shareholders			
WANG Xuejun	Supervisor Representing Employees			
WU Gang	Supervisor Representing Employees			
HUANG Tao	Supervisor Representing Employees			
LIU Hongxia	External Supervisor			
XU Xianglin	External Supervisor			
WANG Xixin	External Supervisor			
Senior Management of the Bank				
Name	Title			
ZIIANC Oinggong	Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors,			
ZHANG Qingsong	Executive Director, President			
ZHANG Xuguang	Executive Director, Executive Vice President			
LIN Li	Executive Director, Executive Vice President			
CUI Yong	Executive Vice President			
ZHANG Yi	Executive Vice President			
LI Zhicheng	Chief Risk Officer			
HAN Guoqiang	Secretary to the Board of Directors			
Principal Officers of the New York Branch				
Name	Title			
FANG Min	General Manager			
ZHANG Zhaojie	Deputy General Manager			
WANG Chaonan	Deputy General Manager			
JI Yanmin	Deputy General Manager			
Lisa PRAGER	Deputy General Manager/General Counsel			
Jarrod NEWMAN	Chief Compliance Officer			
Daniel HARRIS	Chief Audit Executive			

## V. A DESCRIPTION, AT A HIGH LEVEL, OF THE COVERED COMPANY'S RESOLUTION STRATEGY

As stated previously, the Bank does not have any nonbanking Material Entities, Core Business Lines or Critical Operations that are domiciled in the United States or conducted in whole or material part in the United States. The Bank therefore respectfully submits that this requirement is not applicable. Notwithstanding the forgoing and for information purpose only, the Bank expects that any resolution of the New York Branch will be conducted by the NYSDFS. Under the New York resolution proceeding, the NYSDFS would marshal and liquidate the assets of the New York Branch in the United States and distribute the proceeds to creditors of the New York Branch.