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### **WILMAR INTERNATIONAL LIMITED APPOINTS CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

*Singapore, August 4, 2008* - Wilmar International Limited (Wilmar), Asia's leading agri-business group, today announced the appointment of Mr Heng Hang Song Francis as Chief Financial Officer with effect from 1 September 2008. He will be reporting to Executive Director, Mr Chua Phuay Hee.

Francis, 48, is currently serving notice as the Group CFO at Singapore Telecommunications Limited. He has previously worked for major international companies including Singapore Technologies Engineering, Hongkong Land, Jardine Matheson and Tetra Pak group.

Starting with a career in banking with United Overseas Bank upon graduation, Francis subsequently served the Monetary Authority of Singapore in foreign reserve management and had also worked for JP Morgan. He has lived and worked in New York, London, Switzerland, Hong Kong and Singapore.

Mr Kuok Khoo Hong, Chairman and CEO, Wilmar, said, "We are pleased to welcome Francis to Wilmar. He has strong corporate and financial expertise gained from well established conglomerates and financial institutions and work experiences overseas.

As Wilmar is rapidly expanding in Asia and beyond, we look forward to Francis' contributions as a key member of our management team."

A graduate from the National University of Singapore with a Business Administration degree in 1984, Francis completed the Program for Global Leadership at Harvard Business School in 2000. In 1983, he was awarded a Japan AirLines Summer Scholarship to study at Sophia University in Tokyo.

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