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APPOINTMENT OF NEW DIRECTOR

Folkestone Ltd is pleased to announce that Michael Parkinson has accepted an invitation to join the Board of Folkestone as a non-executive director effective from 19 December 2005.

Mr Parkinson was a non-executive director of IOOF Holdings Ltd and its predecessor, IOOF Ltd from 1966 to 2005. He was Chair of their Governance, Compliance and Risk Committee and a director of IOOF Investment Management Ltd and IOOF Life Ltd.

He Spent 12 years with Citibank in Australia from 1971 with senior management roles in corporate and merchant banking. Prior to this, he was Managing Director of Grindlays Australia for five years. Previous experience included several years with Unilever in the United Kingdom. For the past 20 years, he has run his own corporate advisory business specialising in investment opportunities.

Mr Parkinson was awarded a CBE in 1990 and is past Federal Chairman of the Australian-British Chamber of Commerce.

The Folkestone Board is confident that shareholders will benefit from the fund management and investment skills that Mr Parkinson will bring to the company.

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