



**Board Appointment at AIB
6th September 2007**

Allied Irish Banks, p.l.c. (“AIB”) [NYSE: AIB] is pleased to announce the appointment today of Mr Stephen Kingon, as a Non-Executive Director.

Mr. Kingon, who recently retired as Managing Partner of PricewaterhouseCoopers, in Northern Ireland, is Chairman of Invest Northern Ireland, the key economic development agency, and is Chairman of the Centre for Competitiveness. He is a member of the Economic Development Forum, which advises Ministers on issues relating to the development and future competitiveness of the Northern Ireland economy. He co-chairs the North/South Roundtable Group, which seeks to improve the competitiveness of the Island economy.

Mr. Kingon is a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland and of the Institute of Business and Management Consultants. He is a past-President of the Northern Ireland Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and past-Chairman of: Business in the Community in Northern Ireland; the Ulster Society of Chartered Accountants; and the Institute of Management Consultancy in Northern Ireland.

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