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### **AIA GROUP APPOINTS GORDON WATSON AS REGIONAL MANAGING DIRECTOR**

**HONG KONG, 17 NOVEMBER 2010** – AIA Group Limited, (“AIA”; stock code: 1299), now the largest, independent listed pan-Asian life insurance group in the world today announced the appointment of Gordon Watson as Regional Managing Director effective January 1, 2011. Mr. Watson will be based in Hong Kong.

Mr. Mark Tucker, AIA Group Executive Chairman & Chief Executive Officer said: “Gordon is no stranger to AIA as he has been with AIG and AIA for over 25 years. His deep and broad knowledge of AIA and its operations across the region coupled with his excellent track record in managing businesses and executing strategic change make him a very valuable addition to AIA’s management team. I am confident that Gordon’s experience will enable us to further boost and expand AIA’s business as we focus on the delivery and execution of our business strategy.”

Mr. Watson will be joining AIA from ALICO where he was most recently Global Vice Chairman and Regional CEO for ALICO Japan. Prior to this position, he served as Global Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Watson has also played a key role in the completion of the sale of ALICO to MetLife.

Mr. Watson holds an MBA from the University of Hull in the UK and is a Fellow of the Chartered Insurance Institute.

Commented Mr. Watson: “AIA is a world-class organisation with some of the best people in the industry. I am very excited about re-joining AIA and am honoured to work with a very talented team under Mark’s leadership.”

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## **About the AIA Group**

The AIA Group Limited (AIA) is the largest, independent listed pan-Asian life insurance group in the world, with an unparalleled footprint spanning 15 markets in Asia Pacific. The Group has total assets of approximately US\$90 billion and traces its roots in the region back more than 90 years.

AIA meets the savings and protection needs of individuals and businesses by offering a comprehensive suite of products and services covering life insurance, retirement planning, accident and health insurance, as well as wealth management solutions. Through an extensive network of more than 300,000 agents and over 24,000 employees across Asia Pacific, AIA serves the holders of over 23 million individual policies and over 10 million participating members of group policies.

AIA has branch offices, subsidiaries and affiliates located in jurisdictions across the region including Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, China, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam, Australia, New Zealand, Macau and Brunei.

AIA is listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited under the stock code '1299'.

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