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Dr Brian Scott retires from the ANZ Board after 20 years

ANZ today announced Dr Brian Scott's retirement from the ANZ Board after having served as a Director for 20 years.

Dr Scott has served on the ANZ Board since August 1985 and having reached the age of 70, is required to retire in accordance with ANZ's Constitution. Most recently Dr Scott has served as Chairman of the Board's Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee and a Member of the Compensation and Human Resources Committee.

ANZ Chairman Mr Charles Goode said: "Brian Scott has made an enormous contribution to ANZ over the past 20 years. His keen intellect, command of the English language, quiet wisdom and the ability to foster a collaborative environment at all levels has underpinned a very high quality and unique contribution to ANZ.

"Brian has been a leader in Board deliberations on human resource issues and governance. This includes his contribution in more recent times where ANZ has had a major focus on cultural change and there has been increased regulatory and shareholder interest in corporate governance. We have also benefited from his keen interest and knowledge of East Asian countries.

"As with John Dahlsen who also retired earlier this year, Brian Scott's contribution to Board deliberations has shown the benefit of having Directors with long-standing institutional knowledge of the company and who have experienced all phases of the economic cycle," Mr Goode said.

During 2004 three Directors were added to the ANZ Board to provide for the transitioning associated with the planned retirement of Mr John Dahlsen and Dr Brian Scott during 2005.

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