



PRESS RELEASE

RESIGNATION OF A DIRECTOR

Siena, December 29th 2005 – It is announced that, for health reasons, Mr. Emilio Gnutti has resigned from the Board of Directors of Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena SpA, of which he was also Vice President.

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