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PRESS RELEASE

BMPS decision concerning Finsoe capital increase

Siena, 28 July 2005 - The Board of Directors of Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena SpA met today under the chairmanship of Professor Pier Luigi Fabrizi. As regards the extraordinary general meeting of FINSOE SpA shareholders due to take place today – and that has a paid capital increase on the agenda – the Board decided:

- to attend the shareholders' meeting and vote in favour of the planned capital increase;
- not to exercise the right of option on the FINSOE SpA shares that will be issued to implement the said capital increase.

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