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# FORM 6-K

### REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of April 2005

# **National Australia Bank Limited**

ACN 004 044 937

(Registrant s Name)

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**MELBOURNE VICTORIA 3000** 

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	Group Corporate Affairs
	National Australia Bank Limited ABN 12004044937
ASX Announcement	500 Bourke Street Melbourne Victoria 3000 Australia
	Melbourne, Thursday 14 April 2005
MLC to Acquire Remaining Interests in HKMLC Holdings Limited	
MLC Limited (MLC) said it would acquire the remaining interests in Hl of the National Group s Hong Kong wealth management business.	KMLC Holdings Limited (HKMLC), the joint venture holding company
MLC currently owns approximately 62% of HKMLC and the transaction is expected to be approximately A\$145 million.	n will take its ownership to 100%. The cost of this transaction to MLC
MLC said it was pleased the minority shareholders had exercised an opt HKMLC.	ion requiring MLC to purchase all of the outstanding interests in
The option was part of the joint venture documentation agreed in Noven	aber 2000.
The transaction is subject to receiving all applicable regulatory approval	S.
There is no impact on jobs as a result of the transaction. Customer relati	ionships, policies and benefits are also unaffected by the change.
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National Australia Bank Limited ABN 12004044937

500 Bourke Street Melbourne Victoria 3000 Australia

Melbourne, Monday 18 April 2005

#### **ASX Announcement**

#### NAB to re-open its Foreign Exchange Options Desk

National Australia Bank (NAB) announced today it will re-open its foreign exchange options desk on 9 May 2005.

The re-opening of the foreign exchange options desk has been approved by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) and follows the completion of the specific requirements stipulated for reopening the desk.

In respect of the overall APRA remedial actions program, 72 of the 81 requirements have been submitted to APRA to date. Of these, 30 items have closed.

John Stewart, Chief Executive, said We have reached a milestone in the remedial actions program and will continue to work closely with APRA to complete the program. We have made good progress but we envisage that it will take some time to close out the remaining actions.

Commenting on the re-opening Mr John Hooper, Executive General Manager, Institutional Markets & Services, said: We look forward to restoring our presence and meeting the broader foreign exchange needs of our client base.

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### **Note to Editors:**

Institutional Markets & Services (IMS) is one of National Australia Bank Group s four business lines. A global product and services group, IMS is responsible for providing risk management, funding and investment solutions across all of the Group s client segments and is responsible for relationship management of the Financial Institutions segment on a global basis and the New York branch.

IMS consists of the following divisions:
Markets
Structured Products
Credit Products
Portfolio Management & Loan Syndications
Financial Institutions
New York Branch
Services
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### SIGNATURE PAGE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorised.

NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LIMITED

Susan Crook

Date: 18 April 2005 Title: Associate Company Secretary

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