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**BLADEX ANNOUNCES QUARTERLY DIVIDEND PAYMENT  
FOR THIRD QUARTER 2006**

Panama City, Republic of Panama, September 21, 2006 - Banco Latinoamericano de Exportaciones, S.A. (Bladex) (NYSE: BLX), announced today that the \$0.1875 per share quarterly cash dividend corresponding to the third quarter of 2006 and approved by the Board of Directors on January 31, 2006, is payable on October 16, 2006 to stockholders of record as of October 6, 2006.

As of August 31, 2006, Bladex had 36,327,939.70 common shares outstanding of all classes.

Bladex is a supranational bank originally established by the Central Banks of Latin America and Caribbean countries to promote trade finance in the Region. Based in Panama, its shareholders include central and state-owned entities in 23 countries of the Region, as well as Latin American and international commercial banks, and institutional and retail investors.

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