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NOTIFICATION

To

ALL REGISTERED ESTATE AGENTS

Date:

18 February 2022

Dear Sir/ Madam

BANK NEGARA MALAYSIA'S AML/CFT NEWSLETTER 01/2022 NEW CHANGES TO FATF RECOMMENDATIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO INVOCATION OF AMLA WITH INFOGRAPHICS

The Board has received an email dated 15 February 2022 from Bank Negara Malaysia with regards to the new changes to FATF recommendations and amendments to invocation of AMLA with infographics.

All information stated has been extracted from BNM's email to the Board.

Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) wishes to inform that we have issued BNM's AML/CFT Newsletter 01/2022. The highlights are as follow:

a. Application of Group Wide Programmes on DFNBPs - New Changes to FATF Recommendations In October 2021, the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) adopted the amendments to Recommendation 23 and the FATF Glossary to clarify how the existing requirements in Recommendation 18 to implement group-wide programmes against money laundering (ML) and terrorist financing (TF) to apply to Designated Non-Financial Businesses and Professions (DNFBPs). The Explanatory Materials provide more explanation on the concepts of common ownership, management compliance and group wide implementation of compliance programmes for DNFBPs.

The FATF Explanatory Materials can be accessed here:

https://www.fatf-

gafi.org/media/fatf/documents/recommendations/pdfs/Explanatory-Materials-R18-R23.pdf

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b. Amendments to Invocation of AMLA on Accountants, Lawyers. Company Secretaries and Registered Estate Agents Effective 30 December 2021, the reporting obligations under Part IV of the AMLA are expanded to be applicable not only on individuals but also at the firm level, when lawyers, accountants and company secretaries reporting institutions carry out Gazetted Activities. Similarly, the invocation of AMLA is expanded to registered estate agents (REAs) at the firms' level.

The relevant Gazzete Orders can be accessed here:

For Lawyers & Accountants -

http://amlcft.bnm.gov.my/NL/Amendments to Invocation of Part IV Obligations for Lawyers and Accountants.pdf

For Company Secretaries -

http://amlcft.bnm.gov.my/NL/Amendments to Invocation of Part IV Obligations for Company Secretaries.pdf

For REAs -

http://amlcft.bnm.gov.my/NL/Amendments to Invocation of Part IV Obligations for REAs.pdf

To view the infographics on the Invocation of AMLA requirements as stated above, can be accessed here: http://amlcft.bnm.gov.my/NL/Implication of 2021 Gazette Order Infographic. pdf

The newsletter link as stated below:

http://amlcft.bnm.gov.my/NL/Newsletter 1 2022.pdf

We thank you for the continuous support to BNM's AML/CFT initiatives.

Please be guided accordingly.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

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Registrar

BOARD OF VALUERS, APPRAISERS, ESTATE AGENTS

AND PROPERTY MANAGERS

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