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The Chief Executive Officer

Ancillary Service Providers,
Financing Companies,
Microfinance Institutions,
Representative Offices,
Manama
Kingdom of Bahrain

Dear Sir,

CBB Rulebook: Volume 5 (All Specialised Licensees)
January 2021 Quarterly Update

The January 2021 quarterly update to Volume 5 has now been incorporated in the website version of the Rulebook.¹

Changes for January 2021

The changes for January 2021 are listed in the attached table.

All Specialised Licensees must ensure that all relevant staff are informed of the latest amendments and that where needed, appropriate action is taken to ensure full compliance. Licensees which are not in full compliance must notify the CBB with immediate effect and provide an action plan for compliance on a quarterly basis.

Further Information

Should you have any queries regarding these updates, you may contact the normal supervisory point of contact or the CBB Rulebook team at e-mail: rulebook@cbb.gov.bh.

Yours faithfully,


Khalid Hamad Al-Hamad

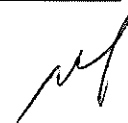
Enclosure: Volume 5 Update Table.

¹ Volume 5 can be accessed from www.cbb.gov.bh : from the Home page, select 'Regulatory Functions' and then 'Laws & Regulations' and CBB Rulebook. Alternatively, use the 'Quick Links' facility on the Home page to access the Volume 5.

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PART A FOLDER Common Modules		
Module Code	Module Title	Summary of Changes and Printing Instructions
FC	Financial Crime	FC-1.1.5A Added a new Paragraph on onboarding of customers by financing companies.
		FC-1.1.5B Added a new Paragraph on enhanced due diligence for high risk profiles.
		FC-3.1.5 Added a new Paragraph on rejecting payment transactions.
		FC-6.1.6A Added a new Paragraph on requirements to hire new employees.

PART A FOLDER Ancillary Service Providers		
Module Code	Module Title	Summary of Changes and Printing Instructions
AU	Authorisation	AU-3.2.13A Added a new Paragraph on compliance of approved persons with the fit and proper requirement.
		AU-5.2.2A Added a new guidance clarifying the applicable fees for licensees.
BR	CBB Reporting Requirements	BR-1.1.6 Amended Paragraph on audited clients money report.
		BR-1.1.7 Added a new Paragraph on audited clients money.
GR	General Requirements	GR-12 Added a new Chapter on Information Security.



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PART A FOLDER Financing Companies		
Module Code	Module Title	Summary of Changes and Printing Instructions
AU	Authorisation	AU-4.3.10A Added a new Paragraph on compliance of approved persons with the fit and proper requirement.
GR	General Requirements	GR-7 Added a new Chapter on Prepaid Cards.
OM	Operational Risk Management	OM-2.9.4 Deleted sub-paragraph (a). OM-3.1.7 Added a new Paragraph on electronic fraud. OM-3.1.8 Added a new Paragraph on electronic fraud awareness.

PART A FOLDER Microfinancing Institutions		
Module Code	Module Title	Summary of Changes and Printing Instructions
AU	Authorisation	AU-4.2.10A Added a new Paragraph on compliance of approved persons with the fit and proper requirement.

PART A FOLDER Representative Offices		
Module Code	Module Title	Summary of Changes and Printing Instructions
AU	Authorisation	AU-4.2.8 Added a new Paragraph on compliance of approved persons with the fit and proper requirement.