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To: CEOs/GMs/MDs of Financial Institutions

Dear Sir/Madam,

## Implementation of AML/CFT measures on parties involved with online payment platforms

The FIU has observed serious deficiencies in the implementation of Anti Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism (AML/CFT) measures carried out on the parties involved (customers and merchants), in the different online payment platforms introduced by Financial Institutions (FIs) during the recent past.

The facilitating financial institution of the respective online payment system has the responsibility to ensure the AML/CFT compliance of all parties involved with such online payment platforms to ensure compliance with Financial Transactions Reporting Act, No. 6 of 2006 (FTRA), Financial Institutions (Customer Due Diligence) Rules, No. 1 of 2016 and other rules, regulations, guidelines issued thereunder in relation to followings, for parties involved with such online payment platforms.

- identification and verification of customers
- > conduct ongoing due diligence on customers and scrutiny of transactions
- identification and reporting of Suspicious Transactions
- > wire transfer requirements (in particular, originating financial institution shall make originator information available to the beneficiary financial institution)
- > targeted financial sanctions screening
- > record keeping
- > other reporting requirements

Yours faithfully,

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