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Public Debt Department

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February 14, 2013

To: Chief Executive Officers of Licensed Commercial Banks

Appointment of Licensed Commercial Banks as Primary Dealers

1. The Central Bank of Sri Lanka has decided to appoint Licensed Commercial Banks as Primary Dealers, subject to the following terms and conditions stipulated in the Local Treasury bills (Primary Dealers) Regulations No. 1 of 2009 and Registered Stock and Securities (Primary Dealers) Regulations No. 1 of 2009 made by the Hon. Minister of Finance.
 - (i) The Licensed Commercial Bank shall maintain separate books of accounts in respect of activities relating to Primary Dealers (Government Securities);
 - (ii) The Licensed Commercial Bank shall not have on its Board of Directors, a director or an employee of another Primary Dealer Company;
 - (iii) The Primary Dealer (Government Securities) operations of a Licensed Commercial Bank shall be headed by a qualified and competent person holding a senior management position in such Bank who shall devote his/her full time to such Primary Dealer operations;
 - (iv) The Licensed Commercial Bank shall be subject to operating guidelines and prudential requirements imposed by the Central Bank, from time to time, in respect of Primary Dealer activities and operations; and
 - (v) The Primary Dealer (Government Securities) activities and operations of a Licensed Commercial Bank shall be monitored and supervised by the Central Bank.
2. Effective from 14.02.2013, Licensed Commercial Banks are exempted from the requirements on Risk Weighted Capital Adequacy Framework (RWCAF) for Primary Dealers stipulated in the Direction No. 08/24/002/0005/006 dated 22.06.2006 issued by the Superintendent of Public Debt.
3. The Licensed Commercial Banks who wish to be appointed as Primary Dealers in Government Securities may send their applications to the Superintendent, Public Debt Department, Central Bank of Sri Lanka, No. 30, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1.

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