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Press Release

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The Standard Credit Finance Limited - Cancellation of Licence issued under the Finance Business Act No. 42 of 2011 and Certificate of Registration issued under the Finance Leasing Act No. 56 of 2000

The Standard Credit Finance Limited (TSCFL), a Licensed Finance Company licensed under the Finance Business Act No. 42 of 2011 (FBA) was facing liquidity crisis since 2008. Depositors of the company have been unable to withdraw their money over the last ten years. All efforts made to revive the company through different strategies have been failed. The continuity of current status will further detrimental to the interest of depositors and other stakeholders of the company.

Therefore, Monetary Board of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, has decided to cancel the Licence issued to TSCFL under the FBA with effect from 25th July 2018. Accordingly, TSCFL is not permitted to engage in Finance Business under the FBA with effect from 25th July 2018.

Further, the Director of the Department of Supervision of Non- Bank Financial Institutions of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka has decided to cancel the Certificate of Registration of TSCFL as a Registered Finance Leasing Establishment under the provisions of the Finance Leasing Act No. 56 of 2000 (FLA) with effect from 25th July 2018. Accordingly, TSCFL is not permitted to grant new finance lease facilities under FLA with effect from 25th July 2018.

Sri Lanka Deposit Insurance and Liquidity Support Scheme (SLDILSS) will take necessary actions to pay compensation to the insured depositors of TSCFL up to a maximum of Rs.600,000/- per depositor as per the regulations of the SLDILSS. Further, depositors may be able to recover part of their remaining deposits in the process of liquidation subject to the priority of claims.

All debtors of the company are required to pay their dues to the company through a Bank account announced by the company.

Central Bank of Sri Lanka wishes to emphasize that legal actions will be taken against the responsible parties for the mismanagement and fraudulent activities of the company.