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## Chief Executive Officer / General Manager

All Banks
All Financing Companies
All Investment Firms Category 1 and 2
All Life Insurance Providers
All Trust Service Providers
Manama
Kingdom of Bahrain

Dear Sir,

## Re: Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA)

In light of the recent progress towards reaching agreement with the US authorities, Kingdom of Bahrain has been included in the US Treasury Department list. The full list can be found at the following link:

http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/tax-policy/treaties/Pages/FATCA-Archive.aspx

The CBB requires all banks and financial institutions to modify their registration with the US Internal Revenue Service "IRS" to be in line with Model 1B IGA Agreement. The updated GIINs must be sent to the CBB electronically to the attention of Mr. Ahmed Bumtaia, Director – Compliance Directorate at <a href="mailto:abumtaia@cbb.gov.bh">abumtaia@cbb.gov.bh</a> by 14<sup>th</sup> August 2014. Should you have any queries in respect of any matter referred to herein, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Ahmed Bumtaia on Tel: 17 547107.

Yours faithfully,

Rasheed M. Al-Maraj

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Governor