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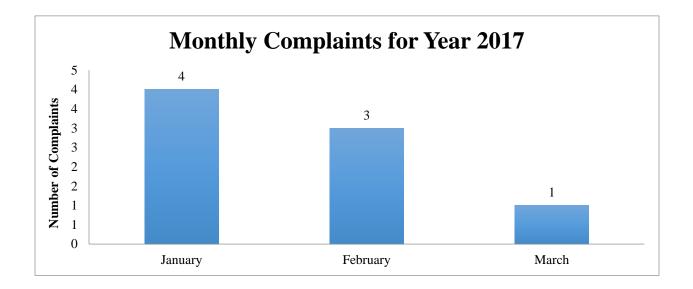
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1. Introduction

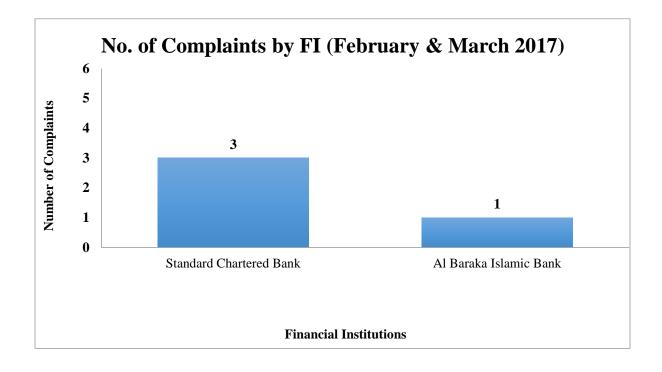
The Compliance Directorate "CD" received 3 complaints in the month of February 2017, and one complaint in the month of March 2017. The following graph illustrates the monthly complaints received from 1^{st} January – 31^{st} March 2017.





2. Concentration of Complaints by Financial Institution (FI)

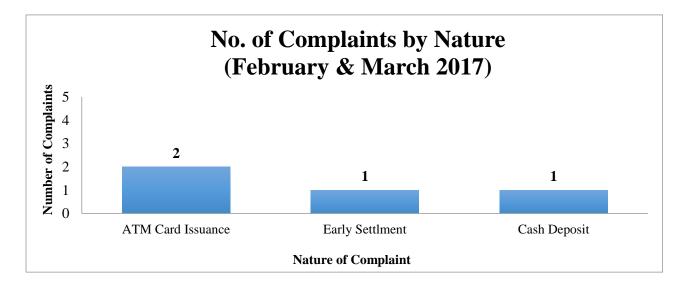
The complaints received in the month of **February and March 2017** were reported with respect to the following financial institutions as illustrated in the graph below:





3. <u>Nature of Complaints</u>

The following chart demonstrates the nature of complaints received by the CD during the months of February & March 2017.



Following are detailed classifications on the nature of complaints:

3.1 ATM Card Issuance:

The CD received 2 complaints (50% of total complaints) regarding refusal of ATM card issuance by the bank to a customer although the customer maintains an existing account with the bank. Complaints regarding ATM card issuance was specific to Standard Chartered Bank.

3.2 Early Settlement:

The CD received 1 complaint (25% of total complaints) regarding the refusal of a bank to grant its customer an early settlement of a loan. Complaint regarding early settlement was specific to Al Baraka Islamic Bank.

3.3 Cash Deposit:

The CD received 1 complaint (25% of total complaints) regarding cash deposited by the customer via an ATM machine and was not reflected in his account balance until 9 days later. Complaint regarding cash deposit was specific to Standard Chartered Bank.



4. <u>Status of Complaints</u>

All the complaints received in February & March 2017 have been resolved.