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Circular Letter to:
*All Licensed Financial Institutions and
Financial Holding Companies Pursuant to the
Financial Institutions Act,*

REF: CB-OIFI-176/2022

**“FIT AND PROPER” SECTION 33(1) AND (2), SECTION 21(8)(B) AND
THE SECOND SCHEDULE OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT, 2008**

The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago (“Central Bank”) reminds each licensee and financial holding company that it should submit to this Office on an annual basis a schedule of all persons who, according to the definitions of the Financial Institutions Act, 2008 (“the Act”), are deemed to be its directors, controlling shareholders, significant shareholders, and officers¹. This schedule should be referenced as at December 31 of each year. A current organisation chart depicting the names, positions, and reporting lines of each officer should also be submitted.

Licensees and financial holding companies are required to indicate on the schedule, whether there are changes to the declared status and information of persons appearing on the schedule and submit updated Personal Questionnaire Declarations (“PQDs”) for those persons as appropriate. The schedule pertaining to December 31, 2021, should be submitted to the Inspector of Financial Institutions no later than January 31, 2022. Soft copies must be submitted electronically to fhardit-singh@central-bank.org.tt.

The Central Bank advises licensees and financial holding companies to take note of the provisions in sections 33(1) and 33(2) of the Act regarding persons who are debarred from management. Section 33(1) debars such persons without the express approval of the Central Bank, and section 33(2) states that persons meeting the criteria in that section shall not be concerned in any way in the management of a licensee or financial holding company.

Finally, the Central Bank reminds licensees and financial holding companies of the requirement that all new appointees to the above-mentioned positions should complete PQD forms and submit same to the Inspector of Financial Institutions within seven (7) days of appointment in accordance with the provisions of section 21(8)(b) of the Act.

Your usual cooperation is anticipated and we ask that you acknowledge receipt of this circular letter by signing, dating and returning a copy.

Yours sincerely

Patrick Solomon

INSPECTOR OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

¹ Refer to Section 2 of the Act for the definitions of controlling shareholder, significant shareholder, and officer.