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**Circular to All Commercial Banks, Credit Institutions and Micro Finance
Deposit Taking Institutions**

BANK OF UGANDA ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING GUIDELINES, 2002

- REPORTING OF SUSPICIOUS TRANSACTIONS

We refer to our circular to all supervised financial institutions Ref. EDS.B.68 dated July 14, 2006 on reporting of suspicious transactions.

Bank of Uganda has noted with concern that despite the directive contained in the above-mentioned circular, a number of supervised financial institutions (SFTs) are still not reporting suspicious transactions as required by the Bank of Uganda Anti-Money Laundering Guidelines, 2002.

Not only does this make it difficult for Bank of Uganda to gather information on these transactions and explore avenues of guarding against the use of the financial system for suspicious transactions, money laundering and other types of fraudulent activities, but it is also evidence of non-compliance with Bank of Uganda prudential guidelines.

You are therefore reminded to file suspicious transaction reports to the Bank of Uganda in accordance with the provisions of Section 18 (1) of the Bank of Uganda Anti-Money Laundering Guidelines, 2002. In case there are no such transactions, you are advised to file a nil return.

In addition to filing the suspicious transaction reports with Bank of Uganda, all SFTs are required to carry out internal investigations into any suspicious

transactions, and where a criminal activity is confirmed by the SFI, to report this to the law enforcement agencies as stipulated in Sections 129 (1) and 130 (1) of the Financial Institutions Act, 2004.

Please take note and ensure compliance with all prudential guidelines at all times.



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