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Procedure for Injection of Paid-Up Share Capital for Insurers

- 1. This Procedure sets out the instructions for injection of Paid-Up Share Capital for all insurers¹.
- 2. Any paid-up capital to be injected into any insurer in Myanmar, i.e. initial and/or subsequent injections, must be sent to the insurer's bank account opened in the Myanma Economic Bank ("MEB").
- 3. All insurers shall ensure that they have sufficient funds denominated in Myanmar Kyat in their MEB account to comply with the Insurance Business Rules. In particular, all insurers shall ensure that, at all times, a sum equal to 10% of its total paid-up capital is deposited in Myanmar Kyat denomination in its account at MEB in order to comply with sub-rule (a) of rule 7 of the Insurance Business Rules. All insurers shall also ensure that, it has sufficient Myanmar Kyat funds in its account at MEB to make any necessary purchase of Government Treasury Bonds in order to comply with sub-rule (b) of rule 7 of the Insurance Business Rules.
- 4. All insurers shall provide written instruction to MEB on any conversion of foreign currency denominated amounts into Myanmar Kyat required to comply with section 3 of this Procedure. All foreign currency exchange will be affected at daily exchange rates issued by the Central Bank of Myanmar.

¹ "Insurers" as used in this procedure refer to all companies that:

i) have been granted a licence for an insurance business; or

ii) have received intimation of being granted a licence for an insurance business upon fulfilment of certain licensing requirements by the Insurance Business Regulatory Board.

- 5. All insurers may write to the Insurance Business Regulatory Board ("IBRB") for approval of withdrawal of funds from their MEB account (domestic and foreign currency), by submitting evidence to the IBRB that they have complied with the Insurance Business Rules. If an insurer wishes to withdraw funds from its MEB account whilst it is in the midst of fulfilment of compliance with the Insurance Business Rules, e.g. pending purchase of Government Treasury Bonds, it shall write to the IBRB for approval by submitting an action plan to demonstrate: i) next steps towards compliance with the Insurance Business Rules; and ii) that any withdrawals from the insurer's MEB account will not impede compliance with the Insurance Business Rules.
- 6. Once IBRB has provided the insurer with an approval for fund withdrawal, the insurer may then present the said approval to MEB, and proceed with fund withdrawal based on the instructions prescribed by MEB.
- 7. This Directive shall take effect on 10th September 2019.

(On behalf of Chairman)

(Zaw Naing)

Secretary

All Insurers

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