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# International Banking Final Rule Relating to International Banking

**Summary:** The FDIC Board of Directors has adopted various amendments and revisions to its international banking rules, effective July 1, 2005. The final rule amends Parts 303, 325, 327 relating to international banking and revises Part 347, Subparts A and B.

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### Highlights:

- The FDIC Board of Directors has adopted various amendments and revisions to its international banking rules, effective July 1, 2005. The final rule amends Parts 303, 325, 327 relating to international banking and revises Part 347, Subparts A and B.
- The availability of general consent for foreign branching and investments by insured state nonmember banks has been expanded.
- The change in ownership of a grandfathered branch, without loss of grandfathered status, has been addressed.
- The information and examination commitments required in connection with deposit insurance applications of U.S. branches of foreign banks have been revised to address deposit insurance applications of depository institution subsidiaries of foreign banks, agents for service, and consent to U.S. jurisdiction by foreign banks.
- The FDIC's relocation rule for existing insured U.S. branches of foreign banks ("grandfathered branches") has been amended to address intrastate and interstate relocations.
- The "fixed" percentage asset pledge requirement for grandfathered branches has been replaced by a risk-focused asset pledge and the list of assets eligible to be pledged has been revised.
- The amendments and revisions contained in the final rule are effective on July 1, 2005.