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Special Alert

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TO: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
SUBJECT: *The Excelsior Bank/The Excelsior Bank International Corp., Barbados,  
West Indies*

The Excelsior Bank/The Excelsior Bank International Corp., an offshore registration in Barbados, West Indies, is soliciting deposits on the Internet. Deposits in The Excelsior Bank/The Excelsior Bank International Corp. are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), nor is the entity authorized, supervised or regulated by any U.S. financial institution regulatory agency. The entity's advertisement indicates it is a Class A Bank and its deposits are insured. Both statements are false and misleading. Anyone considering transactions with this entity should exercise careful due diligence before proceeding.

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