Special Alert

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TO: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SUBJECT: Entities That May Be Conducting Banking Operations in the United States Without Authorization

The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) has advised us that the following entities may be conducting banking business in the United States illegally or without authorization. Proposed transactions involving these entities should be viewed with extreme caution.

Basel Credit & Guaranty Bank, A.G. (Melchizedek) 1912 S. Torrey Pines Dr. Las Vegas, NV Credit Bank International Company (Melchizedek) 1730 K Street, NW, #304 Washington, DC

London Chartered Bank, Ltd. (Melchizedek) 28720 Roadside Drive, Suite 178 Agoura Hills, CA

Sunfirst Trust Co. Ltd. 912 Thousand Oaks Dr. Virginia Beach, VA

Please forward any information concerning these entities to the FDIC's Special Activities Section, 550 17th Street, NW, Room F-6012, Washington, DC 20429.

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