

## SPECIAL ALERT

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## TO: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SUBJECT: Entities That May Be Conducting Banking Operations Without Authorization

The Central Bank of Belize has issued a warning about entities that are not licensed to provide banking and/or financial business in Belize. Any proposed transactions involving **Trinity Savings Bank** and **Goldman & Stein** should be viewed with extreme caution.

Please provide any information about these entities to Central Bank of Belize, P.O. Box 852, Belize City, Belize (telephone number: 501-223-6194; fax number: 501-223-5122; and e-mail address: <u>cbbfssd@btl.net</u>). This information, as well as information on any other unauthorized entities, also may be forwarded to the FDIC's Special Activities Section, 550 17th Street, NW, Room F-6012, Washington, DC 20429, or transmitted electronically to <u>alert@fdic.gov</u>.

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