

## FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL ACT

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TO: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (also of interest to Compliance Officer)

SUBJECT: Cuban Asset Control Regulations

Summary: The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control has updated its list of

approved service providers to Cuba.

On December 19, 2002, the Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) updated its list of authorized providers of air, travel and remittance forwarding services to Cuba from the United States. All of the businesses on the list have been issued licenses to provide U.S. domiciled persons with carrier and travel services, or remittance forwarding services where the final destination of the travel or monies is Cuba. U.S.-based financial institutions are, therefore, permitted to assist approved providers with the transfer of monies, through a third country, to Cuba for the aforementioned purposes. A complete list of authorized service providers is attached.

OFAC has asked that we distribute this information to all insured financial institutions so that they will know for whom and for what purposes they are allowed to assist in providing limited financial services to Cuba. Prior to providing any forwarding services, the institution should obtain for its records a copy of the service provider's OFAC license. Additional information about OFAC-related issues may be found on the Internet at <a href="https://www.treas.gov/offices/enforcement/ofac/">www.treas.gov/offices/enforcement/ofac/</a>.

Please distribute this information to the appropriate personnel in your institution. For further information about Executive Orders or control regulations, please call OFAC's Compliance Programs Division at 1-800-540-6322.

For your reference, FDIC Financial Institution Letters may be accessed from the FDIC's Web site at <a href="www.fdic.gov/news/news/financial/2003/index.html">www.fdic.gov/news/news/financial/2003/index.html</a>. To learn how to automatically receive FDIC Financial Institution Letters through e-mail, please visit <a href="http://www.fdic.gov/news/news/announcements/index.html">http://www.fdic.gov/news/news/announcements/index.html</a>.

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