COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA

ACT NO. 6 OF 2020

I assent



CHARLES A. SAVARIN

President

19th February, 2020

AN ACT TO AMEND THE MONEY LAUNDERING (PREVENTION) ACT, (NO. 8 OF 2011).

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Dominica as follows:

(Gazetted 20th February, 2020.)

1. This Act may be cited as the –

Short title.

MONEY LAUNDERING (PREVENTION) (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2020.

Interpretation.

2. In this Act the Money Laundering (Prevention) Act 2011 is referred to as "the Act".

Amendment of section 2.

- 3. Section 2 of the Act is amended by inserting the following definitions in appropriate alphabetical order:
- "Central Bank" means the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank established under Article 3 of the Agreement establishing the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank made on the 5th July 1983, the text of which is set out in the Schedule to the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank;
- "bank" means any person whose regular business is the carrying on banking business;
- "banking business" has the meaning assigned in the Banking Act, 2015:
- "Banking Supervisory Authority" means the Money Laundering Supervisory Authority of Banks established under section 7(2);

Repeal and replacement of section 7.

4. Section 7 of the Act is repealed and replaced by the following:

"Establish-Laundering Supervisory Authority.

- 7. (1) The Financial Services Unit is established as $\underset{L_{aundering}}{\text{ment of Money}} \ \text{the Money Laundering Supervisory Authority of finance}$ cial institutions and persons carrying on scheduled business.
 - (2) The Central Bank is established as the Money Laundering Supervisory Authority of banks.

Amendment to section 13.

- **5.** Section 13 of the Act is amended by deleting subsection (6) and substituting the following:
 - "13. (6) Pecuniary penalties -

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- (a) imposed and collected under this section, by the Financial Services Unit shall be paid into the Consolidated Fund; and
- (b) imposed and collected under this section, by the Central Bank shall be retained for use by the Central Bank for the purposes of undertaking its functions.".
- **6.** Section 15 of the Act is amended in subsection (1)-

Amendment of section 15

- (a) in paragraph (g) by deleting the word "Revenue." and substituting the word "Revenue;";
- (b) by inserting the words "a representative of the Banking Supervisory Authority" immediately after paragraph (g).
- 7. The Act is amended by inserting the following new section 15A immediately after section 15:

Insertion of new section 15A.

"Application of sections 8. 9, 10, 11 and Supervisory Authority.

- **15A.** Sections 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13 apply with similar effect to the Banking Supervisory Authority in relation 13 to Banking to banks and any reference to financial institutions and persons carrying a scheduled business shall be construed as a reference to banks.".
- 8. The Act is amended by inserting the following new section 15B after the heading "PART IV Anti-Money Laundering Supervision":

Insertion of new section 15B.

15B. For the purposes of this Part, Parts V and VII "Interpretation. "financial institution" means a bank or any person whose regular occupation or business is the carrying on of any activity listed in Part I of the Schedule.".

9. Section 21(1) of the Act is amended –

Amendment of section 21.

- (a) in paragraph (d) by deleting the figure "2008." and substituting the figure "2008;";
- (b) by inserting the following new paragraph immediately after paragraph (d):
 - "(e) the Banking Supervisory Authority carrying out is powers and duties under the Banking Act, 2015.".

Amendment of section 54.

- **10.** Section 54 of the Act is amended by inserting the following new subsection (4) immediately after subsection (3):
- "(4) In this section "Authority" means the authorities established under section 7(1) and (2).".

Amendment of the schedule.

- **11.** The schedule to the Act is amended in Part I by deleting the following:
 - "1. "Banking business" and "financial business" as defined in the Banking Act, 2005.".

Passed in the House of Assembly this 11th day of February, 2020.

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Clerk of the House of Assembly

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