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BANKING (FOREIGN EXCHANGE) REGULATIONS 1959 – SANCTIONS AGAINST BURMA

The Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) has requested that ASX bring the following information to the attention of its Participants across both ASX and SFE markets and facilities.

Following a directive from the Australian Government under the Banking (Foreign Exchange) Regulations 1959, the RBA currently administers financial sanctions against a list of senior members of the Burmese regime and their associates and supporters, such that any transactions involving the transfer of funds or payments to, by the order of, or on behalf of any person listed are prohibited without prior approval from the Reserve Bank.

The RBA has recently advised of amendments to these sanctions in its media release dated 22 October 2008. This document, together with an electronic listing of the amended Annex of names against whom sanctions have been imposed, is available from the RBA's website at the following address:

http://www.rba.gov.au/MediaReleases/2008/mr_08_23.html

Should you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact the RBA's Information Department directly on (02) 9551 9720.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anne Brown', with a horizontal line underneath the name.

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