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To: Chief Executives of all authorized insurers carrying on long term business

Dear Sirs,

Statement on Iran issued by the Financial Action Task Force on Money Laundering

I am writing to inform you that the Financial Action Task Force on Money Laundering ("FATF") issued a statement on 11 October 2007 expressing concern about Iran's lack of a comprehensive anti-money laundering/combating the financing of terrorism ("AML/CFT") regime. FATF urged Iran to address on an urgent basis its AML/CFT deficiencies including those identified in the 2006 International Monetary Fund Article IV Consultation Report for Iran. The statement can be found on the website of **FATF** (http://www.fatf-gafi.org/dataoecd/1/2/39481684.pdf).

You are advised to take the risk arising from the deficiencies in Iran's AML/CFT regime into account for enhanced due diligence.

Should you have any enquiries, please contact Ms. Joanne Lin at 2867 2557 or Mr. Edmond Yau at 2867 3339.

Yours faithfully,

(Ms. Carol M. Y. Hui) for Commissioner of Insurance

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