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CIMA Hosts AML Outreach Session

CIMA hosted the first of its anti-money laundering (AML) outreach sessions for the year. The session took place on 13 September at the Westin Grand Cayman Governor's Ballroom to an audience of approximately 175 bank licensees and regulated trust and corporate service providers (TCSPs).

Presenters from CIMA were Head of Fiduciary Services Supervision Division, Mr. Rohan Bromfield, Banking Supervision Division Senior Analyst, Mr. Paul Onsakia, and Legal Counsel, Mr. Menelik Miller. Other presenters were Mr. RJ Berry and Ms. Kim France from the Cayman Islands Financial Reporting Authority. Topics highlighted the implementation of the National Risk Assessment, high-risk deficiencies businesses should consider during their own on-going monitoring, risk-based best practices, the new administrative fine framework for breaches of the regulatory laws and the AML Regulations, expectations of suspicious activity report (SAR) filing and applicable Targeted Financial Sanctions regimes.

The aim of this outreach session was to provide guidance which would assist banks and trust businesses to become compliant with international standards, and AML and counter financing of terrorism (CFT) laws and regulations.

Echoing this in her opening remarks, Managing Director, Mrs. Cindy Scotland noted that one of CIMA's main priorities is to continue to provide information to each industry so that they may recognise and fix any gaps in their operations as indicated in the Mutual Evaluation Report by the Caribbean Financial Action Task Force. She reassured attendees that CIMA and other local Government agencies are collectively taking steps to improve the regulatory framework. These include issuing the guidance on proliferation financing, assessing various business sectors for their inherent and control risks and CIMA's creation of a specialised AML Division.

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Over the coming months, CIMA seeks to expand its outreach efforts to the wider regulated group of entities, including those based in other jurisdictions. This will be done using topical video presentations as well as other effective means for mass communication. These videos will be housed on CIMA's website and can be used as a resource tool for future educational purposes for licensees and the general public.



Head of FRA, Mr. RJ Berry reiterate expectations of suspicious activity report (SAR) filing.



CIMA Managing Director, Mrs. Cindy Scotland presents opening remarks at CIMA's AML outreach session for Banks & TCSPs.



Panel members provide guidance to assist banks and trust businesses to become compliant with relevant international standards and AML/CFT laws and regulation.

Counterfeit Training for Law Enforcement Recruits



New recruit officers of the Royal Cayman Islands Police Service complete anti-counterfeit training.

Head of our Currency Division, Ms. Deborah Ebanks, in conjunction with the RCIPS Financial Crime Unit (FCU), conducted training for 12 newly recruited CBC officers on 23 August. Participants gained insight into the anti-money laundering/combating the financing of terrorism (AML/CFT) regime, as well as scams being used to target unsuspecting citizens. They also learned about examples of related criminal activity in obtaining personal banking information to defraud persons. Additional presentations were made by UK consultants who were on-hand to assist the RCIPS during their presentations.

The second training took place on 19 September for 23 recruits of the RCIPS class. During both sessions, officers were given an overview of the history of the Cayman Islands (CI) currency, how to identify genuine banknotes as well as the embedded security features. Representatives of FCU gave a similar presentation for the United States (US) banknotes. Additionally, participants were given the opportunity to physically

examine genuine and counterfeit CI and US banknotes.

Both the FCU & CBC are vital partners of CIMA. "Maintaining the integrity of the Cayman Islands currency is everyone's responsibility. With assistance from CBC officers, who are our frontline partners of importing or exporting banknotes, and the RCIPS officers who deal with suspect banknotes reports, together we can prevent any attempt to undermine our banknotes and coins," said Ms. Ebanks.

She added, "These sessions are an integral part of training for our law enforcement recruits and I am pleased that all officers were fully engaged. Based on the feedback received, they now have a better understanding of their role to protect the integrity of our currency and will no doubt become more vigilant in handling CI and US banknotes."



Newly recruit officers of Customs and Border Control seen with CIMA's Head of Currency Division, Ms. Deborah Ebanks and other facilitators of the anti-counterfeit training.

CIMA Hosts FATF TREIN For FS Agencies



Participants of the FATF TREIN Standards Training Course.

From 2-6 September, CIMA hosted the Financial Action Task Force Training and Research Institute (FATF TREIN) Standards Training Course at the Grand Cayman Marriott Beach Resort.

Approximately 50 representatives from CIMA, other domestic anti-money laundering/counter-terrorism financing agencies as well as the Caribbean Financial Action Task Force (CFATF) member countries were in attendance.

The five-day training was designed to enhance participants' understanding of the FATF 40 Recommendations and how to effectively implement them. Main discussions centred around the outcomes of the Mutual Evaluation Report by CFATF.

Others included domestic coordination and information sharing, risk-based supervision, beneficial ownership, money laundering investigations and prosecutions, financial intelligence, proliferation financing, targeted financial sanctions and international cooperation. The training was delivered by representatives and associates of the FATF TREIN.



Presenters kept attendees engaged at the FATF TREIN Standards Training Course.

Risk-Focus Training for CIMA Staff

From 30 September to 3 October, CIMA staff attended a Risk-Focus Supervision & Risk Assessment seminar at The Grand Cayman Marriott Beach Resort. Facilitators were Mr. Robert Walker and Mr. Jose Pignano of the United States Federal Reserve. The seminar focused on a single case which demonstrated the risk-focused approach to assessing and examining a financial institution's credit, market, liquidity, and operational activities.

CIMA staff were able to enhance their analytical and decision-making skills through lectures and group case study work that simulated actual examination activities. Each lecture highlighted the processes and techniques for developing a risk assessment in preparation for creating an examination scope and plan.

The group case study work allowed staff to use critical thinking skills to review institutional data, financial institution documents, previous examination work papers and summary findings to identify. Such activities helped staff



Staff participate in Risk-Focus Supervision & Risk Assessment Seminar at the Grand Cayman Marriott Beach Resort.

to prioritise areas of risk and evaluate risk management processes. Overall, it was a great learning experience for all staff participants.

CIMA Hosts GIFCS Plenary



Members of the Group of International Finance Centre Supervisors participate in a recent plenary meeting held at the Marriott Grand Cayman Beach Resort from 5 - 6 November.

The Authority was the proud host of the plenary meeting for the Group of International Finance Centre Supervisors (GIFCS) from 5 - 6 November at the Grand Cayman Marriott Beach Resort. The group holds two plenary meetings each year and the Cayman Islands was chosen as one of the host

countries for this year. Managing Director, Mrs. Cindy Scotland currently sits as Deputy Chair for GIFCS, alongside Chairman Mr. John Aspden.

This event was held in conjunction with the Financial Services Institute meeting of the Bank for International Settlements, where presenters focused on supervisory technology and crisis management of non-systemic banks. Approximately 30 high-level representatives from various GIFCS member jurisdictions took part in the meetings.

Among them were Head of Policy and Development Division, Mr. Rayford Britton who shared an overview of the regulatory landscape in the Cayman Islands over the last three years. Other members of CIMA's management team were also in attendance.

As part of the meeting activities, delegates were also treated to a welcome reception and farewell dinner. For more information about GIFCS, visit www.gifcs.org

Local Regulators Fight Misuse of AML Regime

Below is an extract from a press release published by the Cayman Islands Government National Communications Team on 14 November.

Government, regulators and the Cayman Islands private sector recently came together to better identify the risks of misusing legal persons and arrangements – such as companies, partnerships and trusts – as Cayman strengthens our fight against money laundering, terrorist financing and the financing of weapons of mass destruction.

About 150 persons attended the Friday, 8 November event, co-sponsored by the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (CIMA) and the Anti-Money Laundering Unit. Five presenters explained the various risks in which Cayman could be misused for financial crime to the audience of lawyers, accountants, realtors, financial institutions, and trust and corporate services providers.

"It's important that as a jurisdiction, we consistently improve our knowledge and understanding of our risks," said Ms. Elisabeth Lees, National Coordinator for Cayman's Anti-Money Laundering Steering Group (AMLSG).

By increasing the knowledge of our risks, Cayman is meeting recommended actions made by the Caribbean Financial Action Task Force in its Mutual Evaluation Report of the Cayman Islands, published in March 2019. Cayman has until February 2020 to make positive and tangible progress toward the recommended actions.



150 attendees engaged in talks about the misuse of legal persons and arrangements at The Ritz-Carlton Grand Cayman on 8 November.

Presenters used typologies – or, case studies – to demonstrate the practical application of Cayman's legal framework for AML/CFT/CPF (anti-money laundering; countering the financing of terrorism; and countering proliferation financing, which also is known as weapons of mass destruction).

Ms Lees said that increasing the private sector's understanding of risks will strengthen our AML/CFT/CPF regime, deter and prevent criminals from abusing Cayman, and improve our local and international reputation.

CIMA's Acting Deputy General Counsel, Mrs. Angelina Partridge also provided a regulatory perspective on the misuse of legal persons.

CIMA Presents at Directors Accreditation Course



Mr. Prabha Namburi



Mr. Paul Onsakia

Held at the Camana Bay Cinema on 26 September, the event provided local directors with the opportunity to consider recent regulatory changes in the Cayman Islands and to better understand the relevant anti-money laundering/combating the financing of terrorism (AML/CFT) compliance obligations. Participants also discussed issues that Cayman directors face regularly.

The purpose of the presentation was to help financial service providers (FSPs) identify, assess, and understand the money laundering and terrorist financing risks to which they are exposed, and learn ways to take the appropriate mitigation measures.

Deputy Head of AML Division, Mrs. Prabha Namburi and Senior Analyst of Banking Supervision Division, Mr. Paul Onsakia gave a valuable presentation on best practices of risk-based approach (RBA) at the Cayman Islands Directors Association's Educational.

Both Mrs. Namburi and Mr. Onsakia shared detailed information about the responsibilities of directors in adopting the RBA. They also focused on thematic deficiencies identified by CIMA in the areas of ongoing monitoring and best practices.

Charity Walk/Run Beneficiaries Awarded

CIMA held its third annual 5K & 10K Charity Walk/Run earlier this year on 26 May in aid of literacy and numeracy needs for local government primary schools. We are pleased to confirm that this year's event raised a total of CI\$22,896.67, surpassing last year's proceeds.

Beneficiaries were: Red Bay Primary, Cayman Islands Behaviour Support Services, Bodden Town Primary, George Town Primary, Edna Moyle Primary, Prospect Primary, East End Primary, Savannah Primary and Sir John A Cumber.

The Authority extends special thanks to its event sponsors: Deloitte (platinum), Insurance Managers Association of Cayman (gold), Maples Group (gold), Cayman Islands Bankers Association (gold), Cayman National Bank (silver), Island Heritage Insurance (bronze), Walkers (bronze) and Cayman Islands Company Managers Association.

Much thanks and appreciation to the local community, participants, staff organisers, volunteers and other supporting companies for continuously contributing to this annual event.



CIMA's Managing Director, Mrs. Cindy Scotland (center), Deputy Managing Director – Operations, Mr. Patrick Bodden (fourth from right) and Head of Currency Division, Ms. Deborah Ebanks (far right) present donation cheque to representatives of Sir John A Cumber and George Town Primary School. Also pictured are representatives of event top sponsors: Deloitte, Maples and Cayman Islands Bankers Association.

Missing are: Red Bay Primary, Cayman Islands Behaviour Support Services, Bodden Town Primary, Edna Moyle Primary, Prospect Primary, East End Primary and Savannah Primary.

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QUARTERLY STATISTICS

NUMBER OF ENTITIES LICENSED/REGISTERED & CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION AS OF 30 SEPTEMBER 2019

BANKING & TRUST

Banks	132
Category A	10
Category B	122
Nominee Trust	21
Controlled Subsidiaries	7
Money Service Providers	5
Building Societies, Cooperative Societies, Development Banks	4

INVESTMENTS

Mutual Funds	10,937
Registered	7,656
Administered	295
Licensed	67
Master Funds	2,919
Mutual Fund Administrators	85
Full	73
Restricted	11
Exempted	1

SECURITIES

Securities Investment Business Law (SIBL) Licensees	36
Excluded Persons Under SIBL	2,367

FIDUCIARY SERVICES

Trust Companies	144
Unrestricted Trusts	57
Restricted Trusts	58
Nominee Trusts	29
Registered Private Trust Companies	131
Registered Controlled Subsidiaries of Trust Companies	47
Companies Management	120
Corporate Services Providers	24

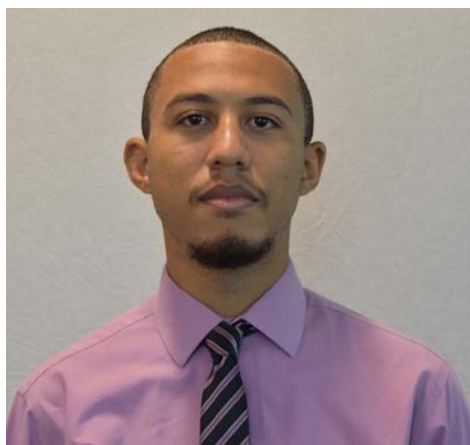
INSURANCE

Insurance Companies	681
Class A	26
Class B	628
Class C	22
Class D	5
Insurance Managers	25
Insurance Brokers	24
Insurance Agents	45

CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION

Total Currency	CI\$ 122m
Notes	CI\$ 109.7m
Coins	CI\$ 12.6m
CI\$1.00 = US\$1.20; m = million	

New Project Assistants in Securities



On 7 October, [Mr. Jared Greene](#) joined the Authority as a Project Assistant in the Securities Supervision Division.

Mr. Greene is a recent high school graduate and is now a student at the University College of the Cayman Islands where he is pursuing an Associates of Science Degree in Computer Science.

While here with us, Mr. Greene

will be working on the Excluded Persons Renewal Re-Registration project and is looking forward to learning more about the financial services industry.

[Ms. Karlene Williams](#) also joined the Authority on 7 October as a Project Assistant in the Securities Supervision Division.

Ms. Williams holds an Associate's degree in Business Administration from the University College of the Cayman Islands.

With 15 years of experience in the financial services industry, Ms. Williams brings an array of knowledge to her post. Prior to joining CIMA, Ms. Williams was employed with MUFG Investor Services Cayman as a Fund Administrator-Investor Operations.

Her duties included managing a portfolio of funds which included timely entry of shareholders transactions such as redemptions, subscriptions, transfers and switches.

In her new capacity, Ms. Williams is responsible for updating the CIMA reporting system database, conducting world checks on all directors, shareholders and senior officers affiliated with registrants and requesting any outstanding documentation as it relates to the Excluded Persons application.



Senior Analyst for Insurance



Mrs. Majorie Mendoza also joined on 7 October as a Senior Analyst in the Insurance Supervision Division.

Mrs. Mendoza attended Saint Mary's University in Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya and is a Certified Public Accountant. She also has nine years of experience in the insurance industry.

In her new role at CIMA, she is responsible for monitoring an assigned portfolio of licensees. Other tasks include gathering

and analysing reports from licensees and verifying their financial condition, capital adequacy and other information.

Prior to joining CIMA, Mrs. Mendoza was an Audit Manager with EisnerAmper Cayman Ltd.

New Administrative Assistant in Investment



On 4 November, Ms. Chelsie Watler joined CIMA as an Administrative Assistant in the Investments Supervision Division.

Prior to this, Ms. Watler worked at Paget Brown Trust Company as a general office assistant/trainee administrator.

In her new role, Ms. Watler is primarily responsible for organising and maintaining all records in the division while

performing other administrative duties.

She holds a Companies Administration and P.R.I.D.E Customer Service certificate from The Cayman Islands Bankers' Association. In the future, she plans to pursue an Associate's degree in Business Administration from the University of the Cayman Islands.

New Systems Programmer

On 4 November, the Authority welcomed Mr. Orrett Gayle as a Systems Programmer Analyst in the Information Systems Division.

In this role, he is responsible for the design, development, testing, implementation and documentation of bespoke applications, as well as the modification, enhancement and support of the existing applications and commercial packages.

Mr. Gayle holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University

of the West Indies. He is currently working towards a Master's in Computer Science.

Mr. Gayle also earned several professional certifications including a Sun Certified Java Programmer (SCJP) and Linux+.



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Senior Analyst in Insurance

Ms. Ronela Pagayona joined the Authority on 28 October as a Senior Analyst in the Insurance Supervision Division.

Her main duties at CIMA include monitoring an assigned portfolio of licenses and participating in a risk-focused on-site inspections, as well as providing guidance and overseeing the work of a team of Analysts.

Ms. Pagayona brings over eight years of experience in captive insurance management, having spent five years

in Bermuda as a Finance Manager, and more than three years as a Senior Insurance Accountant at a Cayman-based insurance firm.

She holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accountancy and is a Certified Public Accountant.



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