

## Procedure Issuing Notices of Decisions to Declined Applicants

## 1. Statement of Objectives

To set out and establish the procedures that the Authority will follow in issuing Notices of Decisions where the application for a licence or of a person applying to act as a director, shareholder, manager, senior officer and controller of a licensee has been declined. This procedure is consistent with the need for transparency and fairness on the part of the Authority, consistent with Section 6(3)(f) of the Monetary Authority Law.

- 2. Application
  - 2.1 Where the Authority declines the application for a licence or of a person applying to act as a director, shareholder, manager, senior officer and controller of a licensed entity, no Warning Notice will be sent.
  - 2.2 The purpose of issuing Notices of Decisions to declined applicants is to provide the applicant with the reasons for the decision reached.
  - 2.3 Once the Authority has determined that a Notice of Decision is to be issued, such notice will:
    - (i) Be in writing;
    - (ii) State the decision taken by the Authority;



- (iii) State the Authority's reasons to take the action to which the Decision Notice relates;
- (iii) State the date the Authority's decision is effective.
- 2.4 There may be circumstances in which the Authority is unable to or determines it is inappropriate to disclose the reasons for the decision. Such situations would include:
  - Information between the Authority and its professional legal advisor;
  - Information which a court has directed is not to be disclosed;
  - Information indicating knowledge or suspicion that the Applicant or another person is engaged in money laundering or terrorist financing activity;
  - Information received from a regulatory or law enforcement authority;
  - Information received on a confidential basis;
  - Where the disclosure of information could adversely affect the national interest, including the national security, of the Cayman Islands; or,
  - Where it is in the public interest to do so.

In these exceptional circumstances, the decision not to disclose the reasons will be approved by the Board of the Authority.

- 2.5 The Authority will send the Notice of Decision to:
  - (i) The Applicant;
  - (ii) The licensee/proposed licensee;
  - (iii) The person who is acting for the licensee/Applicant.



- 2.6 The Notice of Decision is final, subject to any statutory right to apply for reconsideration or appeal.
- 2.7 A sample Notice of Decision is attached as Appendix 1.



## Appendix 1

Date:

To: [Firm or other person]

Of: [Address]

## **NOTICE OF DECISION**

TAKE NOTICE: The Cayman Islands Monetary Authority of 80e Shedden Road, Elizabethan Square, P.O. Box 10052 APO, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, BWI (the "Authority") has decided to take the following action.

ACTION

[Details of action]

REASONS

[Reasons for the Authority's decision to take the action]

EFFECTIVE DATE OF DECISION

The Authority's decision regarding the above action is effective [date].

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