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Circular N° SBP-DR-0123-2019

General Manager

Subject: Superintendent's Report for the 2015 – 2019
period

Dear General Manager:

As the regulatory and supervisory body of the International Banking Center, we have been fully responsible and determined in our commitment to consolidate Panama as a regulated banking and financial center pursuant to the highest standards of the Basel Committee of Banking Supervision and the International Financial Action Task Force.

We are satisfied; we have made great advances. The most important [achievement] is that we strengthened our institution's and the banking sector's regulations and transparency, resulting in reinforcing the **trust** of correspondent banks, risk rating agencies and regulatory bodies. Furthermore, the experience obtained and the challenges overcome led us down the path to better supervision aimed at strengthening financial stability and positioning our country as one of the most important markets of Latin America.

We wish to reiterate our commitment to protecting our depositors and investors, and we take the opportunity to thank the Panama Banking Association for its significant contribution during the whole process.

As Superintendency of Banks of Panama, we are committed to continuing to work on updating our regulatory framework according to the highest international standards, in order to maintain a modern, secure, competitive, transparent and world-class banking center.

We are pleased to share with all of you an executive summary of the greatest accomplishments of our administration, which you may find posted on our website.

Best regards,

Ricardo G. Fernández D.
Superintendent

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