

Republic of Panama
Superintendency of Banks of Panama

RESOLUTION SBP-PSO-R-2023-01351
18th October 2023

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF BANKS,
In exercise of his legal powers, and

WHEREAS:

By means of Law 23 dated 27th April 2015, amended by Law 21 dated 10th May 2017, the measures to prevent money laundering, the financing of terrorism and the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction were adopted.

Article 22 of Law 23 dated 27th April 2015, amended by Article 123 of Law 21 dated 10th May 2017, provides that exchange bureaus, in any of their forms, whether by physical delivery or the purchase of future contracts, whether or not it is their main activity, will be supervised and regulated by the Superintendency of Banks on matters related to the prevention of money laundering, the financing of terrorism and the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction as part of financial reporting entities, among others;

By means of Rule 2-2018 dated 21st August 2018, regarding the prevention for Other Financial Reporting Entities, the requirements and the registration process were established for exchange bureaus at the Superintendency of Banks on matters related to the prevention of money laundering, the financing of terrorism and the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and the execution of a Registration Certificate as a Financial Reporting Entity.

Article 2 of Rule 2-2018 dated 21st August 2018, concerning Prevention matters for Other Financial Reporting Entities establishes that exchange bureaus must be registered at the Superintendency of Banks as financial reporting entities to comply with the provisions of Law 23 of 2015 adopting the measures to prevent money laundering, the financing of terrorism and the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

Article 4 of Rule No. 2-2018 dated 21st August 2018 regarding Prevention for Other Financial Reporting Entities sets forth the requirements exchange bureaus must comply with to be registered as Financial Reporting Entities at the Superintendency of Banks.

Article 11 of Rule 2-2018 dated 21st August 2018 regarding Prevention for Other Financial Reporting Entities establishes that exchange bureaus currently in operation will have up to one hundred twenty (120) days from the enactment of the Rule to start the registration process at the Superintendency of Banks.

MASTER EXCHANGE, CORP., is a company duly organized and incorporated in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Panama, registered in the Public Registry on Folio 155720829 of the Commercial Section, with Operation Notice No. 155720829-2-2022-2023-574322699, dated 13th February 2023, issued by the Ministry of Commerce, whose activity is, exchange bureau, among others.

MASTER EXCHANGE, CORP., through a special power-of-attorney and in compliance with the provisions of the Prevention Agreement for Other Financial Reporting Entities No. 2-2018 dated 21st August 2018, requested this Superintendency of Banks for authorization to register as a Financial Reporting Entity.

After the relevant analysis and evaluation, the request submitted by **MASTER EXCHANGE, CORP.** raises no objections.

Pursuant to Article 20 of Law 23 dated 27th April 2015, the Superintendent of Banks is the approving authority for requests such as this one.

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RESOLVES:

SOLE ARTICLE: To execute this Resolution that enacts the registration of the company **MASTER EXCHANGE, CORP.** as an exchange bureau, consequently, an obligated financial entity regulated by the Superintendency of banks on matters related to the prevention of money laundering, the financing of terrorism and the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. For identification and reporting purposes, it is assigned the following code number: **CACAM-021**

LEGAL GROUNDS: Law No. 23 dated 27th April 2015, modified by Law 21 dated 10th May 2017, Rule No. 2-2018 dated 21st August 2018 for Prevention for Other Financial Reporting Entities.

Given in Panama City this eighteenth (18th) day of October, twenty twenty-three (2023).

FOR COMMUNICATION, PUBLICATION AND ENFORCEMENT.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF BANKS,



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